

Life is the Gift

Life is The Gift. You can make something of it or you can waste it. The Gift. Nothing more, nothing less. No person or higher power owes you anything. Life itself is. It's not a hand out, it's a hand up and you are in control of what happens next. If you realize you are the gift, then you will take action to utilize all the talents and abilities you were born with. You will take action to get what you want. Go, now, stop making excuses.

Wouldn't it be nice if we could hold on to these thoughts every day, every moment? Wow, what a successful life one would lead. Unfortunately most of us take the gift for granted. We wake up dreading the day ahead, the work we do, who we live with, work with and play with. Wayne Dwyer once said "If our problems were caused by other people, we would spend a fortune sending them to a psychiatrist".

We can speculate on the answer to the question "what is the meaning of life" or we can live it. We can search outside ourselves or we can look in a mirror and face what we see. The more we look outward for answers the less answers we will find.

What is the meaning of life? Lets stop asking and starting doing. Jim Collins in his best seller "Good to Great" looks at life as he describes the attributes of a Level 5 Leader. This is someone who is "fanatically driven, infected with an incurable need to produce results...who will look out the window to attribute praise for results and yet looks in the mirror to take 100% responsibility for his actions" Someone who truly understands the meaning of life, that life itself is the gift, is by nature a Level 5 Leader in life.

I contemplate this issue in an attempt to understand that if I look at my own efforts, actions, talents and existence, I will say thank you to a higher power for giving me this precious gift. I will become relentless in the pursuit of all that I can accomplish in order to utilize my talents to the fullest. I vow never to make excuses for my lack of results; to commit to an attitude of awe in my existence.

Yes, life is in itself an amazing gift. When we really understand this fact, we can begin to understand the meaning of life.