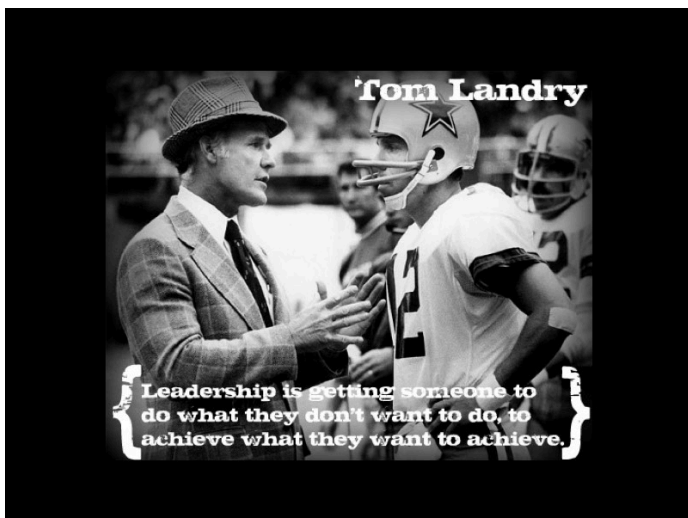




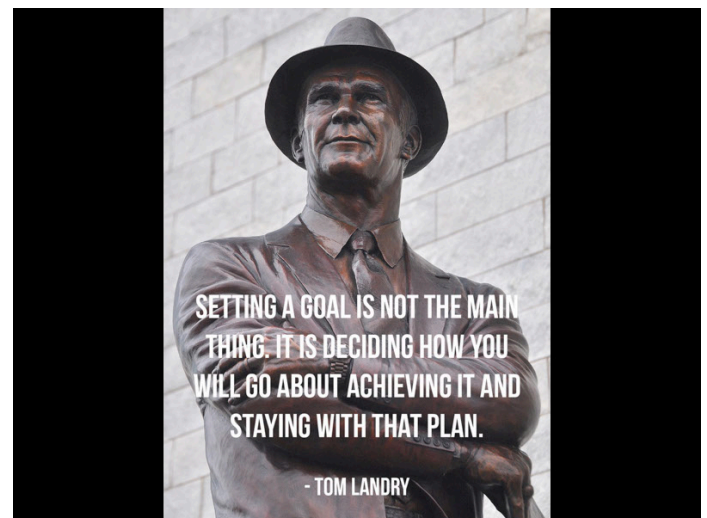
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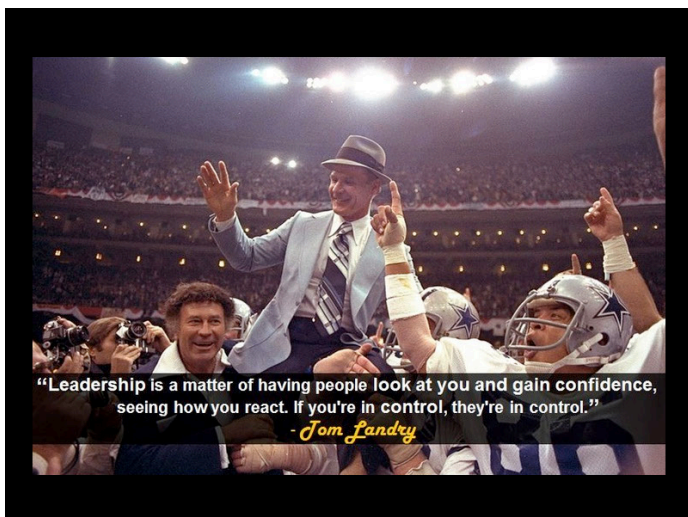
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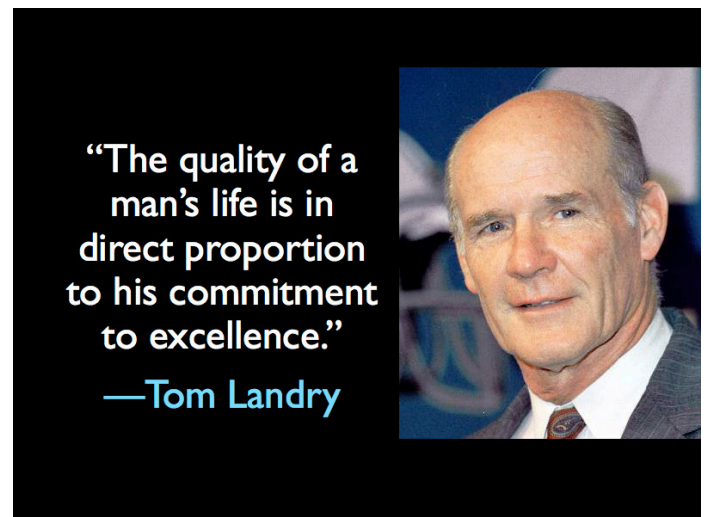
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Excellence

Something that surpasses or outdoes. The highest standard in quality and character. Something of great value or virtue.

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“Only a mediocre person is always at his best.”

—W. Somerset Maugham

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*Some men die in ashes.
Some men die in flames.
Some men die inch by inch,
Playing little childish games.*

—C.T. Studd

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Excellence is a theme you can trace related to the work and character of God in the Bible:

Psalms 150:2

Isaiah 28:29

Daniel 5:12

Philippians 4:8

2 Peter 1:3

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⁹Jabez was more honorable than his brothers; and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, “Because I bore him in pain.”

¹⁰Jabez called upon the God of Israel, saying, “Oh that You would bless me and enlarge my border, and that Your hand might be with me, and that You would keep me from harm so that it might not bring me pain!” And God granted what he asked. —1 Chronicles 4:9-10 ESV

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In Pursuit of Excellence,
You Need a...

- Great Ambition (“indeed”)

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We exit the path of excellence
when we confuse...

> Humility with Fear

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“Humility is not denying your
strengths, but being honest
about your weaknesses,
submitting them to God for His
grace, and surrendering your
strengths for God’s glory.”

-.014.tiff

We exit the path of excellence
when we confuse...

> Humility with Fear

> Contentment with Laziness

-.015.tiff

Not that I am speaking of
being in need, for I have
learned in whatever
situation I am to be content.

—Philippians 4:11 ESV

-.016.tiff

¹³Brothers, I do not consider that
I have made it my own. But one
thing I do: forgetting what lies
behind and straining forward
to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on
toward the goal for the prize of the
upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

—Philippians 3:13-14 ESV

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We exit the path of excellence
when we confuse...

> Humility with Fear

> Contentment with Laziness

> Little Thinking with Spirituality

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For You are great and do
wondrous things; You alone are
God. —Psalm 86:10 ESV

Call to Me and I will answer you,
and will tell you great and hidden
things that you have not known.
—Jeremiah 33:3 ESV

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¹²“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever
believes in Me will also do the
works that I do; and greater works
than these will he do, because I am
going to the Father. ¹³Whatever
you ask in My name, this I will do,
that the Father may be glorified in
the Son. —John 14:12-13 ESV

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²⁰Now to Him who is able to do
far more abundantly than all that
we ask or think, according to the
power at work within us, ²¹to Him
be glory in the church and in
Christ Jesus throughout all
generations, forever and ever.
Amen. —Ephesians 3:20-21 ESV

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“Lord, grant that I should
always desire more than
I can accomplish.”
—Michelangelo

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In Pursuit of Excellence,
You Need a...

- Great Ambition
- Growing Faith

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“...enlarge my border...”
—I Chronicles 4:10 ESV

*Move me beyond the
normal limitations of life
as many know it.*

-.024.tiff

...and that your hand might be with me... —1 Chronicles 4:10 ESV

Make me aware of Your provision, not my own.

-.025.tiff

...keep me from harm... —1 Chronicles 4:10 ESV

Measure your life by resistance.

-.026.tiff

In Pursuit of Excellence,
You Need a...

- Great Ambition
- Growing Faith
- Genuine Prayer Life

-.027.tiff

⁷Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ⁸For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ⁹Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? —Matthew 7:7-9 ESV

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Excellence

Higher rule
for His highest glory!

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