

Weekly Message Weekly Message



Greetings friends,
hope your first few weeks of school have generated a positive stream in your life. There is so much to be thankful for and excited about. CR anticipate the arrival of our second grandchild on Wednesday morning. Our first grandchild just turned 20 a couple of weeks ago. There is something completely exuberating about a new baby coming into the world, especially when it is in your own family.

Here are some thoughts for the day:

**“Those who travel the high road of humility are not troubled by heavy traffic.”
Alan Simpson, politician**

**“Success is the progressive realization of a worthy ideal.”
Earl Nightingale (1921-1989) motivational speaker and writer**

"There is no reason to ever quit... unless of course you had no plans to ever succeed... that is called 'Delusional Success'" -- Doug Firebaugh

"He who conquers others is strong; he who conquers himself is mighty." -- Lao-tzu



For those of you who let the deadline pass for the **Capital One Bowl in Orlando**, they have extended the deadline to October 7th. If you would like to perform at the halftime of this fantastic event, just reply to this e-mail with a request for a brochure and we will send one to you. Keep in mind that you must have attended an American camp or contest this year to qualify.

Most of us are born procrastinators. We put things off to tomorrow what could be accomplished today. It seems that time simply slips past us with so many non-essentials occupying our lives that we miss some of the most important tasks that could be accomplished in a timely manner. Below is a great passage that I came across that highlights our weakness of putting things off. I hope that it will inspire you to make that priority list and start at the top, not putting your life 'on layaway.'

Have a fantastic week, and, as always, please *keep in touch!*

Sincerely,

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Don't Put Your Life On Layaway

Why do we sometimes put our lives on layaway? You know what I'm talking about here, don't you? Far too often we put our hopes, dreams and aspirations "on hold" while we wait for the perfect time or perfect place to get the ball rolling. Why are we so willing to wait on this or that happening before we start happening ourselves? Instead of making the most of every moment, we make excuses and put things off instead. Unknowingly, we put our lives on layaway.

The most successful in any field have long since learned that success just does not work in this fashion. A winner knows that waiting, delaying or putting off are nice ways of saying that you are stopping for the time being. And stopping won't get you where you truly want to go, will it?

Waiting around just does not make any sense whatsoever to winners. Winners are never willing to wait on anything or anyone because they know they **have what it takes to do it themselves** right now. These self-assured winners ignore the stop signs of life. They are always ready and raring to go, holding nothing back or in reserve as they strive to make today the best day of their lives.

Isn't it high time that you have some fun and start experiencing all of the unbridled excitement life has to offer? Isn't it high time that you commit to living each day with all of the passion and purpose you can muster? Isn't it high time that you get up, get going and then keep going – reaching higher, pushing harder while propelling yourself toward your date with destiny?

Once you stop making excuses and start making history, you will discover that life is just too much fun to ever put it on layaway again.

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