

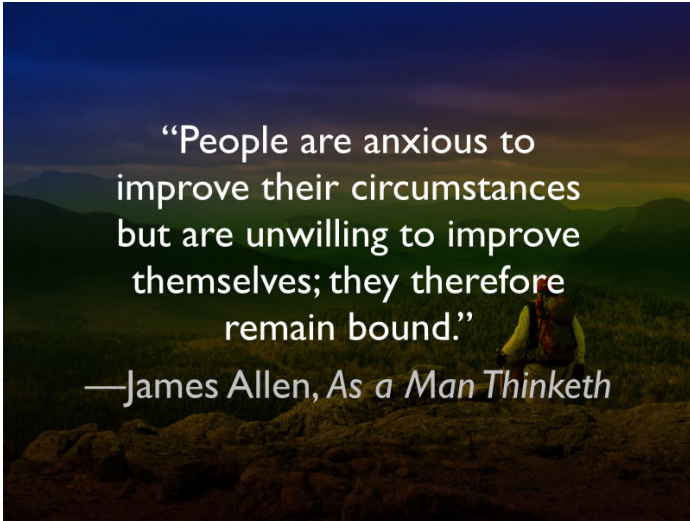


Success in life =

- Knowing my purpose
- Growing to my potential
- Sowing seeds to benefit others

— John Maxwell

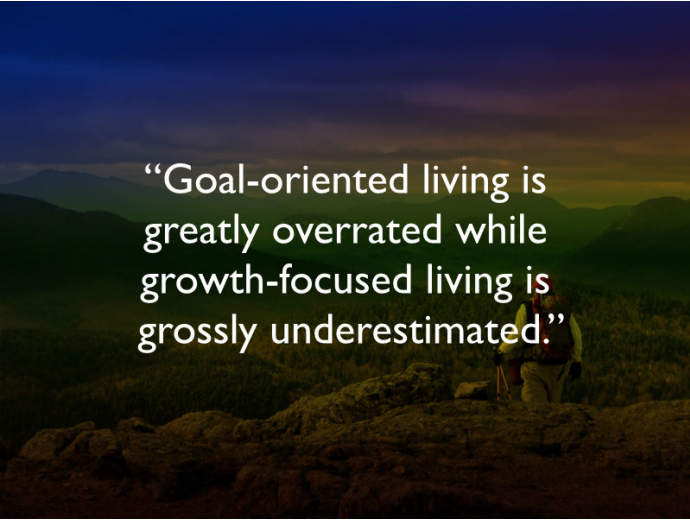
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“People are anxious to improve their circumstances but are unwilling to improve themselves; they therefore remain bound.”

—James Allen, *As a Man Thinketh*

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“Goal-oriented living is greatly overrated while growth-focused living is grossly underestimated.”

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Three Preliminary Statements:

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Growth...

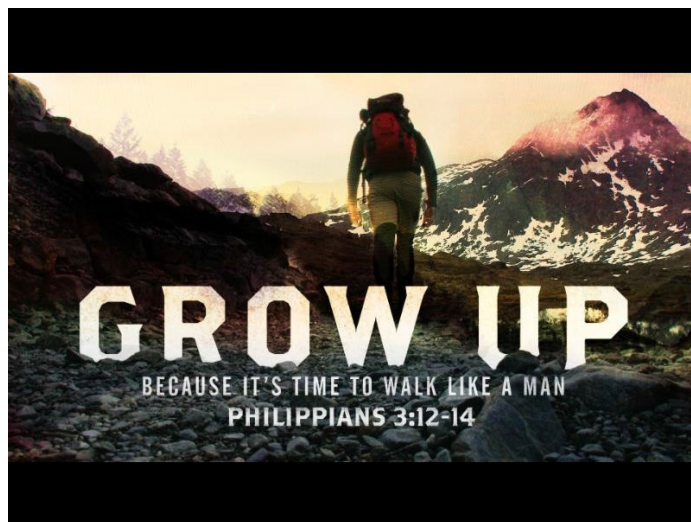
Fuels my dreams.
Shapes my decisions.
Renews my discipline.
Deepens my determination.

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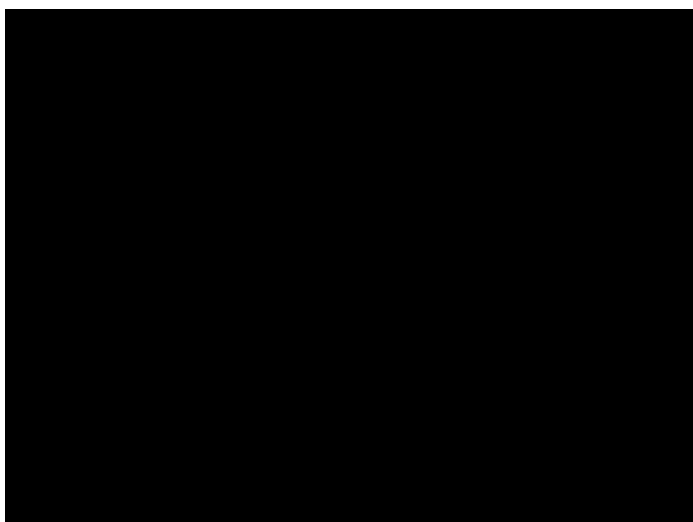
Three Preliminary Statements:

- Growth is the Evidence of Life
- Growth is the Energy of Life
- Growth is not always easy, but the rewards are great.

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¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me His own.

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,

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¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. ¹⁵Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. ¹⁶Only let us hold true to what we have attained. —Philippians 3:12-16 ESV

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But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

—2 Peter 3:18 ESV

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GROWTH

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—Philippians 3:12 ESV

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For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life. —Proverbs 6:23 ESV

Whoever heeds instruction is on the path to life, but he who rejects reproof leads others astray. —Proverbs 10:17 ESV

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A good man obtains favor from the Lord, but a man of evil devices He condemns. —Proverbs 12:2 ESV

Poverty and disgrace come to him who ignores instruction, but whoever heeds reproof is honored. —Proverbs 13:18 ESV

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“As long as you live, keep learning how to live.”
—Seneca

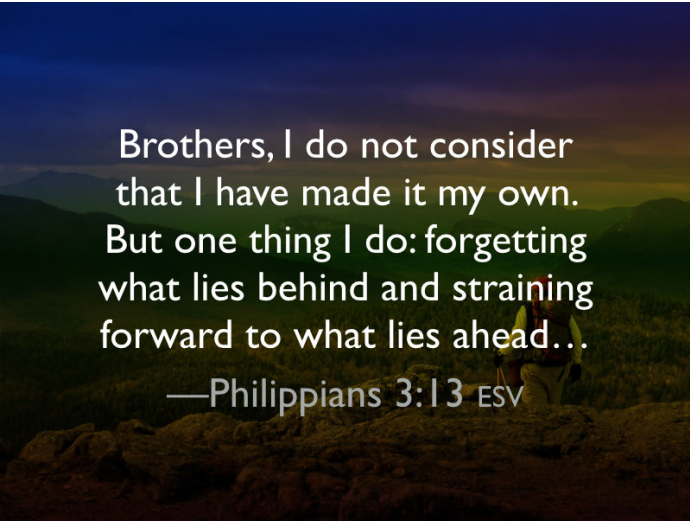
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GROWTH

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... continues when you focus on gains through losses.

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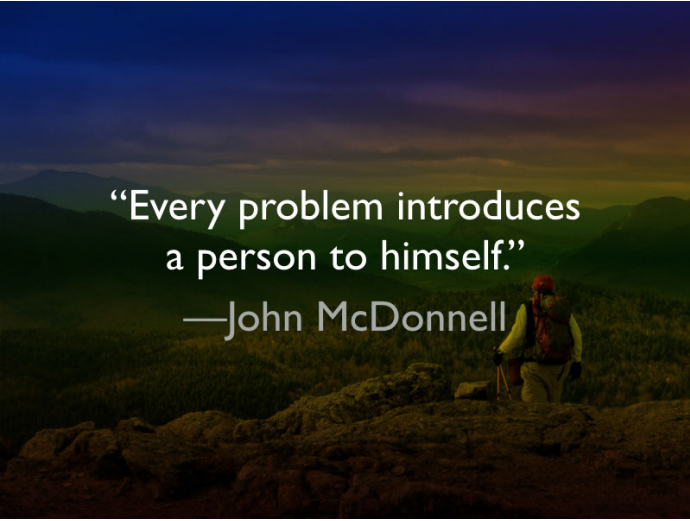
—Philippians 3:13 ESV

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Philippians 3:4-11

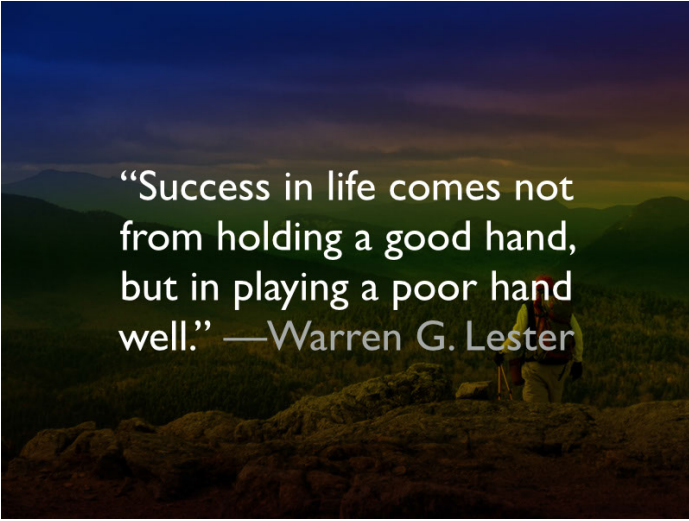
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“Every problem introduces
a person to himself.”

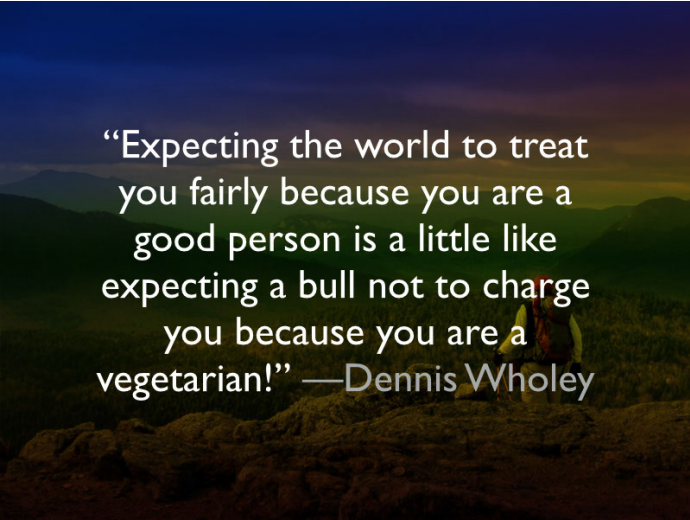
—John McDonnell

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“Success in life comes not
from holding a good hand,
but in playing a poor hand
well.” —Warren G. Lester

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“Expecting the world to treat
you fairly because you are a
good person is a little like
expecting a bull not to charge
you because you are a
vegetarian!” —Dennis Wholey

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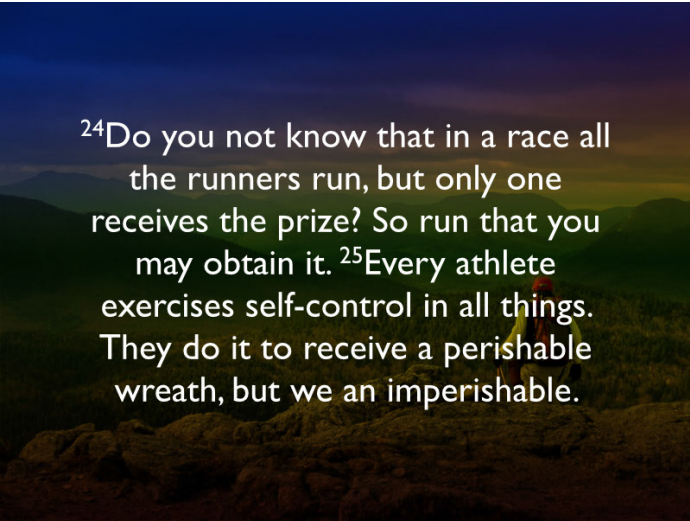
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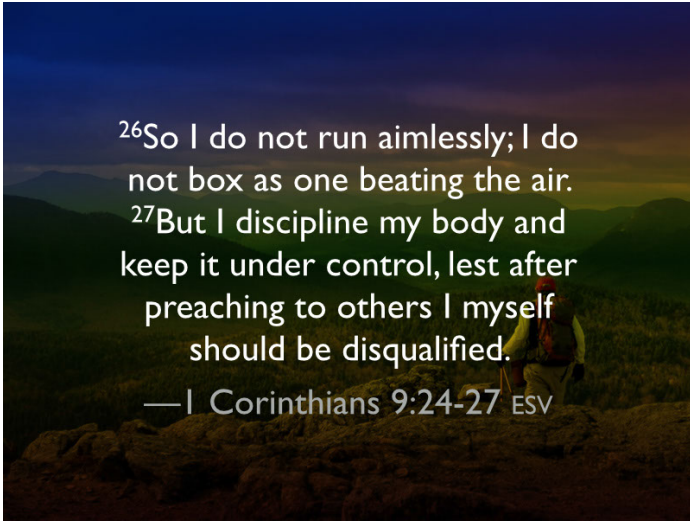
... concentrates on direction more
than distance.

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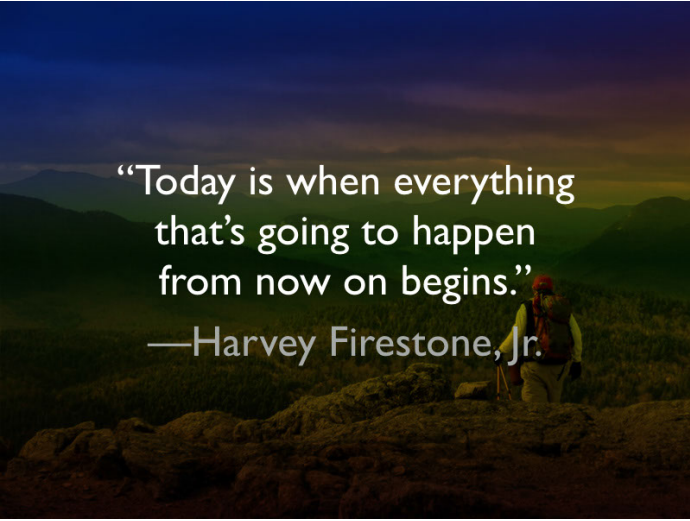
²⁴Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. ²⁵Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable.

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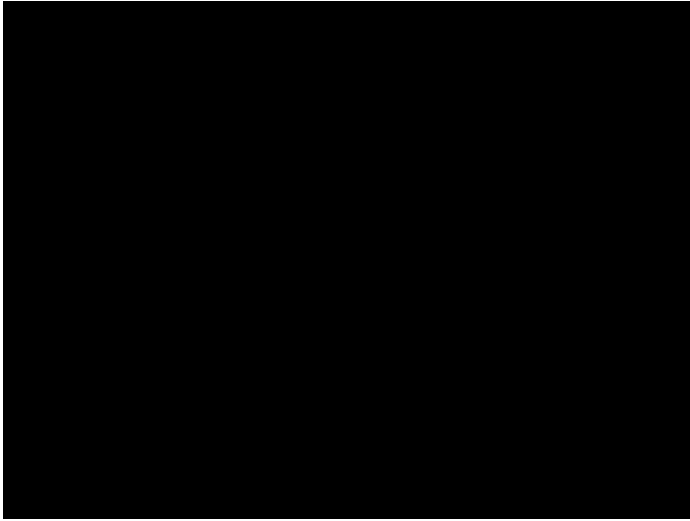
²⁶So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. ²⁷But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.
—I Corinthians 9:24-27 ESV

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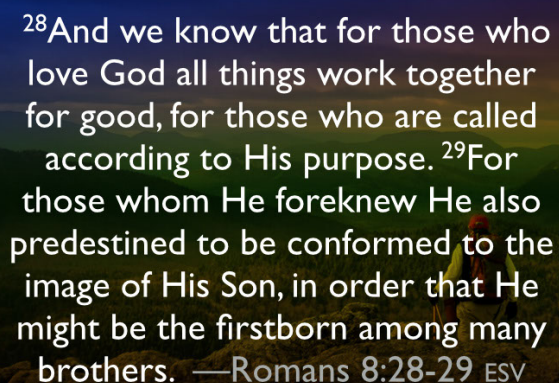


“Today is when everything that’s going to happen from now on begins.”
—Harvey Firestone, Jr.

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²⁸And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose. ²⁹For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. —Romans 8:28-29 ESV

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