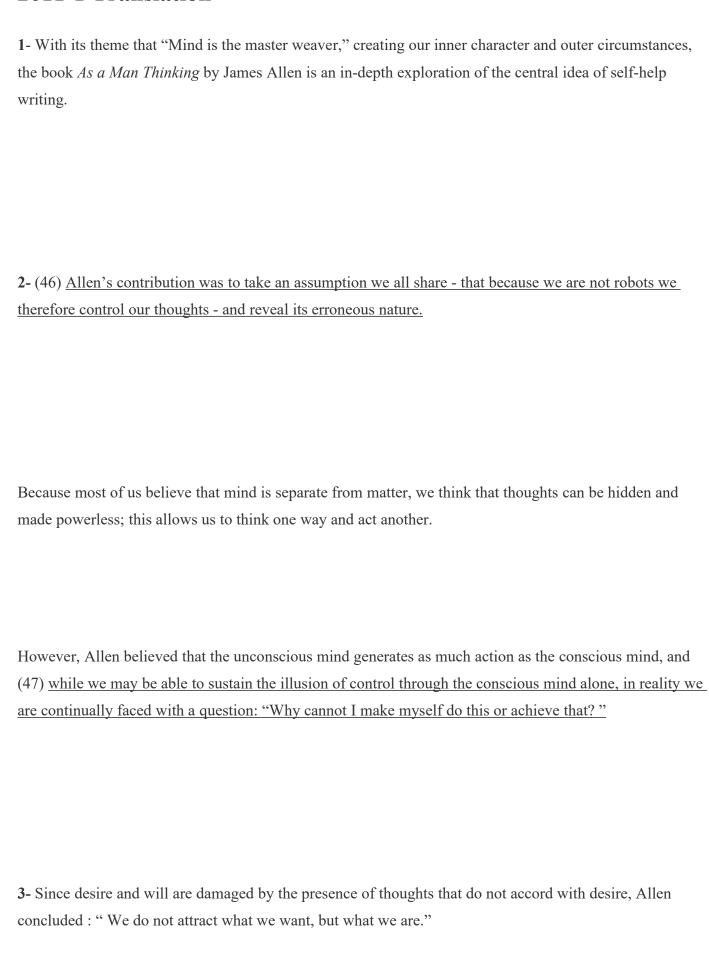
## 2011-1 Translation



Achievement happens because you as a person embody the external achievement; you don't "get" success but become it.
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4- Part of the fame of Allen's book is its contention that "Circumstances do not make a person, they reveal him."
(48) This seems a justification for neglect of those in need, and a rationalization of exploitation, of the superiority of those at the top and the inferiority of those at the bottom.
5- This, however, would be a knee-jerk reaction to a subtle argument.
Each set of circumstances, however bad, offers a unique opportunity for growth.
If circumstances always determined the life and prospects of people, then humanity would never have progressed.

In fact, (49) <u>circumstances seem to be designed to bring out the best in us and if we feel that we have been</u>
"wronged" then we are unlikely to begin a conscious effort to escape from our situation.
Nevertheless, as any biographer knows, a person's early life and its conditions are often the greatest gift to
an individual.
6- The sobering aspect of Allen's book is that we have no one else to blame for our present condition
except ourselves.
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