

The most affecting part of "The Last Lecture" was how Randy carried himself. Even though this man had at most months to live at this point in history, he didn't allow himself to slip into depression or become complicit in life. He did what he could and still continued to live and enjoy life. He continued to teach. Another thing that I found effective was how he wanted to push other people. He wanted others to shoot for their dreams like he did, and he gave them the space to do so. So often you get people that say they want others to succeed but won't give up the resources to do so, but Randy did.

Kinda a simple part of the lecture that I found nice was in the beginning when he stated his goals/ childhood dreams. Although they were fantastical, they were reasonable. His example of I want to experience 0 g, not I want to be an astronaut. Although fantastical, it's reasonable and I think that is a good approach. You can still have great dreams but it's reasonable. Another message that was strong was leave the place better than when you came there. He changed where he was working but when he did leave he wanted to leave them in better hands not just good ones. I think that is important as it's about other people at the end of the day. It's about making it better for more people and I think that is refreshing to hear from someone so successful and so passionate.