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Designing a Life of Distinction

Set Sail In The Full Tide Of Victory

Thus, have I heard: To set sail in the full tide of victory, the choice we have is always between 'will' and 'won't,' and not between 'can' and 'cannot'.

What is the stirring purpose that gives your life meaning? Are your achievements in alignment with your aspirations or do the little hassles that crop up during the day undermine your emotions and your effectiveness?

Daily annoyances often add up to a full-blown fiasco when left unchecked. Just think, will any outer success compensate for failure in your personal life and how long will a rosy personal life sustain you in the face of professional failure? So, be wise and proficient to ensure that your wellbeing on any level is not compromised.

Learn to grow mentally, emotionally and spiritually, so that you free yourself from your fears, doubts and self-imposed limitations. This way you will be able to relish your moments without worrying about tomorrow's challenges.

Know that you have the power and resources to handle anything that comes your way. So discover your strengths and shed your trepidations for there is little satisfaction in settling for anything less than what is remarkable. Understand that you cannot achieve anything of true value if you are obsessed with positive guarantees beforehand.

Recognize the fact that enthusiasm, backed by an unshakable belief in your capabilities, unleashes your power to accomplish almost superhuman tasks. Realize, that true success is not a thing; it is a process of doing well whatever you place your time, energy and attention on doing right now, even if you fail to achieve your desired outcomes.

Feel the fulfillment that comes from giving your best performance on the stage of life, knowing that not everybody gets to play the lead role. Remember that pain is the touchstone of all growth. So even though life hurts on some occasions, remind yourself that true growth arises at times on the bedrock of suffering. The seed has to die for the plant to emerge and the flower must give way for the fruit to arise. Pain does not occur without reason, for it serves the purpose of telling you that something is incorrect – that your responses to life need modification. Pay heed to this message and rise to the occasion to act with dignity, grace and clarity for manifesting what you desire.

The only way to set sail in the full tide of victory is through spiritual education, as it anchors us in aspirations that fulfil us, instead of chasing after aspirations that lead us off course and leave us wanting. Our hunger for satisfaction has little to do with visible experience. This deep-rooted hunger is really our heart's longing to discover the divinity that is in and around us at all times and the immense fulfillment this holds for us. We can never be satisfied with anything less.

So make it your practice to consistently choose the best within your reach and you will know true fulfillment. The surest sign of the higher life is serenity, which you achieve when the Light of your inborn resources shines brightly, for one and all.

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