# Today, I Choose to Seize My Opportunities!

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"Success in life doesn't depend on the dreams we dream, but on the choices we make." —GEORGE SWEETING

By an act of faith, Abraham said yes to God's call to travel to an unknown place that would become his home. When he left he had no idea where he was going. By an act of faith he lived in the country promised him, lived as a stranger camping in tents. Isaac and Jacob did the same, living under the same promise. Abraham did it by keeping his eye on an unseen city with real, eternal foundations—the City designed and built by God.

HEBREWS 11:8-10 (The Message)

### Seize the Moment by Saying "Yes" to Changes in Your Daily Pattern

"Whenever there is danger, there lurks opportunity; whenever there is opportunity, there lurks danger. The two are inseparable, they go together." —EARL NIGHTINGGALE

### Seize the Moment by Doing Your Best Until You Are Able to Do Something Else

"Opportunities are seldom labeled."

"Small opportunities are often the beginning of big enterprises."
—EMOSTHENES

"Opportunities multiply as they are seized; they die when neglected."

## Seize the Moment by Seeing Beyond Your Current Circumstances

By faith, barren Sarah was able to become pregnant, old woman as she was at the time, because she believed the One who made a promise would do what he said. That's how it happened that from one man's dead and shriveled loins there are now people numbering into the millions. HEBREWS 11:11-12 (The Message)

To each is given a bag of tools, A shapeless mass, and a book of rules, And each must make, ere life is flown, A stumbling block or a stepping stone.

"The reason so many people never get anywhere in life is because, when opportunity knocks, they are out in the backyard looking for four leaf clovers." WALTER P. CHRYSLER

#### **OPPORTUNITIES MISSED:**

- Show kindness
- Speak words of encouragement
- Say "I love you" in a meaningful way to your mate, children, family or friends
- · Improve your knowledge and skills
- Meet new people and make new friends
- · Finish something you have started
- · Allow others to help you
- Share your faith

"A pessimist is one who makes difficulties of his opportunities; an optimist is one who makes opportunities of his difficulties."

-REGINALD B. MANSELL

#### Seize the Moment by Believing God to Take You Outside of Your Own Limitations

Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the appointed time I will return to you, according to the time of life, and Sarah will have a son. GENESIS 18:14

Each one of these people of faith died not yet having in hand what was promised, but still believing. How did they do it? They saw it way off in the distance, waved their greeting, and accepted the fact that they were transients in this world.

HEBREWS 11:13 (The Message)



