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Most people go through life without a dream. They have no motivation to get up in the morning because they have nothing to excite them, nothing to look forward to. I am not talking about a pipe dream, an unrealistic, ill-defined and vague purpose which people talk about but *do* nothing about.

The dream I am talking about is one which excites you, which makes you to get up in the morning with anticipation for what you are going to accomplish that day in order to reach your dream. The dream is clearly defined. It's what you talk about all the time, what you plan for. It becomes more than a dream; it becomes your life's purpose!

A person without a dream is a person without hope of achievement. You will have no perseverance without a compelling dream or purpose. When adversity strikes, the person without a dream is devastated. But if you are driven by your dream, you will get up each time you fall, because you are as one who sees the unseen. No hardship, nor danger, nor obstacle, nor ridicule will deter you from striving towards your goal.

If you are striving to reach your dream, you might fall and even become discouraged. But you don't stay down for long; because you know that ***success is getting up again every time you fall.***

Why do many people go through life without a dream? I think it has a lot to do with attitude. If you have a positive attitude, knowing that you are eventually going to succeed, you can dare to dream. You can face every adversary that attempts to discourage you. If you believe it is your right to succeed, irrespective of the number of times you experience temporary failure, you will follow your dream. You will not fear temporary defeat, because you realise that ***failure is the greatest teacher of success if you are willing to learn from it.*** But you can only experience this truth if you are willing to get up every time you fall. If you have an attitude of success, you will analyse the problem, persevere until you find the solution....and continue towards your dream a wiser person.

However, if you have a negative mental attitude, you will expect failure. You will see yourself as inadequate for the job and stop dreaming when hard times come. You begin to doubt yourself.

WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE said: **"Our doubts are traitors, and make us lose the good we oft might win, by fearing to attempt."**

It is sad, isn't it, that we condemn ourselves to a life of mediocrity because we are afraid of failure!

**But there is hope for all of us.** MARCUS AURELIUS, the great Roman Emperor said: "A man's life is what his thoughts make of it." Before him, the Bible also confirmed this truth: "As a man thinks in his heart, so is he." What does this mean? If we have failed because we considered ourselves unworthy of success, in other words, if we have thought in our heart of hearts that we are doomed to failure, can we expect to reap a different type of result?

**The good news is that we can change the way we think! This is the key to both failure and success. We can choose which key we are going to use. Are we going to doubt, or are we going to believe?**

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WILLIAM JAMES said: **“The greatest discovery of my generation is that human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes of mind”**

Our Creator has given us the power to choose what we want to be: failure or success. Jesus Christ said: **“If you can believe, all things are possible to them that believe”**

Let us make this day a water shedding experience in our lives. Let us choose success. Let us follow our dream no matter what.

Stop doubting yourself. Someone has said: **“Do the thing and you will have the power!”** Let us dream big, act big, achieve big. We owe it to ourselves! It is never too late to begin a new journey.

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