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―KEVIN KRUSE

*New York Times* Bestselling Author

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YOUR DAILY DOSE OF INSPIRATION

Would you like a daily “vitamin” that inspires you and motivates you to greatness?

I can remember clearly how scared I was the first day I started my business when nothing was certain. I was alone and literally started my company with just a phone, a cheap laptop, a credit card and a copy of Tony Robbins’ *Unlimited Power* on my desk.

Whenever I needed a dose of motivation–which was frequent in the early days–I would randomly open to a page in Tony Robbins’ book and read a sentence or two. Five years later I sold that business for almost two million dollars. And to this day I remember those Robbins’ quotes.

Later, I decided to fulfill my dream of being an author. Staring at a blank page is hard. Pushing through frequent writer’s block is harder. I would once again read quotes on creativity and perseverance from famous authors to push my way through. I was fortunate and eventually my book on leadership became a *New York Times* bestseller.

Today, quotes help motivate me to live healthy, to be an effective leader, to be mindful and to always have an “attitude of gratitude.”

I wish I could guarantee that this book will make you rich, skinny and happy. But you know I can’t do that.

All I can offer is the condensed wisdom of some of history’s greatest, most successful people. I still turn to their advice for encouragement myself. Whether or not you’ll take the inspiration from these words and turn it into action…well, that will be up to you.

* Kevin Kruse

*New York Times* Bestselling Author

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BEST 365 QUOTATIONS

*Your time is limited,*

*so don’t waste it*

*living someone else’s life.*

–**Steve Jobs**

2

I believe that the only courage anybody ever needs is the courage to follow

your own dreams.

–**Oprah Winfrey**

3

I’ve missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I’ve lost almost 300 games. 26 times I’ve been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I’ve failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.

–**Michael Jordan**

4

Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery.

Today is a gift.

That’s why it’s called the present.

–**Unknown**

5

Don't wait. The time will never be just right.

–**Napoleon Hill**

6

*Life isn’t about getting*

*and having,*

*it’s about giving and being.*

–**Kevin Kruse**

7

If you can dream it, you can achieve it.

–**Zig Ziglar**

8

How am I going to live today in order to create the tomorrow I'm

committed to?

–**Anthony Robbins**

9

Too many of us are not living our dreams

because we are living our fears.

–**Les Brown**

10

Build your own dreams,

or someone else will hire you to build theirs.

–**Farrah Gray**

11

*I’ve learned that people will*

*forget what you said,*

*people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.*

–**Maya Angelou**

12

Life is 10% what happens to me

and 90% of how I react to it.

–**Charles Swindoll**

13

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have

imagined.

–**Henry David Thoreau**

14

Life is what happens to you

while you’re busy making other plans.

–**John Lennon**

15

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.

–**Chinese Proverb**

16

Whatever the mind of man can conceive

and believe, it can achieve.

–**Napoleon Hill**

17

Dream big and dare to fail.

–**Norman Vaughan**

18

If you want to lift yourself up,

lift up someone else.

–**Booker T. Washington**

19

A good plan violently executed now is better than a perfect plan executed

next week.

–**George Patton**

20

*Two roads diverged in a wood,*

*and I–I took the one less traveled by, And that has*

*made*

*all the difference.*

–**Robert Frost**

21

A journey of a thousand miles must begin

with a single step.

–**Lao Tzu**

22

What would you do if you weren't afraid?

–**Spencer Johnson**

23

Become the kind of leader that people

would follow voluntarily;

even if you had no title or position.

–**Brian Tracy**

24

A goal without a plan is just a wish.

–**Larry Elder**

25

*Twenty years from now you will be more*

*disappointed by the things that you didn’t do than by*

*the ones you did do, so throw off the bowlines, sail*

*away from safe harbor, catch the trade winds in your*

*sails. Explore, Dream,*

*Discover.*

–**Mark Twain**

26

A leader is best when people barely know he

exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say: we did it

ourselves.

–**Lao Tzu**

27

A man who dares to waste one hour of life

has not discovered the value of life.

–**Charles Darwin**

28

A person who never made a mistake

never tried anything new.

–**Albert Einstein**

29

A truly rich man is one whose children run into his arms when his hands are

empty.

–**Unknown**

30

A true leader has the confidence to stand alone, the courage to make tough decisions, and the compassion to listen to the needs of others. –**Douglas MacArthur**

31

All the forces in the world are not so powerful

as an idea whose time has come.

–**Victor Hugo**

32

Anyone can hold the helm when the sea is calm.

–**Publilius Syrus**

33

A goal is not always meant to be reached;

it often serves simply as something to aim at.

–**Bruce Lee**

34

Definiteness of purpose

is the starting point of all achievement.

–**W. Clement Stone**

35

Fall seven times and stand up eight.

–**Japanese Proverb**

36

If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to

live the life he has imagined, he will meet with a

success unexpected in common hours.

–**Henry Thoreau**

37

Goals are dreams with deadlines.

–**Diana Scharf Hunt**

38

I am not a product of my circumstances.

I am a product of my decisions.

–**Stephen Covey**

39

I cannot give you the formula for success, but I can give you the formula

for failure, which is: Try to please everybody.

–**Herbert Swope**

40

I recommend to you to take care of the minutes; for hours will take care of

themselves.

–**Lord Chesterfield**

41

If you’re offered a seat on a rocket ship,

don’t ask what seat! Just get on.

–**Sheryl Sandberg**

42

Impossible is a word to be found

only in the dictionary of fools.

–**Napoleon Bonaparte**

43

The only way to do great work

is to love what you do.

–**Steve Jobs**

44

It is better to have lived one day as a tiger

than a thousand years as a sheep.

–**Tibetan saying**

45

It’s not the years in your life that count.

It’s the life in your years.

–**Abraham Lincoln**

46

*My interest in life comes from*

*setting myself huge, apparently unachievable*

*challenges and*

*trying to rise above them.*

–**Richard Branson**

47

Lead me, follow me, or get out of my way.

–**General George Patton**

48

Money is a wonderful thing,

but it is possible to pay too high a price for it.

–**Alexander Bloch**

49

If you’re going through hell, keep going!

–**Winston Churchill**

50

Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss,

you'll land among the stars.

–**Les Brown**

51

*Life is not measured by the*

*number of breaths we take, but by the moments that*

*take*

*our breath away.*

–**Maya Angelou**

52

Not the cry, but the flight of a wild duck,

leads the flock to fly and follow.

–**Chinese Proverb**

53

Strive not to be a success,

but rather to be of value.

–**Albert Einstein**

54

Take care of the minutes and the hours

will take care of themselves.

–**Lord Chesterfield**

55

The greatest dreams are always unrealistic.

–**Will Smith**

56

The mind is everything.

What you think you become.

–**Buddha**

57

The question isn’t who is going to let me;

it’s who is going to stop me.

–**Ayn Rand**

58

The two most important days in your life

are the day you are born

and the day you find out why.

–**Mark Twain**

59

There are no traffic jams along the extra mile.

–**Roger Staubach**

60

There is nothing so useless as doing efficiently that which should not be

done at all.

–**Peter Drucker**

61

There is only one way to avoid criticism:

do nothing, say nothing, and be nothing.

–**Aristotle**

62

Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful lest you let other people spend it for you.

–**Carl Sandburg**

63

We become what we think about.

–**Earl Nightingale**

64

What’s money? A man is a success if he gets up in the morning and goes to bed at night and in between does what he wants to do. –**Bob Dylan**

65

Whatever you are, be a good one.

–**Abraham Lincoln**

66

Whatever you can do, or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius,

power and magic in it.

–**Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

67

Where there is no vision, the people perish.

–**Proverbs 29:18**

68

*When I was 5 years old, my mother always told me that*

*happiness was the key to life. When I went to school, they asked me what I wanted to be when I grew up. I wrote down ‘happy’. They told me I didn’t understand the assignment, and I told them they didn’t understand life.*

–**John Lennon**

69

Whether you think you can

or you think you can’t, you’re right.

–**Henry Ford**

70

You become what you believe.

–**Oprah Winfrey**

71

You miss 100% of the shots you don’t take.

–**Wayne Gretzky**

72

You will never find time for anything.

If you want time you must make it.

–**Charles Buxton**

73

Change your thoughts and you

change your world.

–**Norman Vincent Peale**

74

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, concerned citizens can change world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has. –**Margaret Mead**

75

Neither success nor failure are ever final.

–**Roger Babson**

76

You are not defined by your past.

You are prepared by your past.

–**Joel Osteen**

77

Always do what you are afraid to do.

–**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

78

We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come

as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather recognizing and

appreciating

what we do have.

–**Friedrich Koenig**

79

Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today

and make

a new ending.

–**Maria Robinson**

80

Seek opportunity, not security.

A boat in a harbor is safe, but in time

its bottom will rot out.

–**H. Jackson Brown Jr**.

81

Don't worry about failure;

you only have to be right once.

–**Drew Houston**

82

I must follow the people.

Am I not their leader?

–**Benjamin Disraeli**

83

If you want to be happy,

set a goal that commands your thoughts,

liberates your energy and inspires your hopes.

–**Andrew Carnegie**

84

People buy into the leader

before they buy into the vision.

–**John Maxwell**

85

*Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you*

*come alive, and go do it. Because what the world*

*needs is people who*

*have come alive.*

–**Howard Thurman**

86

The art of leadership is saying no,

not saying yes. It is very easy to say yes.

–**Tony Blair**

87

To command is to serve,

nothing more and nothing less.

–**Andre Malraux**

88

We are too busy mopping the floor

to turn off the faucet.

–**Unknown**

89

What you do has far greater impact

than what you say.

–**Stephen Covey**

90

You manage things; you lead people.

–**Rear Admiral Grace Murray Hopper**

91

A day wasted on others

is not wasted on one’s self.

–**Charles Dickens**

92

A good leader is a person who takes a little more than his share of the blame and a little less than his share of the credit. –**John C. Maxwell**

93

A leader is a dealer in hope.

–**Napoleon Bonaparte**

94

A leader is one who knows the way,

goes the way, and shows the way.

–**John C. Maxwell**

95

A leader takes people where they want to go.

A great leader takes people where they don’t necessarily want to go, but

ought to be.

–**Rosalynn Carter**

96

A man who wants to lead the orchestra

must turn his back on the crowd.

–**Max Lucado**

97

All great achievements require time.

–**Maya Angelou**

98

All successful people have a goal. No one can get anywhere unless he knows where he wants to go and what he wants to be or do. –**Norman Vincent Peale**

99

All that really belongs to us is time;

even he who has nothing else has that.

–**Baltasar Gracián**

100

All the flowers of all of the tomorrows

are in the seeds of today.

–**Chinese Proverb**

101

An unexamined life is not worth living.

–**Socrates**

102

Arise, awake, stop not until

your goal is achieved.

–**Swami Vivekananda**

103

An average person with average talents

and ambition and average education, can outstrip the most brilliant genius in our society, if that person has clear, focused goals. –**Mary Kay Ash**

104

Arriving at one goal

is the starting point to another.

–**John Dewey**

105

Ask and it will be given to you;

search, and you will find;

knock and the door will be opened for you.

–**Jesus**

106

Be mindful of how you approach time.

Watching the clock is not the same

as watching the sun rise.

–**Sophia Bedford–Pierce**

107

Before you are a leader, success is all about growing yourself. When you become a leader, success is all about growing others. –**Jack Welch**

108

Believe you can and you’re halfway there.

–**Theodore Roosevelt**

109

Certain things catch your eye,

but pursue only those that capture the heart.

–**Ancient Indian Proverb**

110

Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what

makes life meaningful.

–**Joshua J. Marine**

111

Destiny is no matter of chance. It is a matter of choice. It is not a thing to be

waited for;

it is a thing to be achieved.

–**William Jennings Bryan**

112

Discipline is the bridge between

goals and accomplishment.

–**Jim Rohn**

113

Do not confuse motion and progress.

A rocking horse keeps moving but does not make any progress.

–**Alfred A. Montapert**

114

Do not dwell in the past, do not dream of the

future, concentrate the mind on the

present moment.

–**Buddha**

115

Do what you can, where you are,

with what you have.

–**Teddy Roosevelt**

116

Do what you feel in your heart to be right–for you’ll be criticized anyway.

–**Eleanor Roosevelt**

117

Don’t be fooled by the calendar.

There are only as many days in the year as you make use of. One man gets only a week’s value out of a year while another man gets a full year’s value out of a week.

–**Charles Richards**

118

Don’t be stomping on ants when

you have elephants to feed.

–**Peter Turla**

119

Don’t spend a dollar’s worth of time

on a ten-cent decision.

–**Peter Turla**

120

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that’s the stuff that life

is made of.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

121

Dreaming, after all, is a form of planning.

–**Gloria Steinem**

122

*Every child is an artist.*

*The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows*

*up.*

–**Pablo Picasso**

123

Education costs money.

But then so does ignorance.

–**Sir Claus Moser**

124

Eighty percent of success is showing up.

–**Woody Allen**

125

Either write something worth reading

or do something worth writing.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

126

Earn your leadership every day.

–**Michael Jordan**

127

Either you run the day, or the day runs you.

–**Jim Rohn**

128

I am endlessly fascinated that playing football

is considered a training ground for leadership, but raising children isn’t.

–**Dee Dee Myers**

129

Every strike brings me closer

to the next home run.

–**Babe Ruth**

130

Everything you’ve ever wanted

is on the other side of fear.

–**George Adair**

131

Fear melts when you take action

towards a goal you really want.

–**Robert Allen**

132

Great leaders are not defined by the absence

of weakness, but rather by the presence

of clear strengths.

–**John Zenger**

133

Half our life is spent trying to find something to do with the time we have rushed through life trying to save.

–**Will Rogers**

134

Happiness is not something readymade.

It comes from your own actions.

–**Dalai Lama**

135

He who has great power should use it lightly.

–**Seneca**

136

He who has never learned to obey

cannot be a good commander.

–**Aristotle**

137

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait

a single moment before starting to

improve the world.

–**Anne Frank**

138

I am looking for a lot of men

who have an infinite capacity to

not know what can't be done.

–**Henry Ford**

139

I didn’t fail the test.

I just found 100 ways to do it wrong.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

140

I have learned over the years that when one’s mind is made up, this

diminishes fear.

–**Rosa Parks**

141

I start with the premise that the function of

leadership is to produce more leaders,

not more followers.

–**Ralph Nader**

142

I would rather die of passion than of boredom.

–**Vincent van Gogh**

143

The purpose of our lives is to be happy.

–**Dalai Lama**

144

If one is lucky, a solitary fantasy can totally transform one million realities.

–**Maya Angelou**

145

If you aim at nothing, you will hit it every time.

–**Zig Ziglar**

146

If you do what you’ve always done,

you’ll get what you’ve always gotten.

–**Tony Robbins**

147

If you hear a voice within you say “you cannot paint,” then by all means

paint and

that voice will be silenced.

–**Vincent Van Gogh**

148

If you look at what you have in life,

you’ll always have more. If you look at what you don’t have in life, you’ll

never have enough.

–**Oprah Winfrey**

149

If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and

become more,

you are a leader.

–**John Quincy Adams**

150

In matters of style, swim with the current; in matters of principle, stand like a rock. –**Thomas Jefferson**

151

Live fully. Love openly. Make a difference.

–**Brendan Burchard**

152

In truth, people can generally make time for what they choose to do; it is

not really the time but the will that is lacking.

–**Sir John Lubbock**

153

It doesn't matter where you are coming from.

All that matters is where you are going.

–**Brian Tracy**

154

It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end. –**Ernest Hemingway**

155

It’s better to do the right thing slowly

than the wrong thing quickly.

–**Peter Turla**

156

Know the true value of time; snatch, seize, and enjoy every moment of it.

No idleness, no

laziness, no procrastination; Never put off

till tomorrow what you can do today.

–**Lord Chesterfield**

157

Know your limits, but never stop

trying to exceed them.

–**Unknown**

158

Lead and inspire people. Don’t try to manage and manipulate people.

Inventories can be

managed but people must be lead.

–**Ross Perot**

159

Leaders aren’t born, they are made.

And they are made just like anything else, through hard work. And that’s

the price we’ll have to pay to achieve that goal, or any goal.

–**Vince Lombardi**

160

Nothing is a waste of time

if you use the experience wisely.

–**Rodin**

161

Leadership does not always wear

the harness of compromise.

–**Woodrow Wilson**

162

Nothing is impossible, the word itself says,

“I’m possible!”

–**Audrey Hepburn**

163

Leadership is the art of getting someone else

to do something you want done

because he wants to do it.

–**General Dwight Eisenhower**

164

Living without an aim is like

sailing without a compass.

–**Alexander Dumas**

165

Money, I can only gain or lose. But time I can only lose. So, I must spend it

carefully.

–**Unknown**

166

Leadership is the capacity

to translate vision into reality.

–**Warren Bennis**

167

*My responsibility is getting all my players playing for the name on the front of the jersey, not the one on the back.*

–**Unknown**

168

Leadership is the key to 99 percent of

all successful efforts.

–**Erskine Bowles**

169

Life shrinks or expands

in proportion to one’s courage.

–**Anais Nin**

170

Leadership is unlocking people’s

potential to become better.

–**Bill Bradley**

171

Live each day as if it be your last.

–**Marcus Aurelius**

172

Lost time is never found again.

–**Proverb**

173

Map out your future, but do it in pencil.

–**Jon Bon Jovi**

174

Men make history and not the other way around. In periods where there is

no leadership, society stands still. Progress occurs when courageous, skillful leaders seize the opportunity to change things for the better.

–**Harry S. Truman**

175

Nothing is ours except time.

–**Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

176

Obstacles are those frightful things you see

when you take your eyes off your goal.

–**Henry Ford**

177

Of course I'm ambitious. What's wrong with that? Otherwise you sleep all

day.

–**Ringo Starr**

178

One of the secrets of life is to make stepping-stones out of stumbling

blocks.

–**Jack Penn**

179

Our lives begin to end the day we become

silent about things that matter.

–**Martin Luther King Jr.**

180

Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke

of luck.

–**Dalai Lama**

181

Start where you are. Use what you have.

Do what you can.

–**Arthur Ashe**

182

The best revenge is massive success.

–**Frank Sinatra**

183

The distance between insanity and genius is measured only by success.

–**Bruce Feirstein**

184

The first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say

thank you. In between, the leader is a servant.

–**Max DePree**

185

The key is in not spending time,

but in investing it.

–**Stephen R. Covey**

186

The most common way people give up their power is by thinking they don’t

have any.

–**Alice Walker**

187

The person who says it cannot be done should not interrupt the person who

is doing it.

–**Chinese Proverb**

188

The supreme quality of leadership

is integrity.

–**Dwight Eisenhower**

189

Time is money.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

190

Time is what we want most,

but what we use worst.

–**William Penn**

191

Try not. Do or do not. There is no try.

–**Yoda**

192

Until thought is linked with purpose

there is no intelligent accomplishment.

–**James Allen**

193

Until we can manage time,

we can manage nothing else.

–**Peter Drucker**

194

Until you value yourself, you will not value

your time. Until you value your time,

you will not do anything with it.

–**M. Scott Peck**

195

Vision without action is a daydream.

Action without vision is a nightmare.

–**Japanese Proverb**

196

*There is no such thing as failure.*

*You either succeed or learn.*

–**Kevin Kruse**

197

We can easily forgive a child who is afraid of the dark; the real tragedy of

life is

when men are afraid of the light.

–**Plato**

198

We can no more afford to spend major time

on minor things than we can to spend

minor time on major things.

–**Jim Rohn**

199

When I stand before God at the end of my life,

I would hope that I would not have

a single bit of talent left and could say,

I used everything you gave me.

–**Erma Bombeck**

200

You can never cross the ocean until you have the courage to lose sight of

the shore.

–**Christopher Columbus**

201

You can’t fall if you don’t climb. But there’s no joy in living your whole

life on the ground.

–**Unknown**

202

You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don’t try.

–**Beverly Sills**

203

You must get good at one of two things. Planting in the spring or begging in

the fall.

–**Jim Rohn**

204

You take your life in your own hands, and what happens? A terrible thing,

no one to blame.

–**Erica Jong**

205

When I let go of what I am,

I become what I might be.

–**Lao Tzu**

206

Have the courage to follow your heart

and intuition. They somehow already know

what you truly want to become.

–**Steve Jobs**

207

The death rate for people who play it safe and for people who live boldly is

the same: 100%.

–**Patti Digh**

208

There is no passion to be found playing small.

–**Nelson Mandela**

209

Better three hours too soon,

than one minute too late.

–**William Shakespeare**

210

You can’t use up creativity.

The more you use, the more you have.

–**Maya Angelou**

211

A cowardly leader is the most dangerous of men.

–**Stephen King**

212

A deadline is negative inspiration. Still, it's

better than no inspiration at all.

–**Rita Mae Brown**

213

A good general not only sees the way to victory; he also knows when

victory is impossible.

–**Polybius**

214

A great leader’s courage to fulfill his vision comes from passion, not

position.

–**John C. Maxwell**

215

A great person attracts great people and knows how to hold them together.

–**Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe**

216

As long as I have a want, I have a reason for

living. Satisfaction is death.

–**George Bernard Shaw**

217

As we look ahead into the next century,

leaders will be those who empower others.

–**Bill Gates**

218

Between the great things we cannot do and the small things we will not do,

the danger is that we shall do nothing.

–**Adolphe Monod**

219

Difficulties increase the nearer

we approach the goal.

–**Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

220

Don’t say you don’t have enough time. You have exactly the same number of hours per day that were given to Helen Keller, Pasteur, Michelangelo, Mother Teresa, Leonardo da

Vinci, Thomas Jefferson, and Albert Einstein.

–**H. Jackson Brown**

221

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is

indicated; you can't cross a chasm in

two small jumps.

–**David Lloyd George**

222

Education is the mother of leadership.

–**Wendell Willkie**

223

If you want your children to turn out well,

spend twice as much time with them,

and half as much money.

–**Abigail Van Buren**

224

Effective leadership is not about making

speeches or being liked; leadership is defined by results not attributes.

–**Peter Drucker**

225

Effective leadership is putting first things first. Effective management is

discipline,

carrying it out.

–**Stephen Covey**

226

Even if you’re on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there.

–**Will Rogers**

227

Everything has beauty, but not everyone can see.

–**Confucius**

228

Few things can help an individual more than to place responsibility on him, and to let him know that you trust him.

–**Booker T. Washington**

229

For time and the world do not stand still.

Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the past or the present

are certain

to miss the future.

–**John F. Kennedy**

230

Gaining time is gaining everything in love,

trade and war.

–**John Shebbeare**

231

Goals are not only absolutely necessary to motivate us. They are essential to really keep us alive.

–**Robert H. Schuller**

232

Goals determine what you're going to be.

–**Julius Erving**

233

He that rises late must trot all day.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

234

He who gains time gains everything.

–**Benjamin Disraeli**

235

He who knows most grieves most

for wasted time.

–**Dante**

236

I am reminded how hollow the label of leadership sometimes is and how heroic followership can be.

–**Warren Bennis**

237

I attribute my success to this: I never gave or took any excuse.

–**Florence Nightingale**

238

I don’t think of the past. The only thing that

matters is the everlasting present.

–**Somerset Maugham**

239

I have been impressed with the urgency of

doing. Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Being willing is not enough;

we must do.

–**Leonardo da Vinci**

240

If the wind will not serve, take to the oars.

–**Latin Proverb**

241

If you don't have time to do it right you must have time to do it over.

–**John Wooden**

242

If you don't know where you are going, you will probably end up

somewhere else.

–**Lawrence J. Peter**

243

If you have built castles in the air, your work need not be lost; that is where they should be. Now put the foundations under them. –**Henry David Thoreau**

244

In a day, when you don't come across any problems –you can be sure that you are travelling in a wrong path.

–**Swami Vivekananda**

245

It is a mistake to look too far ahead.

Only one link of the chain of destiny can be handled at a time.

–**Winston Churchill**

246

It is absurd that a man should rule others,

who cannot rule himself.

–**Latin Proverb**

247

It is easier to go down a hill than up,

but the view is best from the top.

–**Arnold Bennett**

248

It is never too late

to be who you might have been.

–**George Eliot**

249

It is not what you do for your children, but what you have taught them to do for themselves, that will make them successful human beings. –**Ann Landers**

250

It’s not enough to be busy, so are the ants. The question is, what are we busy about? –**Henry David Thoreau**

251

It’s your place in the world; it’s your life.

Go on and do all you can with it, and make it the life you want to live. –**Mae Jemison**

252

Leadership cannot just go along to get along. Leadership must meet the

moral challenge

of the day.

–**Jesse Jackson**

253

Leadership is a potent combination of strategy and character. But if you

must be without one, be without the strategy.

–**Norman Schwarzkopf**

254

Life is full of obstacle illusions.

–**Grant Frazier**

255

Look to the future, because that is where you'll spend the rest of your life.

–**George Burns**

256

Management is efficiency in climbing the ladder of success; leadership determines whether the ladder is leaning against the right wall. –**Stephen Covey**

257

Never leave till tomorrow

that which you can do today.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

258

Never let yesterday use up today.

–**Richard H. Nelson**

259

No man will make a great leader who

wants to do it all himself, or to get all

the credit for doing it.

–**Andrew Carnegie**

260

Nothing else, perhaps, distinguishes effective executives as much as their

tender loving

care of time.

–**Peter Drucker**

261

Nothing happens until something moves.

–**Albert Einstein**

262

Once you have mastered time, you will

understand how true it is that most people

overestimate what they can accomplish in a year –and underestimate what

they can achieve

in a decade.

–**Anthony Robbins**

263

Ordinary people think merely of spending time. Great people think of using

it.

–**Unknown**

264

People often say that motivation doesn’t last. Well, neither does bathing.

That’s why we recommend it daily.

–**Zig Ziglar**

265

Realize that now, in this moment of time,

you are creating. You are creating your next moment. That is what’s real.

–**Sara Paddison**

266

Remember no one can make you feel

inferior without your consent.

–**Eleanor Roosevelt**

267

So much of what we call management consists in making it difficult for

people to work.

–**Peter Drucker**

268

The battles that count aren’t the ones for gold medals. The struggles within

yourself–

the invisible battles inside all of us–

that’s where it’s at.

–**Jesse Owens**

269

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams.

–**Eleanor Roosevelt**

270

The great dividing line between success and failure can be expressed in five

words:

“I did not have time.”

–**Franklin Field**

271

The higher goal a person pursues, the quicker his ability develops, and the more beneficial he will become to the society. I believe for sure that this is also a truth.

–**Maksim Gorky**

272

The impossible is often the untried.

–**Jim Goodwin**

273

The most difficult thing is the decision to act;

the rest is merely tenacity.

–**Amelia Earhart**

274

The most effective way to do it is to do it.

–**Amelia Earhart**

275

The most important question to ask is,

what am I becoming?

–**Jim Rohn**

276

The time for action is now.

It’s never too late to do something.

–**Carl Sandburg**

277

The very essence of leadership is that you have to have a vision. It’s got to

be a vision you

articulate clearly and forcefully on every

occasion. You can’t blow an uncertain trumpet.

–**Reverend Theodore Hesburgh**

278

There are no shortcuts to any place worth going.

–**Beverly Sills**

279

Though no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start

from now and

make a brand new ending.

–**Attributed to Carl Bard**

280

Time is a great teacher, but unfortunately

it kills all its pupils.

–**Hector Louis Berlioz**

281

Time lost is never found again.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

282

To do great things is difficult; but to command great things is more difficult.

–**Friedrich Nietzsche**

283

We must believe that we are gifted for

something, and that this thing,

at whatever cost, must be attained.

–**Marie Curie**

284

What you get by achieving your goals

is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals.

–**Zig Ziglar**

285

While we are postponing, life speeds by.

–**Seneca**

286

You can’t change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying about

the future.

–**Unknown**

287

You cannot do a kindness too soon, for you

never know how soon it will be too late.

–**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

288

Every day of your working life is part of an

interview for a job you don't even know

you're going for yet.

–**Adam Darowski**

289

Risk more than others think is safe. Care more than others think is wise.

Dream more than

others think is practical. Expect more than

others think is possible.

–**Claude Bissell**

290

You never know when a moment and a few sincere words can have an impact on a life. –**Zig Ziglar**

291

A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove…but the world may be different because

I was important in the life of a child.

–**Forest Witcraft**

292

Establishing goals is all right if you don't let them deprive you of interesting

detours.

–**Doug Larson**

293

Great leaders are almost always great

simplifiers, who can cut through argument,

debate, and doubt to offer a solution

everybody can understand.

–**General Colin Powell**

294

He does not seem to me to be a free man who does not sometimes do

nothing.

–**Cicero**

295

He lives long that lives well;

and time misspent is not lived but lost.

–**Thomas Fuller**

296

I love deadlines. I like the whooshing sound

they make as they fly by.

–**Douglas Adams**

297

If it weren’t for the last minute,

a lot of things wouldn’t get done.

–**Michael S. Traylor**

298

If you want to make good use of your time, you’ve got to know what’s most

important and then give it all you’ve got.

–**Lee Iacocca**

299

If you would hit the mark, you must aim a little above it; every arrow that

flies feels

the attraction of earth.

–**Henry Wadsworth Longfellow**

300

If you're bored with life ––you don't get up every morning with a burning desire to do things ––you don't have enough goals. –**Lou Holtz**

301

It is a most mortifying reflection for a man to consider what he has done, compared to what he might have done.

–**Samuel Johnson**

302

It’s how we spend our time here and now, that really matters. If you are fed up with the way you have come to interact with time, change it. –**Marcia Wieder**

303

Leaders think and talk about the solutions.

Followers think and talk about the problems.

–**Brian Tracy**

304

Leadership and learning are

indispensable to each other.

–**John F. Kennedy**

305

Leadership is solving problems. The day soldiers stop bringing you their problems is the day you have stopped leading them. They have either lost confidence that you can help or concluded you do not care. Either case is a failure of leadership.

–**General Colin Powell**

306

Lost wealth may be replaced by industry, lost knowledge by study, lost health by temperance or medicine, but lost time is gone forever. –**Samuel Smiles**

307

Management is about arranging and telling. Leadership is about nurturing

and enhancing.

–**Tom Peters**

308

Only those who will risk going too far can

possibly find out how far one can go.

–**T.S. Eliot**

309

Outstanding leaders go out of their way to boost the self–esteem of their

personnel. If people

believe in themselves, it’s amazing what they can accomplish.

–**Sam Walton**

310

Perhaps when we find ourselves wanting

everything, it is because we are dangerously close to wanting nothing.

–**Sylvia Plath**

311

Some of the world's greatest feats were

accomplished by people not smart enough to know they were impossible.

–**Doug Larson**

312

Take a rest. A field that has rested

yields a beautiful crop.

–**Ovid**

313

Take the first step in faith.

We don't need to see the whole staircase;

we just need to take the first step.

–**Martin Luther King Jr**

314

Teach thy tongue to say, “I do not know,”

and thou shalt progress.

–**Maimonides**

315

The best angle from which to approach any problem is the try–angle.

–**Author Unknown**

316

The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do

what he wants done, and self–restraint enough to keep from meddling with

them while they do it.

–**Theodore Roosevelt**

317

The growth and development of people is the highest calling of leadership.

–**Harvey Firestone**

318

The important thing in life is to have a great aim, and the determination to

attain it.

–**Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

319

The key to successful leadership today is

influence, not authority.

–**Kenneth Blanchard**

320

The leader has to be practical and a realist yet must talk the language of the

visionary

and the idealist.

–**Eric Hoffer**

321

The nation will find it very hard to look up to the leaders who are keeping

their ears to the ground.

–**Sir Winston Churchill**

322

The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be.

–**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

323

The real pleasure of one's life is the devotion to a great objective of one's

consideration.

–**George Bernard Shaw**

324

The rung of a ladder was never meant to rest

upon, but only to hold a man's foot long enough to enable him to put the

other somewhat higher.

–**Thomas Henry Huxley**

325

Every no gets me closer to a yes.

–**Mark Cuban**

326

The time you enjoy wasting is not wasted time.

–**Bertrand Russell**

327

The world is moving so fast these days that the man who says it can't be

done is generally

interrupted by someone doing it.

–**Elbert Hubbard**

328

The worst days of those who enjoy what they do are better than the best

days of those who don’t.

–**Jim Rohn**

329

The young do not know enough to be prudent, and therefore they attempt the impossible –and achieve it, generation after generation. –**Pearl S. Buck**

330

This time, like all times, is a very good one,

if we but know what to do with it.

–**Ralph Waldo Emerson**

331

Those who make the worse use of their time are the first to complain of its

shortness.

–**Jean De La Bruyere**

332

Time is a great healer, but a poor beautician.

–**Lucille Harper**

333

Time is really the only capital that any human being has, and the only thing

he can’t

afford to lose.

–**Thomas Edison**

334

Time is the wisest counselor of all.

–**Pericles**

335

Time will take your money,

but money won't buy time.

–**James Taylor**

336

To think too long about doing a thing often

becomes its undoing.

–**Eva Young**

337

To do two things at once is to do neither.

–**Publius Syrus**

338

True leadership lies in guiding others to success. In ensuring that everyone is performing at their best, doing the work they are pledged to do and doing it well.

–**Bill Owens**

339

What is not started today is never

finished tomorrow.

–**Johann Wolfgang von Goethe**

340

What may be done at any time

will be done at no time.

–**Scottish Proverb**

341

When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane

takes off against the wind, not with it.

–**Henry Ford**

342

When I give a minister an order,

I leave it to him to find the means to carry it out.

–**Napoleon Bonaparte**

343

Work expands so as to fill the time

available for its completion.

–**Cyril Parkinson**

344

You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You must do the thing you think you cannot do.

–**Eleanor Roosevelt**

345

You may delay, but time will not.

–**Benjamin Franklin**

346

You must have long–range goals to keep you from being frustrated by

short–range failures.

–**Charles C. Noble**

347

Your goals are the road maps that guide you and show you what is possible

for your life.

–**Les Brown**

348

You cannot change your destination overnight, but you can change your

direction overnight.

–**Jim Rohn**

349

If you obey all the rules, you miss all the fun.

–**Katharine Hepburn**

350

The best way to succeed

is to double your failure rate.

–**Thomas Watson**

351

This to shall pass.

–**Proverb**

352

After climbing a great hill, one only finds that there are many more hills to

climb.

–**Nelson Mandela**

353

Winning isn’t everything, but wanting to win is.

–**Vince Lombardi**

354

You can’t cross the sea merely by standing

and staring at the water.

–**Rabindranath Tagore**

355

You don’t lead by hitting people over the head–that’s assault, not

leadership.

–**Dwight Eisenhower**

356

You don’t lead by pointing and telling people some place to go. You lead by

going to that place and making a case.

–**Ken Kesey**

357

A competent leader can get efficient service from poor troops, while on the contrary an incapable leader can demoralize the best of troops. –**John Pershing**

358

A ruler should be slow to punish

and swift to reward.

–**Ovid**

359

A straight path never leads anywhere

except to the objective.

–**Andre Gide**

360

A wise person does at once,

what a fool does at last. Both do the same thing; only at different times.

–**Baltasar Gracián**

361

Work like there is someone working 24 hours a day to take it away from

you.

–**Mark Cuban**

362

The surest way to be late

is to have plenty of time.

–**Leo Kennedy**

363

The space you occupy and the authority you exercise may be measured with

mathematical exactness by the service you render.

–**Napoleon Hill**

364

If you only knock long enough and loud enough at the gate, you are sure to

wake somebody up.

–**Henry Longfellow**

365

By perseverance the snail reached the ark.

–**Charles Spurgeon**



BONUS: HOW TO DISCOVER YOUR LIFE’S TRUE PURPOSE

Each of these activities will require you to use your imagination and to reflect deeply. Find a quiet, comfortable spot where you can close your eyes and think in peace. You may want to keep your journal or some paper nearby to record your thoughts.

**ACTIVITY ONE: The Rocking Chair Test**

It’s been said that when we are on our deathbeds we will regret the things we *didn’t* do, not the things we did. Imagine that you are 90 years old, fully retired and sitting in a rocking chair out on your porch. Imagine that you are looking back on your 90 years of life. What would be the things that would make you sad, if you never got around to doing them?

Are there places in the world that you would regret never having visited? Are there people in your life you still need to forgive, or to apologize to? Will you regret never having read the Bible, or never having learned to play the piano, or never having learned a foreign language? Who do you still need to thank? In what ways do you want to serve others before you retire?

**ACTIVITY TWO: Lottery Winner**

OK, if deathbed activities are too much of a downer, how about this one.

Congratulations, you won the (imaginary) lottery! How much? You decide. Pick an amount that is so huge, there is no way you’d ever have to work again. Pick an amount so big that you’d have money to spend at will. Ten million dollars? A hundred million? A billion? You pick.

Now truly imagine you won that much money. You can do anything you want to do! So what would you do? Sure, sure you’d buy sports cars and planes and vacation homes—what the heck, buy some islands. OK, you got all the toys out of the way, and still have so many years of your life to fill. What would you do? How would you spend your time?

Would you write a book? If so, on what topic? Would you still want to start a business even though you didn’t need the money? Is there a special charity you’d like to support, or maybe even *start*. Who would you want to help with your money? Family and friends are probably on your list,but who else comes to mind? Homeless veterans? Orphans? Abandoned pets?

**ACTIVITY THREE: What Gives You Energy?**

Isn’t it funny how time can move so slowly when we’re in a long boring meeting at work, or waiting in the dentist’s chair? And yet other times you’ve probably experienced states of “flow” where the

hours just fly by and you can’t believe what time it is.

Try to remember the times and experiences that have flown by and given you energy—times when your work or play may have been challenging, but totally engaging. Do you get energy when you are alone, or with other people? Are your flow states typically when you are working with your hands, or working more cerebrally? Do you get lost (in a good way) figuring out the details of projects, or thinking of big picture vision? Are you a creator—do you like to create things whether they are books, businesses, or artwork?

Now it’s time to put it all together. Take the clues that come from imaging regrets, passions, flow-states and the types of people you like to serve. Put it all together to specifically answer:

What are the things you most like doing?



Who do you want to serve?



How might you benefit them?



There is no “right” way to write your purpose statement, but you might find inspiration from some of these specific examples:

“My purpose is to teach entrepreneurship to those in less developed countries so they, and future generations, can live a more prosperous life.”



“My purpose is to model positive values and healthy living for my children, so they might adopt healthy and happy lifestyles as adults.”



“My purpose is to create unique smartphone games for people who want to experience more joy in their life.”



“My purpose is to be a role-model of servant leadership so working professionals can maximize their engagement and productivity at work.”



Working on your personal purpose statement—or mission statement—can bring you both greater inner peace, and more daily motivation knowing you are serving your ultimate purpose.

And don’t forget, your purpose can change. As you live, you grow. You will have new experiences, new relationships, new learnings that will impact. Don’t be afraid to grow your purpose along the way.





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