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Power Of Idea

In A World Of Possibilities

Joseph Obi-Okonkwo

Prologue

Readership reflections

The time to acquire and leverage human abilities, and to challenge the turf terrain of life is here.

This book, takes us to the very question of who and what that makes the being in our being. It is a classical allusion of the author's craving, and attempts at unearthing those things that inhibits man from unleashing his full potentials to the world.

Have you ever wondered why some people become a superstar at an early stage of their lives, without formal, informal education or training, while many people retire in their old age without anything to show even with much education and informal training acquired. This is one of the big puzzles that this book comes to solve. The more poser, the more the readers get stuck, as the contents thrills, captivates, and keeps every reader in suspense to the very end.

Introducing, a book that blends academics with ideas. It is a must-read by every teen/youth of this generation.

Do you want to dissect and boost your thought views of life? Do you want to develop creative and talent-capacity?

This is the push that you have been looking for. You too have the power to be a superstar, ignite the fire now.

If you are looking for an idea that will challenge you, then, look no further. This book is for you.

In this book, readers will have the opportunity to explore and be exposed to the success secret of some of the world's most talked-about personalities, such as; Bill Gates, Steve Jobs, Margaret Thatcher, Abraham Lincoln, Aliko Dangote, Chinua Achebe, Mark Zuckerberg, Mike Adenuga, Ejike Mbaka, Innocent Chukwuma, just to mention a few.

This book, prides itself of over 200 in-book quotable quotes, catchy illustrations with pictorial and statistical analysis of some of these notable world personalities who defiled the circumstances of their birth to hit the top of their careers. In addition, every chapter has chapter introduction and discourse overview, and much more.

This book is a fusion of academics, ideas, talent and creativity.

So, be prepared as we travel through this life-changing motivational and inspiring nugget of all time. This is a route you will love to pass through in your lifetime.

Welcome aboard ship, loaded with contents, and filled with ideas. Let's sail together.

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I am delighted to be reaching out to billions of book lovers all over the world through this book from my little and humble quarter here in Abuja, Nigeria, where I presently domicile.

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I doff my hat for you all, Thank you.

Joseph Obi-Okonkwo.

Reviewer's Comments

- This book has introduced some new dimensions in success theory, I congratulate the author.

Sabastine Okafor [JP]

***Group* News Editor, Daily Star Newspapers, Enugu**

- This book will shape your worldview in more ways than you ever imagined. It is like a tonic wine that energizes the mind.

Barr. Charles Ibeh.,

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- With this book, your life will never remain the same, I am an eyewitness.

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Reviewer's Comments

- **T**his is the very book that shook my world of reasoning to its very foundation. It is a whole pack of positive influences I can tell you

  Chinasa Ezumah, **Youth Corp Member, Ogun State.**

- **T**his book has made me realize how wasteful I have been with my idea. After going through its contents, I have resolved to always challenge all thoughts as they come to me, and this attitude has made me become an after-source person in my area of profession, i.e. journalism. It's indeed a masterpiece. I doff my hat for this author. This is a well-done job, congratulations.

  Fidelisuma Mmalive.

  Group Editor in Chief; Legist Star News Magazine.

- **I** have read several books through all ages, but this book is something else. It has not only taught me to dream dreams but has also shown me how to harness and live with my dreams. Since I put up its laid down principles to my daily activities, I must confess that my life has taken a new leaf.

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- **E**very book has its unique ideas and messages, but no book has a better idea for any person's lifestyle than that book that has challenged such an individual's existence. This book has not only challenged me but has equally provided me with starter's kits on how to navigate the tough terrain in life, as it has built in me some levels of self-confidence in executing those ideas that come to me. With the experience

and lessons that I had encountered in the course of reading this book, I therefore, wholeheartedly recommend this book to all ages in the society, especially the youths and students. Kudos to the Author.

Hon. Lawal Yakubu Gada.

He is the Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director of Greenado International Ltd, and also a Former Member and Chairman of, Appropriation Committee, Sokoto State House of Assembly, Sokoto.

I sincerely appreciate the author for the wisdom behind this book, as it has brought forward some ideas that could propel today's teens/youths' towards striving to a greater height. It has great and refreshing ideas that will be a panacea for the teens/youths' creativity and attitudinal change. Teens/youths of any school age and beyond will definitely appreciate the reach and rich content in this book

Anonymous; Amazon Reviewer

Have you ever wondered why some people became a superstar at an early stage of their lives even without formal or informal education, while many people retire in their old age without anything to show even with much education and informal training acquired. This book is meant to help everyone dissect and solve these life's puzzles quicker than anyone could ever imagine or wished. It is a must-read inspirational content.

Tina Ukaegbu (Mrs) Jos.

Always monitor the type of books your children/wards read. But also note that, if they read nothing or read nonsense, you are at fault. This is one of the many books that I will encourage all to read. It has all the niches of a well-researched content.

Publisher's advice

Foreword

I have taken up this responsibility of putting forward the foreword to this book for so many reasons. One of which is that; the contents of this book have significantly addressed the core issues bordering the society today. These include; teen/youth's creativity, talent-hunt, attitudinal change, value orientation and re-orientation, among others.

Among our youthful populace, talent-hunt, creativity, self-reliance and value re-orientation are the most talked-about issues today in both local and international discourse, and any form meant to address and promote this discourse; should be supported by all, including my humble self.

I am therefore excited that the man, Joseph Obi-Okonkwo, a Nigerian, has taken up the courage and has made a significant effort in this book towards addressing these issues that could enhance creativity and talent-hunt capacity among the citizenry of the world.

The book; Power Of Idea In A World Of Possibilities, is one book no one should ignore, as it has come to enrich the mind and attitude of mankind as humans relate with their environments and one another, as it has equally created a new chapter in man's way of thinking and doing things.

Another area of focus in the recent past among governments of nations and organizations is wealth creation through creativity and self-reliance. Several efforts have been made to create an enabling platform that would ensure that there is a workable solution from these efforts, but all have hit brick walls.

This book should be seen as such; a positive contribution by an individual to support this global discourse.

This book; Power of Ideas in a World of Possibilities is a positive

outlook and contribution by this author in challenging

mankind on the need to do more for the environment by exploring the creative ingenuity that abounds in every being.

I, therefore, want to align with the interest and postulation of this author in this book, that the culture of talent-hunt, creativity, value re-orientation and self-reliance, should be fostered and encouraged by stakeholders among the youths, so as to support the youths to withstand the challenges in today's world.

Research has proved that one motivated by the understanding of the challenges in the environment ahead of time and the possibilities that abound therein; is easier to adapt to a higher level of creativity.

This book has also come to fill the vacuum that has hitherto been created and neglected by various writers in the past.

Like other books in this category; this book does not give anyone fish, rather it teaches and shows everyone how to fish-out things within one's being. It is the very book that would help everyone to pursue, run and discover the idea inherent in their creativity being much easier and earlier than they could or had ever imagined.

This is an ideal book for everyone and every home. It is written in a readability-enhanced manner and it is expected to thrill every reader to the last word.

I strongly recommend this book to everyone, especially to the students in the junior, senior colleges and tertiary levels of education. And to the employed, unemployed, graduates, businessmen and women alike. Traders and artisans too, would also find the ideas in this book very interesting, educative and refreshing to the mind.

This book in its entirety, is a warning to those who treat the

sacred gift of idea to mankind with levity.

Finally, I believe that if the ideas in this book are applied jealously, it would catapult the world view of many and every reader to a height that anyone could ever and had ever imagined.

I, therefore, enjoin everyone who desires a resounding success in their life's ambition and pursuit, to get a copy of this masterpiece; who knows, among the readers, may lie among the million heroes and heroines of the world's populace that are in the making through its reach and rich contents.

Good luck to every reader.

Thomas Aggrey

Accredited and Certified Amazon Book Reviewer

Based in Houston Texas, U.S.A

Preface

This short but idea-empowered book; is a no holds-barred discourse on the benefits of exploring and harnessing the power of ideas inherent in humans, as a tool in breaking life's jinxes. It is scripted to help every individual being, unleash to the world that genius that lives within self, as its contents will not only help you expose, explore and express to the world that creative instinct in you, but would also help you to discover the real "you" that lives in "you", and in your being.

This book is significant in many aspects;

First, it will not only avail to the readers the opportunity of drinking from the wisdom cups of the great minds, as the book unveils several characters in the stories shared, but has also revealed the secret of the propelling forces behind the making of heroes and heroines the world over. The author expects readers to take some clues from these stories shared.

> ***"The world is your home; the earlier you know this fact and start arranging it to your advantage, the better for you"***

Secondly; this book is specifically designed to help every reader to checkmate those things that have relegated men to the threshold of history as mere spectators of events in a society where they are born to be active participants.

Thirdly; with the contents and postulations in this book,

readers will come to the understanding that every being has come to the world to play a specific role.

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These roles that every one of us are playing is what the world and indeed our immediate society needs to get moving; for where there is no us, the world cannot also be.

You can imagine what would have been left of the world if the people in it did nothing or are doing nothing to enhance its progress. Be prepared and arise to lay your impact if you are not already doing so, as what is in you are inventions of great significance. Don't die with it, nor allow it to die in you.

"Failure teaches one how not to do the old things in the old way"

As you get set to harness the ideas contained in this book, I want you to understand first-hand that this world belongs to you too. You are not a stranger and you should never view and see yourself as such.

This is our world; by this phrase, I mean you and my world. No single individual or individuals were selected to own the world as a-personal property or estate. This world is our home on earth. You have to accept these facts as undiluted truth as you take on the journey in it.

It is an irony that while many people live in the world and are enjoying the largesse that is in it, several others are living in it as mere spectators with no significant accomplishments.

But frankly speaking, how do you view the world around you or how do you see and interact with the world that you are living in? You should take a pulse to answer these questions, then come back to this book for more posers. This question should hibernate in the minds of all being that live in it, as the level of knowledge one has about

the world would speak volume of how they will relate to it.

In the observation of John Maxwell; he had intuitively put; that the largest nation on earth is that of the nation of "imagination".

That people live in this nation called "imagination" is not just a fact but also an act of self-deceit. Yes, you can see the world and imagine yourself as a superstar, but don't live your life in these thoughts of only imagining how things are or how things may be. Those who live in this nation of imagination, only live in a fool's paradise, as they may never have the opportunity of living in the real world to partake in the welfare that it provides.

> ***"This book is specifically designed to help readers checkmate those things that relegates men to the threshold of history as a mere spectator of events in a society where they are born to be active participants"***

For you to live in the real world, you must come out of that self-deceit, called "nation" of "imagination" and initiate a-new thinking and a new beginning of life around you, where people will feel the impact of your existence through your actions and how you respond to the issues of life through your contribution to your environment.

In this nation of imagination, you only live there alone, because nobody is with you in your thoughts, not until you make such thoughts available to the benefit of the people around you through what you produce out of it and out of you.

This book has been carefully scripted to expose every reader to the consequences of living inside and outside of this "nation" called imagination.

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Every nugget and page has been carefully selected to introduce to everyone reading this book to a time-tested and adaptable formula of confronting the challenges that life brings our way with the correct mindset.

This book further affirms that in today's world, everything is possible; our successes and our failures, the choice is up to us.

All you need to do is; always have this book with you, read, meditate and apply the principles, and your life will be better for it.

This book is also illustrated with the stories of notable world icons who explored and those who are still exploring the world with the power of ideas inherent in their being to rule their environments in their chosen career.

"*You* have the answer to all your life's challenges; use them, it's within you"

These notable icons include but are not limited as mentioned; Abraham Lincoln, the American war-time President. The circumstance of his birth and how he conquered the challenges therein to write his name in gold in the heart of mankind, to date, remains one of the greatest events of modern civilization.

Also, John Forbes, a man whose survival instinct has smashed the glass ceiling for having hit the world stage without arms, also comes into focus in our discourse.

Other notable personalities include; Barak Hussein Obama; He is the first and only African-American President to emerge in America's over two hundred years of history. Aldrin Gagarin, the first man that landed on the moon, Williams Bill Gate, Steve Job, Mark Zuckerberg Africa's Aliko Dangote, Mike

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Mbaka; Among others, also come into focus.

The efforts and contributions of these men to their society and the world at large; were not only noted and appreciated in the book; but also formed some of the high points in the book discourse.

Among the womenfolk, we have the likes of; Margaret Thatcher, Mary Slessor, Margaret Smith Court, Margaret Ekpo, just to mention but a few. These are some of the women of our generation, who were not born with silver spoons, yet many lived and many others are still living their dreams.

> ***"No idea is better than the other, as every idea is meant to meet and serve a specific purpose and value"***

The above analyses are just a few cases among the several men and women of note who did not only achieve their lifetime dreams but equally hit the world stage by sticking to the power of ideas inherent in their being.

With the present gadget of technological know-how and knowledge, you and I can surpass these feats.

Whoever you are and whatever you are, I want you to arm yourself with the lessons in this book; that in this world, anything and everything is possible for anyone, even you; your successes, your failures, the choice is up to every individual being.

I believe that this book will meet your needs in one way or the other as it has met mine and many others.

Once again, there is a take-home idea in this book for

In a world of possibilities

Man On The Moon; The Height Of Man's Adventure And Creativity.

Neil Armstrong, an American astronaut, became the first man to walk on the moon. This is when he made a voyage to the moon on July 20, 1969, alongside Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin.

Inset; is Neil Armstrong, carrying out an experiment in front of the Apollo 11 landing vehicle.

Indeed, what a man thinks, so he is.

Can there be a better way to take on life?

everyone. Position your mind and thoughts to receive yours.

By the postulation in this book, the author has only failed to suppress but has vacated that burden placed on him from expressing that talent that God has given to him.

"What is in you are inventions of great dimension. Don't die with it, nor allow it to die in you."

I do not by any means, claim that this work is the best by any standard, nor claim that it is perfect since we all know that there is no best nor perfection in human beings. But this work is an expression of humanity of one of those God's given talents that lives in me. I would wholeheartedly take it to God; and lay claim that this is one of the things that I did with the talents that he gave to me.

Let this book be a motivating factor to every reader towards the realization of the talent God gave to every being. Always remember that on the day of Glory, every one of us will be answerable to the Almighty, the question; what did you do with the talent that I gave to you? This book will help us to learn together and unravel this puzzle to humanity.

I equally take responsibility for all the errors noticed in this book, either structural, grammatical, typographical, or in whichever form it may have existed. In whichever form it comes, I sincerely beg for your forgiveness, as I promise to make amend in the subsequent editions.

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You can now also, through the contents in this book, help those teens/youths around you develop their creative and talent-hunt capacity by helping them to dissect and boost their idea immune systems. A copy of this book would do the magic.

"With that idea hibernating in you; if well exploited and explored, you too will be breaking a jinx in the race of humanity"

If you can't get this book for yourself, make sure that you don't deny those children/siblings/wards around you the opportunity of getting and reading one.

(... AND NOTE THIS; WHEN YOU PURCHASE THIS BOOK AS A GIFT FOR SOMEONE, YOU ARE INDEED HELPING TO RAISE A GENERATION SUPERSTAR)

Finally, I welcome every constructive criticism that would help to reshape the contents of this book in the future. It is my earnest desire that you get this message as is.

Joseph Obi-Okonkwo

Author

NUGGET #1

This Is Your World

"The reasonable man adapts himself to the world, but the unreasonable man persists in trying to adapt the world to himself"

...George Bernard Shaw

#1

Discourse Overview

This nugget; takes a holistic view of the world concerning the concept of theories and views of the individuals that live in it. It also provides readers with a thought view of the imaginative and creative approach of harnessing the potential that are in it, while drawing lessons from the wisdom cup of the great minds who hit the top of their careers with the power inherent in their ideas.

This Is Your World

" We are the world, we are the children, and we are the ones who make a brighter day, so let's start giving".

Michael Jackson, Kenny Rogers, et al.

The above quote, aptly reminds one of the most

celebrated musical group concerts that shook the world's air-wave in the 80s, tagged; USA FOR AFRICA.

As this song says, we are the world; I want to say it to you also, you are among those referred to as "we", and by reality, the world is your home on earth. You are a

partaker and stakeholder in the goodness thereof.

In Karl Marx's theory of classless society, he averred that the history of man is characterized by the history of class struggle; among these are, the haves and the have not, the rich and the poor, the proletariat and the bourgeoisie. With the postulation of this theory, it is evident that since ages past and now, there is inherent rivalry among the inhabitants of the world.

So, which side of the divide do you find yourself, or are you seeing yourself? How you choose to see yourself in the affairs of this world and where you belong, will go a long way to determine how far you will see and relate with your environment and the world at large, and this will determine what you will get out of it too.

As you also embark on the journey of life, do not allow

anybody to intimidate you into accepting that you are born to take the back seat all through your lifetime. Nobody is born into this world as a stranger. Before God, we are all

born and made equal in his image and likeness.

This world is our home. It's your home, it's my home, and it is a home to everyone that lives in it. The earlier we all know and accept these as indisputable facts of life, the better. The knowledge of these facts of life; would also form the nucleus of how we relate and interact with the world and the people that live in it.

Take a look around you. What do you see? Wonders I suppose; it's only Adam, Eve, heaven, earth, and some natural features around us that came through divine providence; others are the inventions and innovations of men through the harness of ideas inherent in humans.

This is a gift endowed on everyone by natural providence. We all have this gift; the difference is how we apply it to our daily lives and activities.

"The greatest innovation by mankind to the world is yet to come from man, this still live in the mind of many; it may be living in you and may never be born if you don't release it"

The inventors we all know and talk about today were like you and me. They also had their challenges, difficulties, and setbacks. They had little or nothing to lean on during their time, yet they did not pass through the environment and by extension the world unnoticed. They were propelled by the needs of their environments, and also the desire to create in their midst a better world to enjoy the bounties that are in it. They saw the world as their home and therefore went all the way to equip it to enjoy the best comfort.

With the foregoing, it took a group of radicals to instigate the renaissance Europe that gave birth to revolutionary France; it took the arrival of George Washington for the Americans to be liberated from the colonial yoke of the Great British after several years of economic, political and social exploitation and subjugation.

In Africa and Asia, men like Nkwameh Nkrumah of Ghana, Nnamdi Azikiwe of Nigeria, Nelson Mandela of South Africa, Julius Nyerere of Tanzania, Lee Kuan Yew of Singapore, and host of other nationalists, were among those individuals within their geographical enclaves who exploited and explored the opportunities that came calling at their time to stamp their footprints on the sand of time.

Their names to date, still loom large in the hearts of their fellow compatriots, and on the world stage and discourse. In today's world, these names are listed among the world's famous personalities who came, who saw. and who conquered their environments through the power of ideas inherent in their being.

"In This World, Everything Is Profitable, Even That Stone Next To You"

To have conquered an environment does not mean that they destroyed it, no; they left it better than they met it by exploring, expressing, harnessing, and releasing the potential inherent in their ideas to better the lots that are in it.

Those wonderful opportunities they had may as well be wished away by them, just as many before them did, and many of us in the present age and time may be wishing or may have wished away so many wonderful ideas that have come to us; rather, they used the power inherent in their

ideas to identify that something fundamental which inhabits and restrained them from effective maximization of the potentials of their beings were missing in the environment and they sorted out the means to fill it.

For instance, Nelson Mandela, the world-acclaimed most celebrated African that ever lived, did not become great because he became the President of South Africa, of-course not; they were other presidents before him. He simply became great for leading the crusade against imperialism, social segregation, and injustice perpetrated by the British-led and organized colonial domination of his native home, South Africa. He defiled every colonial threat to kill the last vestige of the notorious apartheid policy of the British-led regime which has not only relegated his people to the threshold of history but a state of nothingness among the comity of nations.

It was believed that he spent twenty-seven years in prison to achieve this feat, even when he had several offers and choices of denouncing the struggle in exchange for his freedom; yet, he refused to do so for the sake of humanity and the people of his native land, South Africa.

"Your idea lives in you, and its only you and you alone can bring it out and express it to the man next to you"

We all are today, proud to be forerunners of a man like Nelson Mandela. This is not because he had all the riches of the world; but for his choice in standing and fighting for the course of humanity.

It may interest you to know that Nelson Mandela had suffered untold harm and hardship to achieve this feat, even against his career, health, and family status.

In the study of the womenfolk, ladies like; Mary Slessor, Indira Gandhi, Margaret Smith Court, Margaret Thatcher, Margaret Ekpo; readily comes to mind. Their contributions to the advancement of their environments have helped in no small way altered the course of the events in the world's scene, especially in the struggle for the relevance of the feminine folks in the society they also live in.

Mary Slessor for instance, did not become famous because she is the only missionary that came to Calabar, Nigeria, West Africa nor the only woman to have done so. She became famous for being the only missionary that came to Calabar and confronted head-long the killing of twins in that region.

This act of hers; endeared her to the hearts of her compatriots. She did not only win the battle by putting an end to the incessant killing of twins in that region; but won the admiration of all. Today, she is being celebrated as a heroine of a sort.

"The reflection you see in the mirror of your world is what it is to you. What you create inside it is what you will produce outside it"

Another woman of note who exploited the power of ideas inherent in her being, is, Margaret Thatcher.

She is popularly referred to in the British lexicon as the "Iron Lady" of Great Britain. I guess most of us should remember her. But for the benefit of those who were not

born during the time of her exploits, she was the first woman that took the place of a man at No. 10, Downing Street, the official residence of the British Prime Minister, as the first female Prime Minister of Great Britain.

She achieved this fame at a time when women's voices were relegated to the background in the world scene. By this feat, globally acclaimed as the renaissance of the womenfolk in politics, as this is what gave the female folks hope and belief in their creative ingenuity, Margaret Thatcher stamped her name in the heart of her generation and the unborn generations. Today, modern women with such undying spirit, strength, and Courage, are believed to be the forerunners of this Thatcher's myth.

"Idea brings discovery in the quest of man's search for an egalitarian society"

Margaret Smith Court is also another woman of substance that has positively affected her generation; She is an apt description of Margaret Sanger's words; when she wrote thus; *a woman must not accept; she must challenge, she must not be awed by that which has been built up around her. She must reverence that woman in her whom she struggles for expression".*

The name, Margaret Smith Court, always rings a bell when the issue of 21st -century female inspirational leaders comes into discourse. The life she lives and the sagacity in which she applied to live it has not only inspired the today's women but to the rest of humanity in general. Despite her little and humble beginning, she eventually made the world headlines, when she hit the world stage and emerged

as world No.1 in a Female Tennis sporting event as its Champion, a position she dominated for several years.

Born as 4th child into the family of Smith, a factory worker in Albury, New South Wales in the Gulf of the Continent, in Australia City in the early 1940s.

She had held to her natural endowed skills and talents in the sport of table tennis, that she is been referred to as the Queen of the game for haven successfully played the game and becoming a champion on the court for several years.

Margaret Smith Court; eventually retired from the game; and went into full-time Christian life ministration. She founded the; Victory Life Christian Centre, located in Perth, in the Gulf of Australia.

"Whatever your products are, it is your idea in physical manifestation."

She has through this ministry, taken the message of God's Kingdom across the continents of the world. As a world-acclaimed leader of note. She has championed and advocated the right of the woman-folk, equity, and equality of all races, in her belief that all humans are equal, been created in the image of God and His likeness.

She has been a front line campaigner against same-sex marriage, and has used the platform of the pulpit to speak strongly against states' legalization of same-sex marriage, not only in Australia but across the world.

Here also comes the story of Nigerian Margaret Ekpo.

Appraising Margaret Ekpo's exploits, she is a Nigerian woman who also defiled all known logic to hit the world center stage with the power of ideas inherent in her being.

She made world newspaper's headlines in 1929 when she championed the struggle to stop what was seen as incessant harassment of women and illegal taxation imposed on them by the colonial warrant chiefs of the British-led colonial masters.

She mobilized the womenfolk in a naked match that gave birth to the famous Aba women's riot, an event in Aba, Abia State of Nigeria, West Africa that to date, still constitutes a subject of discussion in global history.

There is one thing common among these great minds as discussed, they identified a need in their environments and sorted out means of confronting it head-long not minding the obstacles, challenges, nor whose ox is gored.

"No mind is an island; we learn better when we do research in other people and institutional successes"

There are other notable individuals whose invaluable contributions to humanity, even with fewer opportunities as we have them today have left us equally challenged. Man as John F. Kennedy puts it, is still the most extraordinary computer of all ages.

European renaissance as had earlier mentioned and discoursed, is popularly known and referred to as, the re-birth of the mind in Europe. This era paved the way for the European revolution.

This Is Your World

The 'Renaissance' was an era in the history of Europe that saw great cultural development. This era marked the renewal of mankind's interest in his contact and interaction with his environment.

It started in Italy and spread across Europe, leading to great changes and inventions in various fields which would later have profound and long-lasting effects in all of Europe and across the world to date.

According to historical facts, some of the most famous works in arts and literature, science and philosophy as we know them today, came into being during this era.

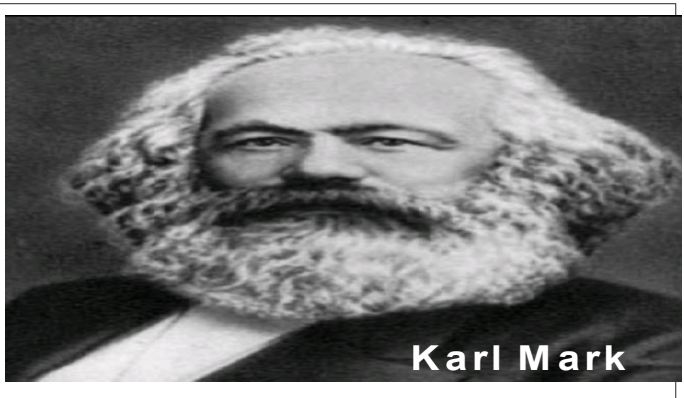
> ***"Idea can never exhaust its essence, as humanity has always live every day in fear and cherish of it"***

Before this era which is categorized in history as the medieval age, men did not see the world as their home; rather, they believed that they were on a pilgrimage on Earth en-route heaven. They refused to explore the rich potentials that abound in their environments and their beings.

But the arrival of the Renaissance mind changed all these, as man began to identify and appreciate the ideas inherent in their beings and their relevance to their environments and sorted out a better way of identifying and relating with them.

The results were astonishing as they exposed all that is inherent in man and also introduced him to new ways of relating to his environment.

Since the discovery of this ingenuity in man's innovative instinct, humanity has never been the same as this era witnessed discoveries, innovations, and inventions of great



Karl Marx: His theory on classless society revolutionized the world

Karl Marx's theory on classless society became the

motivation for all human races to stand up for their right. Remember this age-long saying, before God, we're all made equal in his image and likeness. Do not allow anyone to make you believe that you are born to take a back seat all through your lifetime. Whatever your dream is, go for it now. It is all yours to live with it and in it.

Inset is; a portrait of Karl Mark, a 19th-century Philosopher.

dimension more than humanity could imagine. Thanks to the new knowledge of the power of ideas found in their being that is inherent in the mind which they deployed to the benefit of humanity.

The European Revolution which could be said to be a fallout of the European Renaissance, is a crusade of a group of radical minds who came together to question the belief system as practiced by the ancient regime in Europe.

"If you manifest faith to your idea, you have gotten all weapons for its success"

The architects of these revolutionary movements were not comfortable with the system of government they met and lived in and therefore sorted out means to effect a change.

These radicals took a bold steps to question the relevance of the old system and the need to maintain the status quo. These men were propelled by the power of the ideas that are inherent in their creative ingenuity to explore their environments and harness its potential towards making it a better place.

With you identifying and harnessing that power in your idea, you too can become the renaissance man of today's world, George Washington of your environment, or any of these notable minds that came out of Africa, Asia, and the Caribbean.

Looking inside you, what do you see that is in you that has not been made manifest to the outside of you? I mean, what have you done to register your relevance to your environment?. Or is your mind still that of the pre-renaissance

man, who believed that the world has attained its limit, hence should make do with what is available and reachable?

We really, have to look out to those areas where we could register our relevance in our environment to make it better than we met it.

It is my belief that the greatest invention and innovation of mankind and by mankind are yet to come from man, these still lives in the mind of many of us, they may be living in you or living in me, and may never be born if you or I fail to release it to the environment that we are living in.

Every being is a genius been created in God's image and likeness. So, you have to arouse the ingenuity deposited in your being for your benefit and the benefit of your environment and countrymen.

Those relics of ideas in you can present a new dawn in the world scene if explored and exposed to the world you live in. And by this effort, you too will be leaving the world better than you met it.

"Yes, every situation you find your self is where you have taken yourself into*, and it's* all yours to live in it. How you take on life is how you will see it"

Like the Renaissance men and minds, you too can initiate the process of exploring the power inherent in your idea. What may come out of it, may be what you have been waiting for to move you to the next stage in life or announce your arrival on the world stage. And in it, you and the world that you live in will be better for it.

Before we conclude this nugget, I want you to take a look

at your image in a mirror; the reflection you see in the mirror is your image and that is what you really are, and your world to live in. What you create inside it, is what you will produce outside it.

All you see in your image are yours; you have to start accepting it as a fact of life because it is the reality of the world you have created around you.

> ***"Those relics of idea that hibernates in you can present a new dawn in the world scene if explored and exposed to the world you live in"***

There is nothing in your world that you have not and will not see through the images of reflection; your opportunities, and that of your possibilities, it is all yours to explore, exploit and express to your world.

To make or to mare it in this world where everything is possible, the choice is up to us.

NUGGET #2

The Millionaire In You

"Whether you like it or not, there is such a thing as the millionaire mentality".

…. Charles Albert Poissant

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Discourse Overview

This nugget; explores the abundance of resources that is in excess reserve inherent in our being. In the words of John F. Kennedy, "man is still the most extraordinary computer of all ages". Suffice this to mean that without man, nothing can exist or nothing thus exists.

The computer and other innovations and inventions of note, all came through the imaginative creativity of humans, just to assist man in fashioning a better and best way to a prosperous living and harmonious interaction with the environment.

Therefore, there is nothing man cannot do. So, every man is a-raw gold waiting to be processed into a finished product. The way you are processing that rawness in your gold being will determine the quality of the product that will come out of it or do I say the way you are presently; is you showing the world the level of the gold in your being.

This nugget has been carefully scripted to expose mankind to a better way of appreciating the way and manner man interacts with the environment. These nuggets admonish us to always believe that every individual is; in his or her own, their "own" best friend and at the same time, their "own" worst enemy. And therefore, the earlier we understand the strength and weaknesses of our beings, the better.

The Millionaire In You

The Constitution only guarantees the pursuit of happiness, but you have to catch up with it yourself.

Gill Robb Wilson

Life is all about attitude, it's either you are succeeding with the right attitude or you are failing with the wrong one. A world leader once noted; if you think well, say well, and act well, then, it shall be well. You will never succeed with the wrong attitude nor fail with the right one. If you ever desired to become successful in life, you should always be driven with positive thoughts.

Whenever the thought of success comes to me, what follows in my thought is the mindset of Albert Poissant's millionaire mentality postulations; I will begin to see myself as a successful being in any venture that I am embarking on, even before the blast of the whistle.

I mean, that in any venture that you are embarking on, you must prepare for it and factor your mind and thoughts towards achieving great success in it. You must, as Poissant wrote, always have the millionaire mindset.

Remember this slogan that goes thus; for you to become a millionaire, first you must believe and think like the millionaires. Remember also this saying; what you think, is what you are.

The millionaires or do I add this; the trillion dollars men and women out there, have their mentalities, thinking, and doing habits. If you are dreaming of becoming like one of them, you must change your thoughts and views to conform to these types of positive mentality mindsets.

What is in your thought presently? Your thought is your attitude, this you must know. Can your thoughts take you to the understanding of those things that men do and don't do that make them become millionaires or the trillion dollars men and women of the past or that of today?

What are those things that men think and do and those things that men don't think and don't do, that make them become millionaires? This puzzle must be unraveled by every being in order, for everyone to create their own millionaire or that of trillion dollars men and women mentality mindsets.

For you to avail yourself of this millionaire's mentality and have the opportunity of being found in the list of the millionaires' clubs, the simple approach to this is for you to analyze your actions and in-actions of your lifestyle.

"Your step up in life is a matter of your attitude and perception of events around you"

And if you see that you are not making the expected progress in your life's set out goals, all you need is attitudinal change; re-plan and re-set your actions. And always ensure that while doing this, you are not in any form, been put under pressure in mapping out your methodology in achieving your goals. The next step is to believe and have confidence in what you do and expect a good result from it.

In his book, Tough Times Never Last; But Tough People Do;

Robert Harold Schuller; had narrated how he defeated the negative instincts in his attitude that has held him down from the optimal expression of his being to the world.

First and foremost, he suppressed those negative thoughts

in him, I mean those things that have constituted a danger to his self-actualization. The resultant effects were enormous, as it announced him to the world.

Robert Harold Schuller had his experience; I had my

experience too, as well as every one of us at one time or the other may have been presented with own similar experiences. The difference is the mode of attitude each of us had adopted while confronting and handling these experiences.

Permit me to share my experience with you here.

To script my first poem, Path To Success, which was followed in quick succession by my first book, Life Possibilities, and many others that followed, including this book title, Power Of Ideas; In A World Of Possibilities, I applied this Robert Harold. Schuller's attitudinal

change philosophy; by changing my attitude for the optimum maximization of my potential. This is what I called R. H. Schuller's

attitude-matics theorem.

"You will notice the presence of idea in you when you identify where your mind takes you to, too often"

Foremost, as R.H Schuller did, I changed my attitude by replacing all the negative thoughts in me, such as suspicion,

fear, depression, distress, anger doubt, sadness, worry,

jealousy, I can't do it attitude, laziness, etc, with positive thoughts such as faith, humour courage, optimism,

confidence, strength, and so on.

In this Attitude-matics theorem, positive emotion and thoughts stimulate and replaces negative emotions and thoughts, whereas negative thoughts and emotions were discarded into the dustbin.

With this R. H Schuller's attitude-matics theorem approach that craves into my thoughts, I saw a lot of changes come into my life and my ideas.

If you too can apply this R.H. Schuller's attitude-matics

theorem philosophy to your situations, you too will also start seeing yourself as that I can do person' because there is nothing you cannot do on the earth's surface. Your step up in life is a matter of your attitude and perception of events around you.

With this newfound "attitude-matics theorem" now living in my being, I started seeing myself as that "I can do person". It thus stimulated my desire to venture into the art of creative writing.

The thought came to me to summon courage if I ever needed to harness my ideas and potential to the fullest.

With this my newfound attitude-matics theorem, I never knew that I was exposing some people

weaknesses, sharing some other's

opinions and criticizing other's views, until I applied them to my life situation, and since then, my newfound

approach to doing things overran my emotions, anxiety

"Idea does not have a well in the heart of anybody, if it comes to you and you refuse to explore it, it leaves for others"

Power of Idea: the Williams Bill Gate's Story

William Bill Gates is the founder of Microsoft Corporation International, the worldwide leader in software services and solutions that help people and businesses realize their full potential.

His entry into the computer world was fueled by his thinking that the computer would be a valuable tool on every office desktop and in every home, and he was right. His passion drove him to his desired success.

Today, a documentary of computer history cannot come to a blissful end without the mention of Williams Bill Gates, who explored the power of his idea to better the lots in the society he was born into.

Inset is; a portrait of William Bill Gates, who had for several years, emerged as the richest man in the world for his invention and innovation of Microsoft.

Can your passion drive you to your success, Uhhmm!

and fear, as I started seeing the best of me, inside of me.

I have to reveal to you this secret, when I launched myself as a young poet, the least kobo that I spent to produce what later became one of my most successful works in recent times "Path To Success" was borrowed.

Before then, I have always harbored these negative thoughts in me, these never do well mentality; like, what if I fail, will people ever buy my idea, this is not the best of work anyway, you are not a born writer, like the Chinua Achebes, the Chi-Amandas, the Soyinkas. There are other better writers and books out there, my money and efforts might go down the drain, and so on.

All these thoughts filled and clouded my mind, emotion, and reasoning; and these thoughts for too long greatly stalled my efforts towards the successful execution of my pet dream project, a masterpiece that whenever I remember its contents, makes me have hope for a blossoming future.

"Until you stop neglecting those things around you that you consider too small and starts Manifesting solution on its usefulness and transformation, you may never make it"

At this stage, it was indeed one of my many life's dreams being put up on the altar of sacrifice by fear, anxiety, uncertainty, just name it. And this is by no other person than the idea bearer, my humble self.

But when I applied this R. H. Schuller's attitude-matics theorem, all these negative thoughts in me changed for good, as I began to have positive thoughts for my ideas, like, who are you waiting for before you go for your pet project, this

is a mere contribution of an idea to the world that I live in, why can't I do what many others have done and more will still do and many are doing; forget the pains and the gains and go for your dream, this is your idea, the first of its kind.

All these thoughts came to my mind. And with this attitude

matics theorem, lots of courage came into me, even the courage of withstanding failure or any other outcome.

At this point, I started seeing myself as an accomplished poet, far before I went for production, and today, I can be counted among the poets that Nigeria and humanity have produced.

I equally applied this attitude-matics theorem to my other life's vocations and creative writing, other things followed and today, I am an accomplished poet/author of repute, as I finally send to the gutter that burden in me that has hindered me from the expression of my idea to the world outside me.

You too can be better off with your idea if you can suppress that burden which makes it impossible for you to express it to the rest of us.

We all have one idea or the other

within our being, as well as we all

have one thing or the other that inhabits and constrains these ideas in us from being released to the world outside us. But with this R. H.

"In This World, Everything Is Profitable, Even That Stone Next To You"

Schuller's attitude-matics theorems philosophy, if jealously harnessed, you are just like many others, and like me, on your path to the accomplishments of your lifetime goals.

This is the version of that poem;

"Success is the expected end of every action.

When you fail to succeed, never you believe that you succeeded to fail;

Success is sure, the failure is just mental.

What life needs is courage determination and perseverance.

Always believe in God, and put in your best at all times.

Your success may not be too near, but the delay should not signal fear of failure, but rather an edge for better success.

Man cannot hold your success except you.

Always be positive-minded, you have an appointment with success.

Be steadfast, hold on to your dreams.

With God, success is sure".

In our world today, you too can as well apply this attitude-matics theorem to your situation by substituting all negative thoughts in your mind and replacing them with positive thoughts, and you will

arrive at the power of strength,

commitment, and ability to harness the best of your world. We all are a-born millionaires with that talent of unending expectation inherent in our beings.

"If you want to construct a ladder of success of your mind, it should not end by mere desire or wish; you must swing into action to get it done"

The knowledge and application of this attitude-matics theorem, have been the mindset and joker of many successful people

towards life, and indeed the secret of their success stories, and when I applied it to my situation; my life never remain the same, as it changed my life's story too.

With this knowledge you have gotten about life, I believe you too can now ride smoothly to the top of your life's goals and ambition with ease by applying this life and time- tested principle.

This book, Power of Idea; In A World of Possibilities, may not be the best of ideas in 'Power of Ideas; in a World of Possibilities theory, but those who may have got the best of ideas have refused to see it and express it for the benefit of others.

"To become a millionaire; first, you must think, act and starts seeing yourself like the millionaires"

Based on my experience in the pursuit of my life's goals, I have come to the conclusion that an idea does not have a well in the heart of anyone; when it comes to you and you refused to exploit and express it, it leaves for others.

I don't know if you will believe me, but the fact remains that several men and women out there are making millions on per-second billing for expressing their hearts and ideas to others.

Do you know that notable personalities, like Williams Bill Gate, Jack Marr, Warren Buffet, Jeff Bezos, Leo Stan Ekeh, Aliko Dangote, Mike Adenuga, Innocent Chukwuma, and others too numerous to mention, are famous today for exploring, expressing, and releasing their ideas to the world they live in. You can be their forerunner.

These personalities; explored and exploited the power inherent in their ideas to announce their arrival on the world stage.

Some of them; used the medium that the communication technology platform has created in their environments to announce their arrival on the world stage, they saw

opportunities and rode on them.

The William Bill Gate's story is quite an interesting one; but not to bug you, here is the highlight. He founded the Microsoft Corporation International, the worldwide leader in software services and solution that helps people and businesses realize their full potential.

As the story was told, Bill Gates could not finish high school due to an idea he conceived. Realizing that his academic pursuit could distract him from the pursuit of this idea, he jettisoned it. He was later alongside his friends, co-founded the world-famous Microsoft

Corporation. And for several years, he was listed as the most successful and richest man of his time and generation, by Forbes Magazine.

"Aspire To That Position Where Others Look Up To, For It Is In That Position That The World Would Identify And Applaud You"

Gate's entry into the computer world was fueled by his thinking that the computer would be a valuable tool on every office desktop and in every home, and he was right. His passion drove him to his success.

To arrive at our individual life's ambition, we must as Bill Gates did, allow passion to be in the driver's seat of our life's pursuit.

Today, a documentary of computer history cannot come to a blissful end without the mention of this notable icon, called Bill Gate, who has only explored and exploited the power in his idea in his quest to better the society he was born into. Can your passion drive you to your success? uhmmmm!

Another icon of note; is of African origin, by the name, Leo Stan Ekeh. This Africa-bred innovator and inventor, will be remembered for his efforts at pioneering the first

indigenous computer technology in Nigeria, known as Zinox computers. He is believed to be a forerunner of Bill Williams Gate.

His noble efforts at venturing into his ambition, have made him not only a shining star to his generation but have listed him among the great men who lived in his time; for leading his immediate environment into the computer-revolutionized world.

There are equally other countless people as we know them today who are exhibiting these millionaire mentalities in their beings by expressing their hearts and ideas to others.

> ***"Don't allow those negative thoughts in you dwarf your zeal in the pursuit of your idea"***

Today, these men have explored and still exploring the power of their ideas to rule the world in their various fields of endeavor and environment; and thereby contributing to making the world a better place for all of us.

Let's also consider these players in the movie, music, and other areas of the entertainment industries. Those actors and actresses you see on set and stage, may not have a better

school certificate than you do, rather, they deployed the ideas inherent in their beings, fueled with passion, to

dominate their environments in their chosen endeavors.

Today, these set of people are not only exhibiting traits that have left their environments and the world to spellbind; but are also making out a living from their talents and creative ingenuity by thrilling themselves and others.

In this world, there is no idea that is better than the other, as every idea comes to fulfill a specific purpose and value. So, stop seeing that idea in you as irrelevant to your being and the society, rather, look out for the means to express it to the world outside you, as the idea in you too is meant to serve a specific purpose and value.

"Always know that when anything comes to you like thought, it is often an idea in search of its manifestation"

That idea that you saw in you but ignored, may be what you need to announce yourself in your environment and to the world. It may be what you have been waiting for to forge ahead in life. So, never you' disregard any idea as it comes to your thought. No idea is perfect or static, as every idea is a work in progress.

Let me throw some lights with this analogy; if you can remember the year that the first car hit the road, the present-day cars have made a caricature of the yesteryear's cars, as new ideas have been applied to modify it; this equally applies to the ideas of all ages.

An idea can also be so damaging, yet, the same idea is

meant to solve some problems which no other idea could have solved. Alfred Noble, for instance, invented an Atomic bomb. This invention to a great extent can extinct the world, yet that same product in itself has created a world that now lives in peace with the fear of the consequences of Alfred Noble's idea of an atomic bomb.

We all see stones around us, isn't this true? Irrespective of how idle a stone lies, it is meant for a purpose too. Stones are used in making a foundation of a building solid, for, without a stone, the thought of a solid foundation while building a house in this present age would have been a mirage.

So, no matter how useless you may see that stone around you, one day you may also see its usefulness. Remember that a stone can help a weak man defeat the strong if used in a battle, this is equally as evident in the story of David and Goliath. We all saw how David used this presumed 'ordinary' stone to kill Goliath.

"You are a born millionaire with that talent of unending expectations inherent in your being"

The airplane is today seen as the fastest way of modern-day transportation, yet when crashed, souls running to hundreds are lost in one swoop.

With the foregoing, one should understand here that idea can never exhaust its essence, as humanity has always lived every day in fear and cherish of it.

Never you; see any idea as nothing, rather, always look out in that direction where that idea in you can serve the best interest of humanity. Every idea passes through the thoughts of men to manifest to mankind.

What makes an idea to be successful, is its ability to meet divergent views from various shades of the society's opinions. Those who feel indifferent about any idea must have at the same time had drawn inspiration from that idea before haven the reason to put up criticism about such an idea.

These different viewpoints at the same time, would have inspired some minds to go for the "better" idea that would have corrected the lapses noticed in the former. This is the reason we have, for instance, various brands of products which are numerous to mention here. People often take a clue from a particular idea to create their own or something better of their mind.

"In the world today, a lot have been done, and more are needed to be done. Your idea is needed to fill this missing link. Why not arise to this challenge"?

A further illustration with a car; We have various brands of cars today. The reason for these various brands of cars is not that the first and the then only brand of cars could not do the job it was invented to do, but that people drew inspiration from the idea of a car invention to get something better.

So, from the inspiration one got through the invention of the first cars, this brought the innovation in the several brands of cars that we have today, and this has been on for ages in all ideas, and in so doing, a "better" idea is always born from the former.

As stated earlier, every idea is a continuum, as every idea is always a work in progress, but it must start from and take a clue from other ideas, from somewhere and

from someone. This is the more reason we should stop ignoring any idea that comes to us, as it's meant to be the inspiration for another idea coming next to be better or to modify the old ones.

In any case, with that your idea being born, you have contributed your viewpoint to the world you live in as posterity and history will be kind to you.

If everyone had agreed with the uniqueness of the very first car that was invented, there would not have been any reason to go for other inventions of the different models of cars nor the opportunity to have the large quantum of the brand of cars as we have them today, as the world would have miserably been living in the idea of one brand of car.

"You must always be willing and ready to withstand the heats that comes with every idea for you to be victorious in it"?

The bottom line here is that every of our idea is worth expressing and releasing to the man next to us, to our environment, and to the world at large, as this could help the society to draw a "better" idea from our individual thoughts.

And with these our ideas being put to birth, we are not only making the world prosperous, but we can then also claim to have passed through the world and the world passed through us.

You must realize that in this world still lies the greatest opportunities, and these abound everywhere. It lives in us and around us. All you see in and around you are

profitable, even that stone next to you, you only lack the idea of its usefulness to you and your environment.

"An idea does not come from the blues, but a well-laid action plan. You must think it, you must work it"

Until you stop neglecting those ideas in and around you that you consider too small or irrelevant, and start manifesting solutions on their usefulness and transformation, you may never reach out to the full realization of your life's potential and goals.

NUGGET #3

Adopt Your Winning Formula.

"It Pays To Initiate, The Ark Noah Built Was Not A Product Of Manner Falls From Heaven".

Anonymous.

#3

Discourse Overview

This nugget; is an exhaustive approach to life's winning ways. Everyone is created for a purpose, and we must devise and adopt approaches peculiar to our' individual being and circumstances in arriving at the result of our efforts, which ultimately, forms the reason for our being creation.

The idea in every being; can only be realized if everyone adopts their "own" strategy and peculiarity in harnessing it, and bringing it to fruition.

The Fathers Of Modern Inventions

These men were some of the greatest minds who once lived on this planet earth several centuries ago when life was in its brutish, nasty, and short state. But with the Power of idea inherent in their beings, they were able to turn their immediate environments and the world around, as to enjoy the goods thereof...They became famous not because they did what others have done, but they became famous for identifying a new way of doing that which others have done; but may have retired without success. They leveraged on other's ideas to arrive at theirs and became great with it.

You too can always make something new from the old things or from other people's ideas.

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Successful people have learned to make themselves do the things that have to be done whether they like it or not.
Huxley

Through the biblical account, we are informed that on the seventh day of creation, God rested. My Islamic friend also did inform me that this view was also upheld by the relevant verses in the Qur'an.

We are equally informed that God was not unaware that creation has not ended, and to this end, he gave man the divine mandate to procreate and to take dominion over every creature he may find in his environment.

To procreate means to bring forth into existence, and this is to bring forth those things that we may lack within our environment. And in the other hand, to take dominion means to take absolute control, to conquer, and to subdue with the power inherent in us, those things that we may find in our environment. Suffix this to mean that God gave mankind the extraordinary powers, not only to take charge of their environments but to make up with those things that he may need in it towards making his sojourn on planet Earth worthwhile. This is the layman's interpretation of God's intention for man on earth.

But several centuries into human existence, have men

really conquered their environment? Or do I put it directly to you; have you conquered your environment? What have you done to conquer and subdue your environment?

The world you live in today is your environment, permit me to put it directly to you; it is your present situation.

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What have you done to conquer it or take charge of it to register your presence in it? Yes, every situation you find yourself in, that is what the world is to you and it is all yours to live in it. What have you done to enable your present situation to appreciate your existence?

For you to conquer your environment and by extension your world, don't follow the old path. Adopt your winning formula. In Your world today, you always and already have your people in it who share in your passion, aspiration, and your product. Just like every other person has theirs, in like manner.

Never you be afraid to test the efficacy of any idea as it comes to your thought. Always initiate and move on with your idea because there are people who will buy it because they don't have it, people only seek for those things they don't have and can't produce.

"What make an idea to be successful is in its ability to meet the divergent views from the various shades of the society opinion"

Like everyone in your environment, you too must create a means through which you can effectively interact with your environment; to be able to subdue and make the best out of it through the power of ideas inherent in your being.

Let's view the winning formula of a beggar;

Have you ever asked a beggar why he is begging? The answer probably will be to earn a daily living. I want you to understand that beggars are this group of people referred to by the literal gurus as the wretched of the earth.

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This group of people has no product on any table, neither on their heads nor in their hands, yet, they live believing that they would feed through the public's goodwill. Call it what you like, with these thoughts of theirs, they are dominating their world with their ideas, that is the beggar's life's winning formula

With these trades, the beggars have set out life goals for themselves and equally have their specific means of achieving them by expressing their hearts to the rest of us, just like any other human in their midst through the instrumentality of their ideas.

These beggars you see have their set out goals in life and their winning formula to reach out to their targeted audience. Some of these beggars have composed songs and band teams, alongside praise singers. Some of them; use all kinds of demonstrations to get at their audience. Many of them walk from shop to shop, house to house, vehicle to vehicle, and so on, just to reach out to their targeted audience and get what they want.

Some are strategically stationed so that when you pass through them, you cannot just fail to notice their presence. Such is an idea been harnessed;

"Idea is a continuum as it is always work in progress, but it must start from somewhere and someone"

They are not only registering their presence in the world they live in, but effectively interacting with their environments and the world they live in, and also conquering the challenges that life presents to them.

If this set of people, the majority of whom are physically

challenged, could initiate and adapt their formula to conquer their world, and are winning with it, then you in the fullness of your abilities, can do much more with that bundle of talent in your being.

We all can initiate and develop our winning instinct in confronting the challenges that life brings on our way, just like these beggars who identified what they want and went all out in their ways to get it. They are winning the challenges of life and dominating their world as long as they can make ends meet by achieving their heart's desires and goals in life.

If these beggars could be so expectant by confronting their life's challenges without anything on their table, hands, heads, and so on, how much more 'you' that is naturally endowed with more lucrative abilities and features.

Have you ever taken time to appraise yourself? Let me be direct to you holding and reading this book; I mean the human nature and power in you? There is one secret about every human being, everything about us is wealth with those raw ideas, or do I simply put it, with those raw materials in our individual being.

"In every dreams and passion, is an idea foretold"

While you and many others may lack the will in transforming theirs, I mean your idea to something profitable to the benefit of yourself and your environment, many others are exploring and doing exploits with theirs. Why can't you be counted among these numbers who are living large with their ideas?

I guess that by now, you should have seen the reason to

allow and begin to find any means possible to express to humanity those lofty ideas that come to your mind sometimes.

Your idea lives in you and it's only you that can bring it outside of you and express it to the man next to you and your world in totality.

No two men are ever born with the same idea, start charting your course of expressing your idea to your environment, the world, and to yourself.

Every idea is a product of passion; when you recognize and appreciate what you do. To identify the idea in you, you must look inward not outward; looking at the idea of the man next to you will only retard the full expression of your own idea, and it may require more effort from you to measure up to the expected standard of any borrowed or copied idea. But you will not only break new ground; but will also make history for adding knowledge to an existing idea or adding a new idea to human existence if you stay glued to your idea and bring it out to the benefit of humanity the way it is or comes to you.

> **"Always** ***initiate your idea, I must tell you people will buy it because they don't have it. People only seek for those things they don't have and can't produce"***

Here is a very short story;

During a class discussion, the teacher thought it wise to refresh the mind of the students by asking them a

ridiculous question, thus; who do you want to be in the future? Asked the teacher rhetorically.

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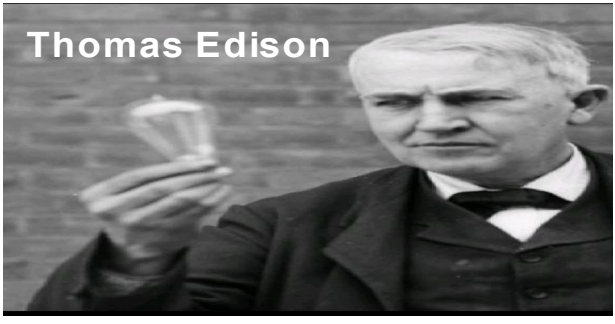
Many of the students came forward to make a choice of the great minds they have revered over the years and wanted to be like. But one of the students, Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu, came forward to present a surprising package that perhaps shook his fellow students; I want to be the best of Adedwale Ibrahim Ikechukwu that God has created me to be. Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu lamented. There and then, Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu, stood as a laughingstock before his fellow students and perhaps his teacher.

Several years down the line, while these Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu's colleagues were still battling with the study of the history and lifestyle of their admired great minds of their ideas that they would want to be like, Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu was already making waves in town as a celebrity and has even become a role model to his colleagues and generation that several of them are equally studying to be like him.

The lesson behind this story; is that Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu was able to achieve these feats because he believed in his abilities and the ideas inherent in his being, and this puts him ahead of his colleagues who only wished to be like the man next door.

"Idea does not come from the blues, but from a well laid action plans. You must think it; you must work it. It is what you produce in you"

His colleagues; failed to understand that like him, Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu, everyone is created to be uniquely different from each other, and they paid dearly for neglecting such time-tested maxim.



Power Of Idea; The Thomas Edison's Story

He failed several times in his quest to invent the electric bulb of his idea, yet, he never gives up. In his further attempt, he had a breakthrough as he finally invented that electric bulb of his idea. He made history, as his name entered the Guinness Book of World Records as the man who invented the electric bulb.

Always have it behind you that the search for fame and reality of human existence; is never a milk or honey affair.

Inset is; Thomas Edison, inside his lab, displaying his newly invented electric bulb to his amazement, after 99th attempt without success.

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Through the ages, no two human beings have been found to be the same. We have and can only see those who wished to be like "that man" just, like these colleagues in Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu's story.

But the truth remains that we can never really be the "that man". Remember this old saying; "if it is not panadol, it can never be the same thing as panadol. You may have more jobs to do, even endlessly, in trying to become the "that man" next to you, rather than the man that you have been created to be.

Though, life secrets teach us to learn from each other's experiences; it is only as a yardstick of getting to the result peculiar to our idea and not at the result peculiar to other people's ideas.

Consider the case of these Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu's colleagues who spent almost the greater part of their lives trying to become an ideal man they had admired in their youths and not the man that exists in their being, viz-viz what they eventually become, and that of Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu, who identified the person in him and summon the courage to actualize it, and today, he is not only been celebrated for it; but has become a source of inspiration to his generation and that of his colleagues who now live in anguish of lost opportunities.

> ***"You must always give all your ideas a trial by venturing into them"***

Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu, identified early in life the uniqueness that lies in his being. He did not fold his arms like his colleagues who were busy studying and emulating

the uniqueness and strength of the ideas of other people, who may have been groomed under a different family background, government policies, environmental setup, and economy. He resolved early enough to be the man under the same atmosphere prevailing in his time, environment, and government economic policies. Adewale Ibrahim

Ikechukwu, carved his "individual" course by resolving to express his "own" ideas to his own people and environment.

Hugh Godson, in his essay; The Purpose of Man, wrote thus;

Every man is meant to give birth to the full man he should be and created to be and made to be".

If you are among those who wished to live like Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu's colleagues, I mean those whose wish is to become the "that man", then, who will be like you?

Maybe, you are among those who don't wish to have their own brand identity to keep to the admiration of mankind and the generation unborn. Or does your mind hibernate like that of Adewale Ibrahim Ikechukwu who had early in life, identified the ingenuity in his ideas and creative being and pursued it to the latter, and eventually achieved results to the amazement of his colleagues and generation.

"Like every misused opportunity, we can always have a new start. Never allow the taste of defeat stop you from starting afresh"

If you have not till this moment in your life identified the person in you and maybe, still nursing the ambition of wanting to be like the other man next to you, you will only end up being a mediocre, a -second-class fellow or a copycat.

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We are all created for a particular assignment in this world, I mean, every one of us is creative to pursue our

individual's destiny, something original that lies in us. We are all representing something that is new, something that does not and has not existed elsewhere, and it only lies fallow in us to release to the world.

Look at the world today; it favors the first and not the copycats, as you want to be known for by your refusal to look inward at your being, to release those great potentials of your being still lying inside you.

Do you know that more heroes and heroines are emerging every day in today's world, this is because several men and women living in the same environment as you do, have mastered the art of breaking new grounds by doing things in an extraordinary way to make their voices heard in their environments with their God's giving ideas.

If you are still sitting on the fence, believing that humanity has reached its peak, then you haven't seen anything yet.

In today's world, the best is yet to come from man. If upon all the exploits and explorations humanity has subjected his environment to have not brought out the best of mankind to this world, then, they may be nothing like the word "best" since there is always room to improve on any recorded success of any idea.

"Always work with your idea, and allow your idea to work for you"

The famous men and women we know of today or have studied in history are initiators and inventors. They explored the power of ideas inherent in their being to give effect and

better meaning to their environments.

The likes of Jerry Brassfield, Michael Faraday, Graham Bell, Joseph Mont, Richard Gating, The lists are endless. These men have created vast empires throughout the world by selling their ideas to others. They became great not because they did not do what others have done, but for identifying their own ways of doing better what others have done, but may have retreated without success.

In illustrating the above assertion; the world's front-line

networking business, Golden Neo Life Diamite, popularly called, GNLD. This is a one-man's invention, yet, it has grown to become a global brand. The man, Jerry Brassfield, its initiator, has through this idea, introduced a business network that has exposed humanity to a new way of empowering people to take charge of their health, self-improvement, and financial independence.

Jerry Brassfield is just one out of so many other men and women who have lived and those who are still living, that have a breakthrough with the power of ideas inherent in their being.

These ideas in these men have lived on earth for centuries in the heart of men that lived before them, but it took the courage of those with a winning formula in inherent their being to make great accomplishments with their ideas possible.

"Without idea, humanity is empty"

There are more and many of these untapped ideas that have been lying and waiting among you and me to be released to the world we all live in. What we need like now and always is to activate that power in us to confront these challenges

that inhibits us from the full expression of our being.

To explore the power in your idea, you must learn to chart your course by looking for a new ground to break or study how to improve on the already recorded success of any venture. You can always create something new from the old ones. Learn from history, all things are difficult before they become easy. It is everyone's desire to leave a

footprint in the sand of time before the dawn of glory.

If you exit the planet Earth without sharing or writing your own story or nothing is being said about you by others, then, you have ingloriously closed your chapter of creation.

Many people before and presently, have shared and are sharing and have written and are writing their stories, and this is through their deeds, actions, and how they are

responding or responded to the events around them.

I am presently sharing and writing my own story through this book and many other vocations of mine; and you are also to bear me witness.

Now, who and what are you waiting for before letting us into your heart, to see and witness the ingenuity of your being too?

"With the idea hibernating in you if well exploited and explored, you too will be breaking a jinx in the race of humanity"

Don't allow any circumstance nor situation to prevent you from your voice being heard across the globe nor stop you from sharing or writing your own story. This may give direction to several people who live in your generation and many more people who

will come after your generation. It is your duty and responsibility to die full or die empty.

Show me the man who does not like tasking his intelligence, then you have seen a man who can do nothing with his idea. Such man will fade away without writing or sharing his own story or having his story been told thereafter.

"To make it or to mare it in this world where everything is possible, the choice is up to us."

A good mind is like a good marketer who explores all terrains because it wants its voice to be heard, this could be you, me, or anyone' you know?

NUGGET #4

A World Of Possibilities?

"Every Idea Is Possible, Pursue Yours"

Anonymous.

#4

Discourse Overview

This nugget; introduces every reader to the various

opportunities that abound in our environment. The nugget opined that the only impossible things to man are those things he has failed or feared to confront.

It equally admonishes mankind, on the need to dream

dreams and pursue one's dreams to the very end. Despite obvious environmental factors and constraints, several people have succeeded in the past and more people are still succeeding in the present under the same

environmental, political, and economic situations that you too dwell in. Everyone is made to conquer and dominate their own environment where they live in, in order for them to enjoy the goodness thereof.

How you draw inspiration to your life, will speak volumes of your reaction to the circumstances around you and the result thereof.

A World Of Possibilities?

Until You Become What God Want You To Be, Your Prosperity Is In View.

David Oyedepo

Chris Iwara, a newspaper columnist; in his appraisal of the book, How to Generate Idea, written by Barrie Hawkins; observed that the most terrible thing about an idea is that it always comes as an impossible task.

In concurrence with Iwara's view, another columnist, Paago Aleele Imabel, suggested what may perhaps be the end-point of ideas. In his piece "Take The Glory", Paago Aleele, elucidated one of Theodore Roosevelt's most celebrated public literature, The Man in The Arena; with the following excerpts.

"It's not the critics that count, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled or where the doer of deeds could have done them better..the credit belongs to that man who is in the arena, whose face is marred by dust, sweat, and blood. One who at the worst if he fails while daring greatly, will be praised because he has refused to be those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat".

In Paago's opinion, the man in the arena; is that man who failed big because he dreamt big; he is the man that had once had big disappointment because he had big expectations. He is the man who seems to have lost all because he dared to give all he had. He is the man who had made some great mistakes because he made great attempts. This is the man who refused to quit even under all the

blows of life.

In his conclusion, Paago asserted, "If you had ever made attempt and fail, if you ever dash your feet on stones but trudge on even with pains, if your heart bleeds for the course you believe in, you are indeed, like the man listed in Theodore Roosevelt's book "The Man In The Arena", take the glory too.

Going further on these texts, one may ask, where do you fit in the above elucidated Paago analysis? Or, are you among the timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat? Or do you fit into the above description of' The Man In The Arena?

The strength of every idea lies in the power and ability to express it. There is always an idea running in the vein of everyone, it is either we lack that eagle's eyes to see them nor the will to confront them as they come. In the journey of life, every being will no doubt is expected to confront obstacles, challenges and fear in the efforts at making any idea comes to reality.

"Every idea is a product of passion; when you recognize and appreciate what you do"

Those obstacles, challenges, and fear that you may see in the quest of accomplishing your ideas, are also the ingredients and necessary evil needed for the full realization of your idea. So it is not by accident or coincidence that they are coming your way at the time they come, it should always be expected.

If you understand this popular adage; "Where there is no sweat, there will be no sweet", then you would have

realized that all ideas often passed through the tunnel of fire before they could manifest. You must always be willing and ready to withstand the heats that come with every idea for you to be victorious with it.

For the sweet to come, you must pass through the sweat stages.

At the sweat stages, that is where you will be confronted with the bitter lessons of life. That is the moment where you have to make an attempt and fail, where you may dash your feet on stones but trudge on even with pains, where you will see your heart bleeds for the course you believe in, but as Paago rightly noted, the glory of this moment goes to that man who bears it and who conquers it all.

An idea is as potent as it is the only instrument that God uses and is still using through man to complete his plan for humanity. Without an idea, man is empty; whatever the world is today after God's creation, it's all a product of man's thinking and idea through divine inspiration.

"Failure has no associate, except you will like to establish one, where you and you alone will be a member"

Do you want to be Theodore Roosevelt's "The Man In The Arena" of your environment? This is possible in your world today, only if you are willing to endure the pain that comes with your idea. Remember that you are also born to make your environment better than you met it, and this could only be achieved when you decide not to stand aloof to any ideas that come your way, but by being an active player in its realization.

But in sharp contrast to Paago's analysis, many of us today

seem to be satisfied with what comes to us and not what we want. We rather prefer to be an onlooker in the affair of our ideas.

So many of us do not want to pass through the sweat

before the sweet. We do not want to dash our fit on a stone, we do not want to attempt, not to talk of failing with our ideas. We do not want to see our hearts bleed for any course; and do nothing to advance the course of our environment. These are the other type of men, referred to in Theodore Roosevelt's "Man in the Arena" as those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.

In view of the happenstance in our environment today, there still exist some persons who are satisfied with whatever that comes their way, rather than what they want. They neither make an effort nor contribute to an effort.

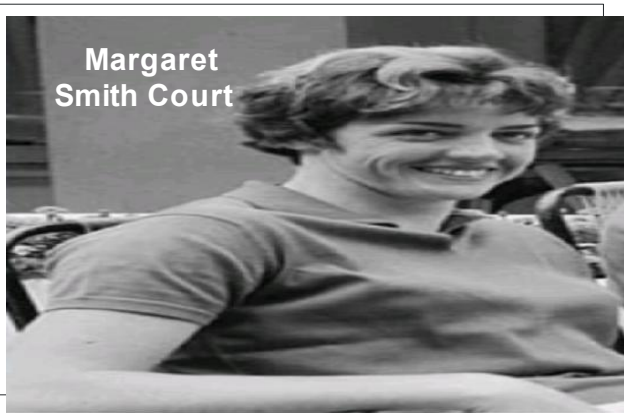
Am not against individual satisfaction nor contentment in life, but what happens if you strive in making life better and more meaningful for yourself and those around you? They are other people out there, who are living a

better life in that same environment that everyone is living, under the same government and system. The difference between these men is that while those who are succeeding and making exploit with their ideas are prepared and ready to pass through the sweat before the sweet, then, the other men are only after the sweet without the sweat.

"Never mind the hurdle that may confront you, always persist in seeing the fact and the cause to pursue your idea"

You have no excuse to remain the way you are when you

In a world of possibilities



Power of Idea: The Odyssey of Margaret Smith Court

Margaret Smith Court, is one of the 21st-century inspirational leaders and one of those who have brought the struggle and emancipation of the womenfolk to the international limelight.

Though, born in Australia by middle-class parents. She is best known for her exploit in Tennis sporting activities where she was ranked the World No.1 in the game. She held this position for several years. In the year, 2021, Margret Smith Court was awarded the order of Australia's highest level (Champion in the General Division)

On her retirement, she founded the Victory Christian Centre in Perth, one of the Austrian cities in her resolve to take the words of God across the nooks and crannies of the world.

follows these time-tested life development principles. Just like, The Man in the Arena, you too can do more for yourself and your environment with your idea.

Success is far beyond human reasoning. I am used to telling those around me that every man can soar with the idea inherent in his being; Human idea is the widest scope of all human imagination. Every life is heading to a destination, but to get to your "own" destination, you must be steadfast in your desire of making your life's journey come to fulfillment.

If you seat on the fence and wish to be motivated by others before you move on with your "own" idea, you may never move on in life, as you may never get motivated. Nobody wants to be associated with failures. Failure as much as I know has no associate, except you will like to establish one, where you and you alone may be the sole member.

In today's world, a lot has been done and more is needed to be done, even in the very environment where you live in. You can only understand this missing link if you have the passion for creativity.

If the environment that you live in is not interesting to you, it does not mean you cannot make it better nor have what it takes to make it better; what you only lack is the idea of how to harness the potential in it and that of your being.

"All ideas are worthy of consideration, do not neglect any"

It takes people of courage and honour to make life more acceptable to themselves and others. And for them to do so, they explore and harnessed the idea inherent in their beings. They identified the areas where their ideas can be

of importance to them and their environment. You too can make your environment to be acceptable to others with your ideas

With your idea if well explored and exploited, you too, just like Roosevelt wrote, will be "The Man in the Arena" of your

environment. You too will be breaking a jinx in the race of humanity and your contribution will in no small way, should have made your environment better than you met it.

These feats that you may have deposited to your environment through your idea, ordinarily will not have existed and may never have existed without you, but most times, we lack the will to confront our ideas and hence remain where we are.

For you to manifest your idea and go beyond your limit, you must always arm yourself with enough information. Information is power. When you have adequate information for your idea, you have created enough environments to confront it.

Philosopher kings, like Socrates, Aristotle, John Lock, Albert

Einstein, Alexander Fleming, Wilbur Wright, and several others, had throughout their time, been preoccupied with their thoughts of making the world a better place for all. The idea they left behind centuries ago, became a big source of information to generations after them, these later generations, built on the knowledge of the former to make the world what it is today.

"You might conceive and identify an idea, yet if you don't have the mobilization will, that idea may never be born"

In our lifetime, we must always aspire to search for that knowledge that will better our lives, and the world at large. There is always information readily available to assist

us in this journey. Ironically, this information is equally a product of some individual's desire to make a change in their environments. So, what they had deposited eventually, formed a guide for the further development of the society as you have them to the present age.

You must always know that everyone is created for a purpose, and this is the purpose of fulfilling an individual destiny. Your existence is meant to fill up a vacuum that has

hitherto existed by your absence. This vacuum will remain until you respond to it. All men are indeed born to be a conqueror, and to meet the great expectation of his creation. Just like the personalities of yesteryear whom

some of them lived a life of purpose and accomplishments before exiting the world scene. No one can live your life for you, it is all yours to figure out, but note therein that there is a tool to assist you in the journey of life; God said, before you were born, I already know you, for I know the thoughts that I have for you, the thoughts of good and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

"Always take on that idea as if your whole life depends on it"

As everyone craves for a successful life in this earthly journey, know it that it is our right to aspire to become what so ever anyone wishes, and to fulfill the purpose which each and every one of us is being created. Those who had in the time past followed these paths of life, had their desires accomplished.

On their success stories, hear this;

William Booth on the secret of his success, came this

profound statement. "There have been men with greater ideas and brains than I am, but I have made up my mind that God will always have the best and all that is in me"

David Oyedepo also summits thus; "the unalloyed love of God and humanity, is the gateway to the world of prosperity" and the list is endless.

We can improve on our present situation and be where

God wants us to be, and this can only happen when we work with our ideas and allow our ideas to work for us. If you feel that life is worth it, then stand for it.

I have five companions that help me get where God wants me to be, Richard Kipling, a renowned 21st-century

Philosopher; referred to them as his five honest serving companions. These are; where, when, what, how, and why. Where tells me where to be, when tells me when to be there; what tells me what to do, how tells me how to do it, and why tells me why I must do it.

"You can improve on your present situation and be where and what God want you to be, and this can only happen when you work with your idea and allows your idea to work for you"

You don't need to croak to be heard, strategy is the keyword. With these Kipling's five honest serving companions in mind, you just need a little effort to be exposed to success.

NUGGET #5

Minds As Center Piece Of Human Ideas

"Your Mind Can Be Used To Create, Direct, And To Destroy The World Around You".

Anonymous.

#5

Discourse Overview

This nugget discourse; is a clarion call for all people to always be alert as they confront the issues that life brings on board. As days are gone by, there is always the need for man to always take stock of his actions and in-actions and see where such actions or in-actions have taken one to. People must always position themselves as they trudge on life's journey.

Minds As Center Piece Of Human Ideas

Very little is needed to make a happy life; it is all within yourself, in your way of thinking.

Marcus Aurelius

The psychologist reveals, that the mind is a reservoir of knowledge. This finding went further to state that the mind functions through the brain that transmits every action to it;

It is therefore wise to say that, the mind is the translator and communicator of every human action to the rest of the body. John Milton, in upholding this view in one of his memory verses, wrote thus; *"the mind is its place, and in it, can make a heaven of hell and a hell of heaven".* Therefore, it is the way we position our minds, that is how it functions for us.

For your mind to work for you, you have to position it with a positive mental attitude and thoughts, and this is by decongesting it with the things that incapacitate it. Always learn to pursue your mind's set goals to the logical

conclusion, and never let your incapacitated past deny you your lifetime dreams.

Tomorrow and every day; is filled with its promises of hope. Giving up the hope of tomorrow for today, is akin to throwing your opportunities into the ocean of ignorance.

I am always carried off when I share Augustus's short essay on "Hope", because it conveys the deep expectations inherent in today's man.

Augustus wrote in that essay;

HOPE is the soul's best bower anchor, let go in good holding

ground. Through every trial, through every woe, in health, in sickness, in poverty and want, hope, like a bright fixed star of promise, shines aloft, and bids us not despair.

Hope entered the dark chambers of our childish hearts and has ever since been the sun of our existence, shining day and night, never dark, never extinguish.

Hope joined us in the cradle and will be with us at the last. Hope never dies in the breast of man; It may slumber and sleep for a while, then wakes up refreshed, all its troubles to scan, and meets them halfway with a confident smile.

At home or abroad, on land, on the sea, in prosperity or adversity, hope's beaming star ever lights us, sometimes feeble, but oftener bright; sometimes weak, but oftener strong.

Hope is the murderer's cell, and with the shipwrecked mariner on the desert isle; in the palace, and in the cot; it is shining with surpassing splendour by the

dying bed of the Christian, and

flickering around the couch of the infidel. Hope met our first parents in Eden, and will be with the last man on earth, Hope is part of our immortality; we hope on, and we hope ever".

"Your entire life ideas may be a pipe dream if you don't go for them"

The import of the above verses; is to situate in proper terms, the place of hope as a means of actualizing our set out goals in life, and the mind been the battlefield.

Whenever you desire great expectations, the solution simply lies in your great thinking. You must think ahead of your

time and needs for you to surmount your lifetime challenges; this is what we refer to today as "one thinking outside of the box".

Every man should always think past his yesterday. Thinking is in history, it has been part of men. There is no great achiever in history that was not a great thinker. Great thinkers as I have observed, are those who never allow the limitation around them to be their setbacks. They live in the euphoria that the ends will justify the means and trudge on toward accomplishing what is in their thoughts.

"Believe it or leave it, ideas still count in today's world"

Every thought that comes to a man is first in the brain; and transmitted to the mind. The mind then develops it into an idea. This is why it is impossible to see a man today without an idea.

Some people simply don't want to use the idea in them, for fear of failing with it. In a nutshell, every man has the greatest of the greatest idea. The idea of success and that of failure; also lives in the mind of every being.

Ask those who built skyscrapers, it was first developed and built in the mind before it is introduced to the environment. It is what is in the mind that the body expresses, and this comes out to the environment in the nature of idea and physical products to mankind.

If your mind tells you, you are big, your body expression will tell you, you are big. If your mind tells you that you are small, your body language expression says the same thing to you. How much you see who you are in you is the

message you pass outside you. So, always be conscious of what you accept in your mind because it will eventually become part of you.

A man with ideas knows how to drive a car not because he has one nor has gone to acquire formal training on it, but the mind will tell him that the combination of break, turtle,

clutch, gear, steering, and the mirror, the car will move.

"We all hold the key, the key to prosperity and that to poverty; uses yours wisely"

Such is the capacity of the mind to the human race; every being lives with the idea of the mind's direction and action.

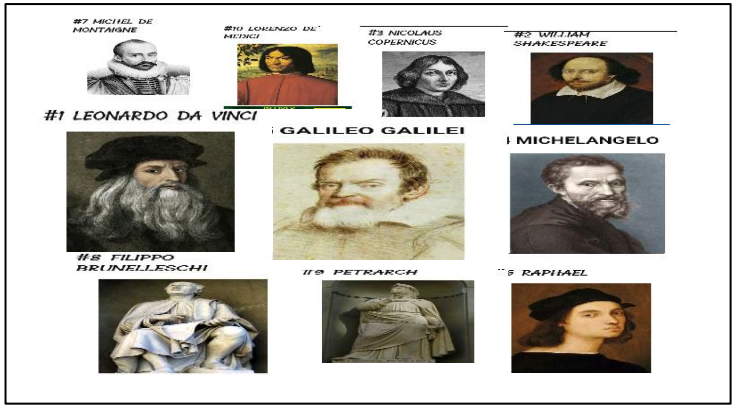
With my study and understanding of the stories of successful men the world over, I have greatly leaned that their ability to stick to what has been developed in their minds; was a major factor that characterizes their victories over their life's challenges.

Taking you into the archives of some of these great minds, for once, I cannot remember any of them who treated their survival strategy with kid gloves. They made what is contained in their minds rule their actions and they expressed it in their environment and became what they are and known for today.

Let's take a clue from this story.

At the unripe age of twelve, Winston Churchill, a one-time Prime Minister of Great Britain, was in his father's car, en-route No. 10 Downing Street, the official residence of the British Prime Minister. The edifice he saw at No 10

In a world of possibilities



Power Of Idea: These Are The Harbinger's Of The World Renaissance

The architects of the Renaissance movement were not comfortable with the system they met and lived in, and they sorted out means to effect a change. They were propelled by the power of ideas in their creative ingenuity to explore their environment towards harnessing its potential in making and leaving it better than they met it. The results were astonishing as they exposed all that is inherent in man and also introduced a new epoch in man's survival strategy.

This era more than any era known to man in history witnessed discoveries, innovations, and inventions of great dimension more than man could imagine. With that power in your idea, you too can be the renaissance being of your environment.

Downing Street, being the official residence of the British Prime Minister, gave him a different view of his person and he pleaded with his father to stop, and he stopped.

The then-little Churchill aligned from his father's car; and went standing in front of the Prime Minister's residence and photographed himself.

Wondering, his father demanded to know the reason behind his action. Little Churchill replied to his worried father thus; "I simply want my mind to remind me of my today's ride with you". And since then, the event of that day has lived in the memory of little Churchill, that on every sight of this picture, he is reminded of the image that developed in his mind many years back. This image is that of greatness; because this is the symbol of the White House of Great Britain.

> ***"With the ideas in you put into manifestation, the world will come crawling to your door steps, just to have a piece of the action"***

It is therefore, not surprising that thirty-eight years later, Winston Churchill was sworn in as the British Prime Minister, thus; signifying the accomplishment of his dream and thought of being great, a vision he conceived thirty-eight years before this accomplishment as the British Prime Minister.

Winston Churchill again, came to that very spot he photographed himself at No. 10 Downing Street, some thirty-eight years ago to take another photograph, this time as a British Prime Minister.

To conclude this story, Winston Churchill was to display the two pictures before the people of the Great Britain

while sharing the story of his journey to the White House, he acclaimed that his journey to the White House; was not a product of chance, accident, nor coincidence, but a

product of one sticking tenaciously to what comes to the mind, developing it, and working toward achieving it.

Through this storyline, we can indeed agree that Winston Churchill, allowed his mind with hope and faith to rule his actions, leading to his being celebrated worldwide today.

Every idea is a thought that passed through a process. Idea is so powerful to the extent that the existence of humanity is at risk without it.

Look around you, all you see around you was first created in the mind of man. It eventually passed through a process before it turned into reality or a product as you physically see it. With his mind, as James Allen notes;

"Man is made and unmade himself, in the armory of his thought, he forges the weapon by which he destroys himself. He also creates for himself a mansion of joy, strength, and peace. Between these two characters, man is their maker and master".

"Learn from history, every idea always looks difficult before it becomes easy, yours won't be an exception"

Also, the likes of Martin Luther King Jr; had faith and

hope in his dreams. Martin Luther King Jr, had the hope and faith that one day America will be declared a free state where colour will not count against anyone who lives in it.

This opinion is contained in his famous speech;

"I have a dream".

In that speech, Martins Luther, elucidated the ideal, United States of America of his mind. An America, where all men are free to be what they want to be; a free United States of America where colour, tribe, sex, or age would not count against any of her citizens.

But his effort to realize it all through his lifetime proved abortive despite his crusades. But several years down

memory lane, history was made in the United States of America, as Barak Hussein Obama, a son of a Kenyan migrant, a black American, was elected as the 44th

President of the United States of America, the very country where Martin Luther King, Jnr has struggled to kill all forms of racial discrimination and injustice all through his lifetime without success.

This epochal event has made the idea of one man come to pass, even several years after his death. This idea was developed in the mind of Martin Luther King Jnr during his lifetime, but it came to the limelight several years after his death.

"Life is never a gamble, It's not a try your luck thing, it is garbage in garbage out"

In his famous speech, which has been described as, and tagged, the greatest speech ever made by man; titled; "I Have a Dream", Martin Luther notes the America of his dream.

This speech is significant in this discourse, as it is the very idea that gave rise to the modern struggle for the total

emancipation of the black and abolition of racism in the United States of America in the 21st century, and other parts of the racist countries and nations of the world

Therefore, today, the emergence of Barak Obama as the 44th President of America could be attributed to this Martin Luther King Jnr's, idea and ideological struggle.

Here is the reproduction of that speech, tagged as the greatest speech of all time.

Excerpts:

"I am happy to join with you today in what will go down in history as the greatest demonstration for freedom in the history of our nation. Five score years ago, a great American in whose symbolic shadow we stand today signed the emancipation proclamation.

"For you to conquer the challenges of life, don't follow the old path, create your winning formula. You have your own people to your idea"

This momentous decree came as a great beckoning light of hope to millions of Negro slaves who had been seared in the flames of withering injustice. It came as a joyous daybreak to end the long night of their captivity.

But one hundred years later, the Negro is still not free. One hundred years later, the life of the Negro is still sadly crippled by the manacles of segregation and the chains of discrimination.

One hundred years later, the Negro lives on a lonely island of poverty amid a vast ocean of material prosperity. One hundred years later, the Negro is still languishing in the

comers of American society and finds himself in exile in his own land. We all have come to this hallowed spot to

remind America of the fierce urgency of now.

Now is the time to rise from the dark and desolate valley of segregation to the sunlit path of racial justice. Now is the time to change racial injustice to the solid rock of brotherhood. Now is the time to make justice ring out for all of God's children. There will be neither rest nor tranquility in America until the Negro is granted citizenship rights.

We must forever conduct our struggle on the high plane of dignity and discipline. We must not allow our creative protest to degenerate into physical violence. Again and again, we must rise to the majestic heights of meeting physical force with soul force. And the marvelous new militarism which has engulfed the Negro community must not lead us to a distrust of all white

"Stop Living Your Life in An Atmosphere Of Uncertainty. Your Challenges Will Always Remain With You, It Is Only Your Action That Determines It Otherwise"

people, for many of our white brothers have evidenced by their presence here today that they have come to realize that their destiny is part of our destiny. So, even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream.

I have a dream that one day this nation will rise and live out the true meaning of its creed: "We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal".

I have a dream that one day on the red hills of Georgia,

the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slave owners will be able to sit together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day, even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of injustice, sweltering with the heat of oppression; will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the colour of their skin but by the content of their character.

I have a dream today, I have a dream that one day, down in Alabama, with its vicious racists, with its governor having his lips dripping with the words of interposition, and black girls will be able to join hands with little white boys and white girls as sisters and brothers.

I have a dream today. I have a dream that one day, every alley shall be exalted, every hill and mountain shall be made low, and the rough places plains, and crooked places will be made straight, and before the Lord will be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I go back to the mount with. With this faith, we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair, a stone of hope. With this faith, we will be able to transform the genuine discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith, we will be able to work together, pray together; to struggle

"Every man has the greatest of the greatest idea;

There is one domicile in everyone. It is your duty to release yours to your world"

Power Of Idea: The Martin Luther King Jnr's Story.

Martin Luther King, Jnr did not die with the idea that he saw in his "dream". Your idea tells people about you, even when you have exited a scene. Martin Luther King Jnr. once had in his mind an idea that one day America will be declared a Free State where colour will not count against anyone who lives in it. But his effort to realize it all through his lifetime proved abortive despite his crusades.

Several years down memory lane, in the year, 2008, history was made in the United State of America as Barak Hussein Obama, a son of a Kenyan immigrant emerged as the President of the United States of America, thus; fulfilling the idea that Martin Luther King Jr. had nurtured and left for humanity through his life but without success.

together, to go to jail together, to stand up for freedom forever, knowing that we will be free one day.

And I say to you today my friends, let freedom ring. From the prodigious hilltops of New Hampshire, let freedom ring. From the mighty mountains of New York, let freedom ring. Freedom ring, from the curvaceous slopes of

California! But not only there; let freedom ring, from the

Stone Mountain of Georgia!

Let freedom ring, from Lookout Mountain in Tennessee! Let freedom ring, from every hill and molehill in Mississippi. From every mountainside, let freedom ring. And when this happens, when we allow freedom to ring, when we let it ring from every village and hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all God's children, black men, and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics will be able to join hands and sing in the words of old Negros spiritual, "Free at last! Thank God almighty, we are free at last".

"Your Idea Is Your Own Multi-millionaire Estate. You Better Start Investing into It and Stop Taking It With Reckless Abandon"

The thrust of this speech is to bring to our knowledge that, what every idea need is its ability and strength to be expressed.

Since the birth of these ideas, it has been sustained and given strength by the idea bearers.

Winston Churchill and Rev. Martin Luther King, Jnr, stuck to the ideas that came to their minds until it was birthed

many years later.

Most of those we all know and talk about today, who are ruling their world are not a product of chance, accident, or coincidence; they have their minds, hope, and faith working for them. They stuck to what they saw and developed in their minds years back, and today, they are brands that have affected their environments and world positively.

Do you too want to be celebrated in your lifetime?; Do you want your generation and the yet-unborn generation to know that you were once on this earth and be remembered as one of those who uniquely affected their environments, or do you want your era to close with the pages of history?

Do you want the world to eulogize you when others are being reprimanded, do you want your name to be placed in the hall of fame where other great minds are found? Do you want to place your name in the heart of men or be remembered as one of those who came, who saw, and who conquered or failed to conquer their environments? In either way you choose, any or all of the above is possible, your mind is the master.

"Life is really possible for everyone, even you"

In the case of Martin Luther King Jr; Several years down memory lane, in the year, 2008, history was made in the United State of America, as Barak Hussein Obama, a son of a Kenyan migrant emerged as the President of the United State of America, thus fulfilling the idea which Martin Luther King Jr. had nurtured for humanity throughout his lifetime. Yet; this didn't happen in his lifetime; but sure, it came to pass even after his sojourn on the planet Earth.

Minds As Center Piece Of Human Ideas

Idea hardly dies prematurely, always give that idea in your mind the best chase. Always know that if you did not live to enjoy its berth and birth, you may be leaving a legacy that the world would remember you for, generations after generations, just like Martin Luther King, Jr; and other notable world figures whose indelible prints while on earth have not been erased several years after their existence.

Looking into your mind, have you seen your future? Or is your mind still in the wilderness of doubt, or still searching for the 'you' in you? What are your dreams, thoughts, and visions? and what are your set-out actions to pursue and to actualize them? These are simple questions we must answer if we must set our path to great life's dream accomplishments.

"Idea comes like faith, when you begin to believe what comes to you without evidence, knowledge or physical sight of it"

We all hold the keys, the keys to prosperity and that of penury;

what you express outside you, tells people outside you which of these keys that you are holding. Yes, what is in your expression says it all about your being. Our individual minds function how we positioned them. These views go with this popular saying, thus; "Our life is nothing more than the collection of the choices we have made in the past.

Life is not a try-your-luck thing, it is like the computer, garbage in, garbage out. It is what you give to it that it gives out of it. In the arithmetic of life, you cannot work half a day work and expect a full day's pay. What you work for is what you are going to get and be paid for. It is the

much you give in should be the much you should and would always expect to get out of any venture.

You have to stay awake with your idea to make your dreams and aspirations in life come through.

For you to get at your life's set goals, you must place your mind and thoughts with hope and faith, to those things your heart desires, and pursue them with vigor.

"Idea does not come from the blues; it's what you produce in you"

We all; can follow in the footsteps of these great minds in Winston Churchill, Martin Luther King Jr, and several others who had developed ideas in their minds several years down the lane, and stuck to it with hope, courage and faith, until it came to pass several years after.

The ideas people stores in their minds; are what give them a road map to their destination. So, store one idea in you, and work with it. It would guide you also and give you a road map to your life's journey.

This is how to roll on in the journey of life.

NUGGET #6

Rhythm Of Life

"Any Person Can Shout And Rejoice After The Victory, But It Takes Faith To Shout Before The Victory"

R. Tilton

#6

Discourse Overview

This nugget; takes a look at how fate and faith shape and control the affairs of men. These are the two opposing forces that control the affairs of men. Fate is anathema to man's ability to rise beyond his present state of thought. But faith makes man soar, with his always belief in an expected end.

Remember the saying, faith can move mountain. This is one of the rhythms of life and we should be ready to dance to the tune.

This nugget; ex-rays the various dimensions and approaches necessary for man to take for a smooth ride as he takes on life's journey.

Rhythm Of Life

The World Is A Stage, There Is One Honorable Way In, But How We Exit Counts.

William Shakespeare

Most people in life, have lived or are living to accept their fate, but others have lived or are living their lives by faith. These are two opposing forces that have shaped and still shape the affair of the world till the present time.

The phenomenon of fate and faith is a tool of interest when the topic of achieving life's goals is to be discussed. This is because, to succeed in life's ideas, we must believe and have faith in it, as well as have good stead to deal with whatever that comes with it firmly. This is the rhythm of life, and as long as one exists, we all must live to dance to the tune.

Faith has the ability to make one live a life of hope and expectation, but fate keeps one in a state of perpetual misery and want. There is nothing a man with faith cannot achieve on the earth's surface.

Faith; is the ability to believe what will come without

evidence, knowledge, or physical sight of it, but fate makes us to accept whatever that comes to us without the strength to question it. Faith gives life accomplishment, and power to trudge on till the end, it oils the thorny path of life.

Faith is God; because it does not change, yet it changes everything. But fate is an anathema to progress, it endangers dreams realization.

Looking at the big names we have in the society today, can you tell me of any who have been disappointed by

their faith? Instead, their faith changed their situation for the better.

Remembering Abraham in the scripture, with faith, he became a father in his old age, he was called the father of all nations. With Faith, Job's wealth came back to him a million-fold despite his travails. With faith, Daniel was unhurt even in the lion's den.

There are people in our midst today who have been propelled by faith in their ideas to hit the top of the world stage, and several people too that equally have by fate, denied the opportunities of a lifetime.

"Idea comes like faith, when you begin to believe what comes to you without evidence, knowledge or physical sight of it"

In the preposition of E. C. Mckenzie; "Faith is a bridge builder. It builds a bridge from this world to the next world"

Permit me to translate this assertion to mean that, faith builds a bridge from our present life's story to the life's story of our faith. This means that we are where our faith brought us, and we will be where our faith will take us to.

Short writing on faith;

Faith is the essence of things hoped for. It is a persistent embrace of our highest aspiration and yearning, a humble trust that can be or can become reality.

Faith makes us tenacious. It gives us the strength to carry forward with the expectation that our effort will bear fruit.

It is the distance light that shines when all around us

seems dark and of sorrow. Through faith, we keep our eye on our destination, rather than the hardship along the road.

Faith gives substance to our dreams and our deepest hunches about what is real and what is good.

Let us demonstrate how fate can deny us an opportunity of a lifetime as told in this story.

During my undergraduate days, I could remember how a colleague of mine failed to rise to the pinnacle of the student unionism due to his inability to manifest faith in his chosen course at the student union elections.

He had collected nomination's form the way others did. He belongs to the Natural Science Faculty. Fortunately for him, he was the only male candidate aspiring for that position from his faculty. He did not go campaigning for the position he was aspiring for on the ground that his faculty has always been marginalized in the political activities of the institution.

Long afterward, he lost faith in the process, and saw no reason in pursuing his ambition.

Weeks later, the Electoral Review

Committee that was earlier set up by the school management to fashion a better student union activities in the school; concluded their assignment and came out with the Student Union Electoral Amended Laws. This was endorsed by the Governing

Council of the institution

Haven noticed the lapses in the Student's Union Government

"If you fail to identify the real person in you, you would always end up as a mediocre, a second-class citizen"

administration in the institution; the review report recommended a rotational formula in electing major political officers in the student union government body.

With this new law, they ceded the students' unionism presidency to the Natural Science Faculty where this colleague of mine came from to commence the experiment of the new student's Union Electoral Constitution.

> ***"The more you seek relevance to your idea, the closer you get to the end of it"***

Sadly, this colleague of mine's nonchalant attitude to his ambition; cost him that position to the less fancied female counterparts who was finally elected as the institution's Student Union President.

The above interplay; is the result anyone would get when one fails to manifest faith in his ideas. Had this colleague of mine stayed glued to pursuing his ambition, the election would have been a work-over. He never thought or imagined that events could upturn so suddenly, he failed to see the end from the beginning, and he resigned to fate, alas!

Always be determined to give your idea space to strive in your inner mind. If you give your idea space and opportunity in your life's goals, you will always have your way. Do not always expect your idea to be as bad as your impossible attitude would want you to see and believe.

Stephen Covey has submitted that "faith is one beginning with the end in mind".

Looking back today to your past, where were you years back? Considering your moment with your yesteryear, has there been an idea that came to you that was not dealt

with jealously and affirmatively?, Ideas always come through difficult windows. It will first make you doubt your abilities and capacities of your being what is therein. It will make you lose your confidence in your abilities in things that are seemingly ordinary to you.

You will begin to think, ah! Not me, how can I become this when I have not done this? When your idea makes your

mind look feeble beyond its intended purposes, you may lose the substance and the message it contains.

Fate is when your mind starts thinking contrary to what comes into it, like how can I become a lecturer when I have not been in a classroom to teach before, how can I become a Doctor when I don't know how to handle a syringe, or needle?

When your idea comes like this, and you accept it with this mindset, you will never strive to reach out at your dream, nor have enough strength to test its potential.

"When you live all your life in doubt of the potency of your ideas, you are bound to remain where you are forever"

This has been many people's problem in life, how to cope, nurture and live with their ideas with faith and not resign themselves to fate. This colleague of mine was a victim of his own inability to manifest faith in his idea, he allowed fate to consummate the noble idea he had conceived.

Always learn to launch yourself with that idea that you have got in you; because it might be the only opportunity that will launch you to the world's top places. You may be

surprised that one of the ideas in you if well exploited and

Power Of Idea:

How these African leaders explored the power of ideas that aided the development of their Societies

These are some nationalists of Africa stock who explored the power in their creative ingenuity to put Africa on the same pedestal as the rest of the world. They exploited the opportunities that came calling at their time to stamp their footprint on the sand of time. Their names to date still loom large in the heart of their fellow citizens.

In the world stage and discourse to date, their names are listed among the world's famous personalities who came, who saw, and who explored and exploited the power of ideas to conquer their environments

explored, could catapult you to an unexpected destination in life beyond your imagination. Remember that this can only occur if you have stayed glued to that idea since its inception.

If you can learn to manifest faith in your idea, you have gotten all the weapons needed in the pursuit of your life's ambitions. You have to make this moment a decision time by awakening those ideas that you thought are worth nothing and allowing faith to sit on them, and letting it dictate the pace for you.

"Faith gives ideas accomplishment; it oils the thorny path of life"

Always remember this, whatever comes to you, lies solely in your ability to overcome them or be consumed by them. Faith can make that mountain of Jericho, that unbelieving mind fall flat in your very presence.

David Oyedepo also submitted in one of his books thus…

"The more you challenge your present situation, the higher your marginal propensity of winning your life battle".

What gets people going is not only the support they get from people or the strengths in their being; but also in the belief of where they are going.

Faith will not only be seen to be manifested when you start believing in the positivism of the idea in you but also when you start doing something to make it a thing of history.

What kills ideas is the non-manifestation of faith in it; that is; the lack of self-confidence and readiness to pursue its realization. Your fate today is your yesterday decision; your faith yesterday is what you are today.

Before we conclude this discourse, let us also consider how faith propelled the arrival of these African icons to the world center stage, I referred to them in this book as compatriots of excellence.

Men like, Aliko Dangote, Innocent Chukwuma, Mike Adenuga

Ejike Mbaka, just to men but a few; are today a celebrated brand in their own rights for the exploit they have made with the power of ideas inherent in their being.

"If you fail to create an idea for yourself and others, you will remain a slave forever to the idea of others"

Aliko Dangote:

He is popularly referred to as the 'Golden Child" in African business circles. It was revealed that he leveraged the little finance that was made available to him by one of his uncles to set out for his life's set goals. He pursued these goals tenaciously despite its upheavals.

Today, the story of an African economic renaissance cannot be said to have been told without the mention of this notable icon who has carved a notch for himself, as the contribution of Nigeria's Aliko Dangote to the industry of fast-moving consumers' goods to Africa and the global economy cannot be wished away.

Aliko Dangote, the trade owner of the 'Dangote Group', has through his idea of the production, sales, and distribution of fast-moving consumer products, introduced products that cut across manufacturing, trading, real estate, haulage, agro-allied, and the likes and presently into oil and gas.

These products are today present in every home, especially

in sub-Sahara Africa, and it is currently making their

entrance into Europe. This idea gave him, Dangote fame, and at the same brought glory not only to him; but his family, countrymen, and women and humanity in general. He was at various times, listed by Forbes International

Magazine as one of the richest men of his generation, with his investments worth billions of dollars with estimated thousands of high flyer employees in his payroll across the globe.

Mike Adenuga:

He is called "the entrepreneur with nine lives". He is also a very phenomenal name in the discourse of Africa's economic renaissance. His exploits and eventual success amid life's daunting challenges are worth a thumb up.

"There is no way we can make it when we allow the opportunities that lie in the shell of challenges pass us by"

Mike Adenuga's entrance into the field of telecommunication was timely, as his mobile brand,

Globacom came to fill the vacuum created by telecommunications providers in terms of quality service, charges, and network

availability. He saw a need in his environment and devised the mean to feel it by bringing forth to life, a concept that has lived in the mind of many for ages.

Today, an average user of the mobile network, would appreciate this enormous contribution of this enigmatic man called, Mike Adenuga to the striving telecommunication business world.

Unknown to many, Mike Adenuga started his career in life

as a chauffeur, a business popularly called "Taxi operator" and private security guard operator. Today, he has delivered a feat to his generation that only daring men could attempt. His other investment cuts across, banking, oil, and gas, among others.

He is also listed among men with great wealth in the world by

Forbes Magazine.

"Always learn to start off with your idea. Whenever you start, something is done already; you are ahead of your past effort and can then go for new one"

Innocent Chukwuma:

He is also a notable icon that has hit the world stage in his career by exploring the power of ideas inherent in his being. He is very well known as a child born without the proverbial 'Silver Spoon' in his mouth.

Innocent Chukwuma, nevertheless, defiled all known obstacles,

challenges, and upheavals, and got listed among the clubs of men with great wealth in his environment.

Innocent Chukwuma took off as a dealer in general goods, but today, he commands a vast empire in manufacturing and general goods import and supplies. He was to pioneer the first indigenous manufacturing of vehicles in Nigeria

with the brand name, Innoson Vehicles.Innocent

Chukwuma is one of the individuals in his environment who is living with his idea. Like his peer, he is indeed expressing his heart to himself and his world in his chosen endeavor.

Today, innocent Chukwuma; stands counted in the world

as among the men living their dreams. He is indeed, one man that humanity is also proud of in today's world.

This is a man whose biography reveals to have started off in life from ground zero and today he is a hero.

His drive for success was also like many others, propelled with passion and vigor. In Africa and the world at large, Innoson products, are readily a household name and this is due to the zeal of one-man, Innocent Chukwuma.

Today, Innoson, the brand name of Innocent Chukwuma, proudly assembles vehicles with the brand name Innoson Vehicle Manufacturing Company Limited; this is the first of its kind in Nigeria. His drive was the need to have a local product of vehicle production in Nigeria, to cut down the cost of vehicle importation from other countries.

"Always See Reasons to Believe In Your Ideas Because It Cannot Be Found Elsewhere Except In You Where It Is Deposited"

Today, that idea has yielded fruit, as government ministries, agencies, departments, parastatals, individuals, and corporate organizations, now find Innoson Vehicles as their preferred choice. Thanks to Innocent Chukwuma's creative ingenuity.

Ejike Camillus Mbaka:

He is one person that I have always admired. This is not because of his riches nor the fact that I hail from the same community as him; a very remote community called Ituku, in the present-day, Awgu local government area of Enugu

state, Nigeria, West Africa, but for the fact that he became a success amid daunting challenges. At least, I am an eyewitness to his childhood travails. So, I am in

good stead to share his story with the world.

He was born and bred by peasant parents whose major occupations were palm wine tapping and other farming activities. But like the proverbial determined soul', he was able to withstand the shocks that were hoisted on him in life by nature as a result of the circumstances of his birth.

"Failure is not thinking, not making attempts, even the mighty falls victim"

Camillus, being his childhood name, is one man that one could say, rose from obscurity to light, from grass to grace, from zero to hero, and from nobody to somebody.

His drive and pursuit in life, were characterized by determination, focus, sagacity of purpose, and above all, the fear of God.

Born in the remote village of Amata, in Ituku Community, in Awgu local government area of Enugu State, Nigeria.

On arrival on the world stage as a priest of the Roman Catholic faith in 1995, he brought in radical praises worship and prayers that seems to have single-handedly altered Catholicism and its worshiping pattern in Africa and the world in general. To sum it up, he spear-headed the revolution of the catholic faith in his country, Nigeria, to the extent that he is now known and seen as the face of the Roman Catholic faith in Nigeria by his admirers and followers.

He was to become the first clergy in his country Nigeria to be officially invited and hosted to the nation's seat of power, Aso Rock, by a seating President, Muhammadu

Buhari in his private capacity.

Finally, all these men as mentioned above, considering the circumstances of their birth, did not resign to fate even in times of adversity, uncertainty, and daunting challenges. They held onto their faiths, believing in the worth of the ideas in their beings, and today, they are celebrated for being a leading figure in their generation and society; and have become a huge source of inspiration to other people within their immediate environment and the world over.

In the submission of Andrew Young; "If you want to develop a mountain of faith in the pursuit of your idea, all you need do is, build a positive self-image of the idea in you.

Building a mental image of any conceived idea in you, will release that power of positive self-actualization.

"Do not always expect your idea to be as bad as your thoughts would want you to see it"

What you give inside you, is what you gets outside it. There is no way we can make it when we allow the opportunities that lie in the shell and ocean of challenges to pass us by.

NUGGET #7

Your Product, Your Idea, Your Value.

"If Your Product Can Not Distinguish You Where You Are, You May Never Be Distinguished Anywhere".

…. **Anonymous**

#7

Discourse Overview

This nugget; takes us to the understanding of the fact that what we work to become is always what we are going to express and produce outside of us. People can only assess you with your character and daily conduct, especially on how you react to issues around you. The level of your life and the level you are at any point in time, is simply where your thoughts and mindset have taken you to.

There is no hiding place for anyone. People see you every moment and every day through your character which forms the product you express. What you are and where you are is where your idea has carried you to.

If you are not comfortable with your present situation or where you are, then you must look out for a means of redirecting your energy and idea to a better and more rewarding venture. To go ahead of your present position, you must always make your product to express the best of you. Always give good interpretation to your ideas, it gives out products that tells and show the man next to you who and what you really are.

Your Product, Your Idea, Your Value

There Are Always More Goods Bought By The Heart Than By The Head.

George Henning

Every product is always a result of an idea. Whether good or bad, every idea often produces a product. No product ever came by accident, it is a process that took effort and passed through several stages to materialize.

Whatever your products are, it is your idea in physical manifestation. You should see them as a worthy initiative, and always be prepared to confront them with this mindset.

Your ideas should be to you first and foremost your pride

no matter how insignificant other people may see it. Your product, I mean your personality, is a product of an idea living in your being; it speaks volumes about you and even represents you when you are not there.

Your product, must be worthy in your sight before it can be meaningful in the sight of others. Just as the Chinese famous proverb says, a good product, is always a product of good thinking. And I add this, in the same vein; a bad product is always a product of bad thinking.

Statistically, the world population is estimated at a mind-blowing figure. Inside this figure, Google search shows that Africa's population estimation is put at five billion People.

Demographically, these are the statistics; Europe 5 billion, Asia 7 billion, Africa 5 billion, America 6 billion, and so on. Within these populations, whatever may be your idea, there already exist some fraction that will embrace it hook line, and sinker.

Even if it is the smallest portion of these populations that embraces your idea/product, and when this is done, you have indeed achieved something for humanity. This is the cardinal objective and principle of every idea.

Within these populations, as earlier mentioned, there will be those who may like your idea for one reason or the other, as much as several others who may dislike it for one reason or the other.

"You don't need to croak to be heard, strategy is the key word"

This is what your idea and indeed every idea needs to get moving. Don't expect everybody to like your idea nor expect everybody to hate it For in your idea, you are only speaking to a targeted section of the public, and not every member of the public. Never you be weary or feel intimidated when your idea is not given you enough courage it deserves due to low enthusiasm, rather work on identifying the grey areas, as this would help to reduce the end user's apathy toward it. Be assured that in your idea when those you are speaking to get it, they will grab it and take it home for good.

All over the world, all ideas known to mankind have always been sustained by these attitudes of people's perception of them. So never expect your idea to be less of these, or rather, you should be surprised if your idea fails to meet these basic standards, I mean, the want its populations, and the, I don't want its populations.

Let's peep into the mind of Alfred Noble, the man who invented the atomic bomb. Listening to his reason for inventing the atomic bomb, everyone would agree that his vision was born out of patriotic zeal no doubt, as it was meant to for

Power Of Idea: The Compatriots Of Excellence

These are some notable personalities who stunned their environment with the power of ideas. They rose from ashes to glory. They were like you and me, or any other being among us. Born in the same environment under similar economic, social, and political circumstances.

They had their challenges but did not see them as big enough to halt their burning desire to leave their footprints on the sands of time. Today, they are a global brand for believing, exploring and exploiting the ideas within their being. This could be you if you can put your idea to work henceforth.

men to respect each other by the knowledge of the damage his idea would cause their existence. But little did he know that his noble vision would constitute the greatest weapon for promoting world peace ever known to man.

For instance, it is the same atomic bomb that was used in the past to nearly annihilate the world; remembering here the Second World War. Yet, this same product, still has its usefulness in the mind of many, as the fear of the atomic bomb has created remarkable peace around the world.

"Discovery is the end product of every idea"

Though; Alfred Noble died several years ago, the idea he left behind, has put mankind in a state of perpetual fear, misery and sorrow, and yet. a global prosperous, peaceful, and united world.

Your idea may also be accepted in the mind of many just like this atomic bomb story, but like Alfred Noble, you must have delivered your idea to your world.

When I launched myself as a young poet with my first poem, 'Path to Success' I saw it as my idea and I subjected it to public tests and comments. I have to walk through the markets, roads, motor parks, streets, hawking it to get a first-hand public reaction to it.

Despite the setbacks that confronted me, I was also to get to a convinced understanding that it has achieved the purpose of meeting people's demands in one way or the other. It equally fills a vacuum in the mind of people which hitherto was created by fear of confronting their live time challenges.

I could recall vividly how a young man in his late twenties

bought large quantities in one transaction. To the attitude and action of this man, I was compelled by conscience to know the reason behind this bulk purchase. The man simply told me that he would distribute it to his friends, family members, neighbors, and colleagues who may not and may never have the opportunity of seeing me or the work.

Another incident I will not forget in a hurry; was a letter that I received from one of the numerous readers,

congratulating and commending me for a-work well done.

Sharing with me the inspiration he has gotten from the poem and how it has affected him positively.

Reading through this letter alone, and many others that followed, in addition to these experiences they shared, simply made my vision for this poem a dream accomplished.

"Fear is faith in reverse; when you begin to see your inabilities and not your possibilities"

Permit me to share with you an excerpt from that letter, and others that followed; it read thus;

Dear Sir,

I thank God for what he has used you and is using you to achieve for humanity, providing hope to this near-hopeless generation and making people believe and have hope for a brighter and well deserve future through your creative

writing/poem 'Path To Success'.

After going through your work, failure in my life, my approach and attitude of doing things have radically changed for the better, as I am beginning to believe for a successful and

a rewarding future with my idea.

Also, an SMS from an anonymous telephone number wrote this, still about my work;

Thank you for using your work to touch me at this point in my life. It has rekindled my life's thoughts views, and I am beginning to have confidence in realizing my life's set goals.

It indeed provided me with a direction that I should take in confronting the obstacles and challenges of life. Your motivational thriller, Path to Success, has been wonderful to my soul.

One of the verses in that poem read thus;

"Your success may not be too near, but the delay should not signal fear of failure, rather a step to a better success"

In analyzing this verse, we are admonished here, not to always see the quick and immediate conclusion to every product of any ideas we may give birth to. We must always be patient in perfecting every product of every idea that comes to us, up to the stage that it would have met the demand of humanity.

"Idea is as potent as it is the only instrument that God uses and is using through man to complete his plan for humanity"

However, I must equally admit that I had several adverse criticisms and knocks from those people who thought that my work, Path To Success, could have been lots better. All these are the ingredients any idea needs to fester successfully. I am excited that my work met them all.

To cap this discussion, I would like to share here, one of the comments made by one of the reviewers of this book;

Power Of Idea; In A World Of Possibilities. Dr. Augustine Okorie, the then, State Director, National Orientation Agency, (NOA); Enugu state, at the launch of the first edition of this book in 2007 at the then, Hotel Presidential, Enugu,

This is what Dr. Augustine Okorie, has to say about the book in his review comment and in his capacity as the Book Chief's Reviewer;

Dr. Augustine Okorie, wrote thus about this book;

Excerpt

This book "Power of Idea in a World of Possibilities" is a positive contribution to the global campaign on attitudinal change, which is one of the major assignments and mandates of the National Orientation Agency (NOA), to see the positive aspects of life with the correct mindset.

"Human idea is the widest scope of all human imagination"

For those who have come across the book, it has become a meltdown of positive thinkers and progressive minds.

The book provided an avenue and opportunity for youths of this country in particular and the larger segments of the society in general, to bestir themselves and brainstorm for an earnest quest for knowledge. It makes a bold statement as regards the issue of self-reliance.

This book under review, to me, is a catalyst that has the capacity of challenging everyone, especially the teens and youths of this generation and beyond, toward taking a positive part to greatness. It is like an observatory, a

beacon of a sort with which life can be navigated upon with ease and great success.

Permit me to go through some of the cerebral comments of those human beings who have read and digested this book.

It has been described in such a-wonderful and superlative terms. Some of these are as follows "Motivational therapy, positive influence, a recommended medicine for the mind, some insightful facts, an exposée that enables one to live inside and outside one's imagination, an idea worthy to be explored, a knowledge reservoir, brain and mind booster, will ginger your swagger", and so on.

The book "Power of Idea in a World of Possibilities"

admonishes people to dream dreams and to pursue their dreams to a logical conclusion, to have inspiration and drive through knowledge, to live their dreams, and to do that in full.

"Don't allow any negative thoughts that you may encounter along the line in the realization of your idea dwarf your zeal for the successes so far recorded"

Finally, for me, this book "Power of Idea in a World of Possibilities" is a grounds-well of

knowledge of limitless possibilities, inspiration, and

\motivational force which the teens, the youths, and indeed all manners of persons need for the proper mindset

development and success in life.

As I speak to you, the ideas that are contained in this book are already having an enormous effect on my life. I am beginning to have regret at those chances I have failed in the

time past to take a shot at. May this not be your story, as I advise you to embrace the idea in this book to enable every reader to navigate the terrain of life's journey. I am sure that this review of mine is just a tip of the iceberg of what the book will do in your life too.

I, therefore, advise you to grab a copy of this book now that you have found it.

With these actions and comments from people who went through my work without knowing me nor my status in life, I felt like a hero, for having produced a masterpiece that has touched people's consciences, and heal wounds caused by the stagnation of life's offerings.

With all these views and accolades to my idea by some segments of the public, I felt a relief that my heart's desire has been met through these works of mine, for expressing these ideas that lie fallow in me to my environment and my world at large, and by so doing, I equally helped myself by lifting off my thoughts, the burden placed by my non-expression of it. Indeed, what I see as my idea has brought blessing to mankind and my generation and this cannot be measured in terms of any currency of any country of the world.

"In every idea, there is always something for everyone. Always position your mind and thought to receive yours"

That your idea is possible too. That it has not attracted the support nor the publicity you craved for, does not mean it will not or will never attract people's attention. Never see those delays as a denial, rather see them as a recipe for stepping up your efforts in every idea you have conceived.

Your Product, Your Idea, Your Value

The problem with many people is that they want success at their own pace and time. Some people believe that success must come at all costs and by every means possible.

For success to come to us, we must open our minds to ideas and as well work with them as the come. We must agree with our heart to achieve success in life through the idea that we have initiated in our thoughts and minds for our world.

Abraham Lincoln became a success today because he had his ideas not only glued to his mind, but he worked with them. He has never gone sorrowing and blaming others for his woes and misfortunes in life rather, he kept on believing in the power in his ideas, and today the rest is history. The story of

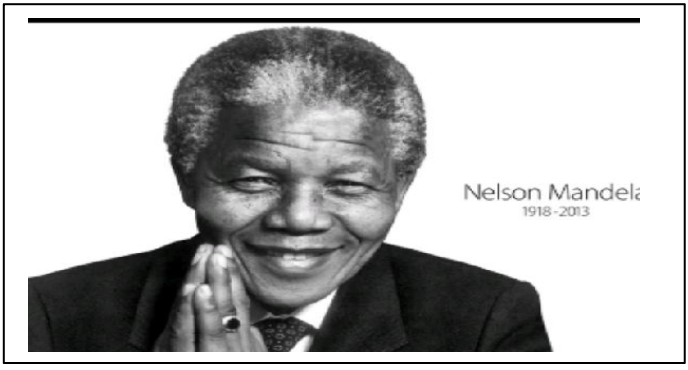
Abraham Lincoln is exhaustively discoursed in one of the subsequent chapters of this book

"Don't let that your failed idea deny you the opportunities that live in a beautiful one, always generate new ones and run with it"

This is a man who did not attend a formal school system, yet, he rose to become one of the greatest

lawyers in American history. He was said to have had a business wreck. Failed in his several elections in the House of Representatives and the Senate, yet, he became the greatest leader that ever came out of America State. His idea was within him and he knew it. What his story implies is that one's failure can be a breeding ground for a prosperous and rewarding future.

That you failed your nomination as a commissioner today does not mean you cannot become something better,



Power Of Idea; A Glance From The Wisdom Cup Of Nelson Mandela

Nelson Mandela is today being celebrated for leading the crusade against imperialism; social segregation and injustice perpetrated by the British-led colonial domination of his native home, South Africa.

He defiled every colonial threat to kill the last vestige of the notorious Apartheid Policy-led regime which has not only relegated his people to the threshold of history and a state of nothingness. It was believed that he spent twenty-seven years in prison to achieve this feat. His idea brought hope and freedom to human existence.

There is no limit to that idea in you, just believe in it and do everything within your reach to express it to the world. You too; you are born to be a champion with that idea in you.

even a governor or a minister tomorrow. Maybe you have been eyeing the wrong seat and failed to hear the beat of your inner mind.

When your mind is seen to be feasible to your idea, leave it to the next place your mind takes you to. Your mind is like a searchlight, always at work. Always listen to its rhythm.

Abraham Lincoln in the story of his life, did not stay all through trying to become a businessman, a Senator, or a House of Representative's member, he allowed his mind to work for him by moving on with it.

A speaker once admitted that one faithful day; he picked up a book on a friend's shelf to read. On the passage in one of the chapters, one of the postulations stuck him in his head; and immediately he dropped the book, insisting that there is no need for his further reading of the book as that particular passage has impressed on him to have gotten what was meant for him from that book. To this very speaker, he has simply gotten what the book has in stock for him.

> ***"In every human, lies an idea, in every idea lays discovery. Don't let yours pass you by, pursue it with vigor"***

In other passages and chapters of this book also, other postulation, theories and thoughts were made which may have attracted the attention of other readers other than the one that may have attracted me, and with this number of acceptance, this book is made; and this is what all ideas needs to get going, ie, every idea must possess the quality of attracting the "I like it" and the "I don't like it"population.

Your Product, Your Idea, Your Value

In every idea, there is always something for everyone.

Always position your mind and thoughts to receive yours. Ideas do not only flow through book reading; but also in our daily social interaction with our environment. Such as

conversation with one another, like gossip, even in the

character and actions of friends, neighbours, passersby, and what we see, feel and touch around us.

Wonderful ideas are always busy moving within and

around our immediate surroundings, even within our hearts and thoughts. We can only notice this if our mind is positioned in such a way that shows that we need it.

To conclude this nugget, there is this book that I have read, Tough Times Never Last, But Tough

People Do.

There is this stricken postulation in this book that captured my

"You may be wasting the whole of what is in you, your very steps to greatness, when you become prodigal to your ideas"

attention, and it reads thus; 'the most effective speech, is not a sermon but a witness'. And the principle is this, if you don't have enough in your head to deliver as a speech, you can always share your own experience in life, for people always like eyewitness accounts.

We are always free when we share with others our

personal experiences; there are always some things new to learn from other's experiences and stories of adventure.

The author with these numbers of readership and interest

in such a book, must have accomplished his or her set out goal of reaching the world through the instrumentality of his idea put in writing.

There is no limit to that idea in you. Just like my humble self, Abraham Lincoln, and several others who believe in the potency of the idea that lives in our being.

We have already; and always expressed these ideas in our life's aspirations, and this is seen by the way we live our lives.

We should always show enthusiasm and courage to our ideas, and use them to actualize our individual life's ambitions.

We should, while expressing the ideas in our minds, always come to the terms and conclusion that since the contents in it meant something to us; it must mean something to countless others. And with these mindsets, we are able to rule the world of our minds through the instrumentality of our ideas.

"In the journey of life, there is always opportunity for everyone, it is for you to either make your journey successful, or mar it"

Always allow these mindsets to rule your thoughts since it is what will produce and bring the idea into your being. Never fail to express yourself when you need to do so; not minding the obvious obstacles that may come with it, for in every idea, there lays an iota of discovery.

Always be proud of what you do, it's your idea, dignity, your pride, and value. Believe in it and let the outcome always mean something to you at all times.

NUGGET #8

Life Always Has A Positive Mental Attitude

"If You Can Dream Of Becoming The President Of America, You Would Become Anything".

Anonymous.

#8

Discourse Overview

This nugget; explains that the only language life understands is positivity. In man's quest for survival, he is often

confronted with great challenges, the fact remains that what is contained in our thoughts is often greater than the challenges that come with it.

The nugget, also tells us to believe in what we do and always expect great results. Yes; it is not only when you do something that you can see the results, results also come when you do nothing. Always know that whichever result you get in life, it is what you have worked for. Because in life, we always have options available to us at every moment. The attitude that you express toward your idea will always go a long way to determine how far you can go with it.

Whenever an idea comes to you, for it to come to a logical conclusion, you must give it your best shot. That is by you investing all you have and have got into it. You must believe in your idea before you can mobilize the required energy to pursue its realization. If you want to build the ladder of your dream, all you need is to build positive thoughts before you go into the construction of this ladder of your mindset.

Life Always Has A Positive Mental Attitude

The person who uses his skills and constructive imagination to see how much he can give for a dollar instead of how much he can get for a dollar is bound to succeed

Harry Ford

America is unarguably the most powerful nation on earth. It has come to a point of understanding that whoever becomes the President of America, is considered the world no one citizen.

For America to get to this enviable position in the comity of nations, is not by any means small feet. Haven dealt with a devastating civil war that lasted for years, Americans were again in their quest for nationhood confronted with the identity question that gave rise to racism.

When the last vestige of racial discrimination was perceived to have been killed in 2008 by the emergence of a black immigrant, Barak Obama, an African-American of Kenya descent as the first Negro democratic elected President, the world's most celebrated political statement and event of this generation was made.

I want you to know that to be considered in this exalted seat as an American President does not require any Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), certificate, rather, what it requires is a certificate of self-will and self-determination. There is no other way of learning the art of greatness other than identifying our needs and pursuing them to a satisfactory end.

The world is about mankind; most people think that the attainment of higher qualification is the passport to bliss, that is a wishful thinking.

Life Always Has A Positive Mental Attitude

In his assessment of the role of education in achieving life goals, Malcolm Forbs wrote thus'

"Education's purpose to mankind is to replace an closed mind with the open one".

You don't learn success in school; it is a thing of common sense. If you refused to put your idea to work for you, you will for sure live to work for other persons or organization's ideas. And do you know; the after result is always far-reaching.

You will agree with me that the most successful man in your directory, may not be the most schooled man you have ever known or heard of. If you must succeed in your life's journey, you must learn the language of success, confronting life challenges with vigor.

Look at the lives of the great men you have studied or heard of in the past, you have not seen them and may never see them, yet, their contributions to humanity have been a reference point for ages.

"Failure Also Introduce One To A New Way Of Challenging The Old Efforts"

You may not have been wrongly informed that some of them were confronted with the severe pressure of life; you may not equally have been wrongly informed that while some triumphed over their life's challenges, others were consumed by it, while several others abandoned theirs halfway.

These people who triumphed over the pressure that clipped into their lives, like their counterparts who did not, did not acquire the whole certificate in the world, rather they have the certificate of I can do it spirit, and the other,

I can't do it spirit.

These I can do it spirit of people, often and always initiate their ideas, develop the methodology towards actualizing them; and they went all the way to give their best in actualizing them. And today, the majority of what you and I are enjoying in the name of inventions, innovations, and whatnot, are products of these efforts.

With the present technological know-how which is equally the product of these great minds that lived before this era, you and I have a very good ground and platform to build a healthier, prosperous, and better world in our midst.

What you should know is that in the journey of life, there is always an opportunity for everyone, it's either you make the best use of it or you mar it. As William Shakespeare would admit," there is a tide in the affairs of men which well taken, leads to fortune, but when missed, brings misery, sorrow, and death".

"Don't let your doomed yesterday deny you the opportunity that lies in a beautiful tomorrow"

If you were asked, where do you want history to place you, what will your answer be? The more you seek relevance to life's questions, the closer the answers get to you.

There is nobody that has a limit; we only see our limit within the figment of our imagination.

I think Jack Ma, was right when he noted that those who dare to think outside the box are today the world's most successful people.

The majority of these people, dropped out of a formal education pursuit, to pursue their ideas; and today the world is celebrating them for achieving uncommon inventions and innovation for humanity. They achieved their life's pursuits without any known educational certificate, but only on the certificate of self-will.

Arguing further, Jack Ma, used a vivid illustration to buttress his point, and this goes thus;

"If you put a banana and money before a monkey, the monkey will go for the banana because the monkey does not know that money can buy a lot of bananas.

In the same vein, if you offer a job and a business to people, many of the people would choose a job, because these people do not know that business when properly harnessed can bring you more monies and jobs, also, the business will give you more and better salary than the job will give you.

"If you refuse to put your idea to work for you, you will for sure work for others idea"

Yet, in every business, you are doing a job, just like in every job, you are equally doing a business.

The difference is that in the job, you are controlled and never allowed to optimally harness your idea. But in the business, you are the best winner and the worst loser, as your destiny lies in your ability to make a difference, to either create or mar your world.

Jack Mar concluded thus: Yes, agreed that salary will earn the people a living, but in the same vain, profit from a well-harnessed business will earn the people some fortune".

In a world of possibilities

Power Of Idea: The Unsung Heroines

There is one thing common among these women, they identified a need in their environment and sorted out means of confronting it headlong not minding the obstacles. Their actions gave relevance and voice to womanhood in the society today. The idea they nursed and nurtured earned them a place in the world scene.

Never allow that idea in you to go to waste, it also meant something to some people. It could be what you need to announce yourself to the world scene.

But always know it; that making your business a profitable venture demands a lot of organization and sacrifices from and within you.

A profitable business venture demands a lot of organization and sacrifice from and within you. These are the rough and tough terrain you will see on your way to making your business a profitable venture that will give you that fortune that you so much crave.

So, be prepared as you travel on this road. There is no mountain in any idea anywhere that ever existed in the world, except the mountain that lives in the imaginations of our thoughts.

"The more you challenge your ideas, the higher the marginal propensity of you achieving your life goal"

The mountains that live in our

thoughts are the only mountain that can stop us from reaching our height of expectations and ambitions.

There is no hurdle in life that we cannot scale through when you have the master key, and these master keys can only be found when you initiate what you want to achieve in life, and have plans of action in executing them and pursuing them to their very end.

In whatever you do, always know that there are always two sides to it. Be courageous as you expect the best of it. Also, have an open mind to accept any outcome, should your expectation falls short of your expected result.

In setting out our goals in the pursuit of an idea, never you fall into the temptation of wild dreams, or in the euphoria of a vision accomplished. No idea comes easy,

the courage and the determination one put into the realization of an idea will go a long way to determining how far the result will be.

Always be inspired to aspire. Failure is not thinking, not attempting, even the mighty falls victim. No matter your situation or the challenges that confront you, always have it behind your thought that no time is ever too late.

"With that idea hibernating in your being, you too can become the renaissance man of today's world"

You always, still have the whole chance and opportunity in life to change your present life situation and advance to the next stage of your life. Your future can be better off only if you can cease this moment of your life to start planning for it.

Beware of the antics of failure; do not allow your emotion to becloud your reasoning, frustration to override your emotion, nor temptation to seat on your already recorded success.

Success always has a positive mental attitude, it's a one-way traffic. When you want to succeed, you think of success, but when you want to fail, you get confused. Beware of these facts.

NUGGET #9

Life's Generous Offerings

"Life Is Either A Daring Adventure Or Nothing"

Helen Keller.

#9

Discourse Overview

Yes, we all came to roll on life like a river on its course.

This nugget discourse is centered on our purpose in life and how we should see and relate to it. Life is quite an adventure as in it lies limitless ideas to express and

opportunities to contend with.

When any idea that comes to you fails to sustain its saltiness, it is that same idea that would still provide you with pedestals where you can move on, to the next phase your mind takes you to. Life itself abhors limitations, we all are on it to explore its potential.

Always learn to avail yourself to the fact that in this world of possibilities, there is always space and environment for everyone to express their innate idea.

Not minding what you have seen or are seeing, there lies in us more that have not been revealed to us and humanity; and more that is needed to be revealed to us and to the world of humanity. You can imagine what may be living in us and those opportunities and ideas that we have in the time past failed to explore and express.

So, in this world, there is a space for everyone and every player to express themselves, for the next idea that will advance the course of humanity may be on its way from the idea in any of us.

Life's Generous Offerings

God Gives Every Bird Its Food, But He Does Not Throw It Inside The Nest.

Anonymous

What may be perceived as an "incredible thing" took place sometime in 2006, in a seminar in the heart of the capital city, Abuja, Nigeria. In this luxury hotel, guests drawn from all works of life have got seated and are waiting for the much-advertised lecture, centered on human capital and capacity development.

The press crews were also on the ground. Also, students in both private and public sector schools were there, waiting anxiously for that speaker that has the capacity to mentor these icons who are at the peak of their careers, drawn from the banking, oil and gas, telecommunication, military brass, business magnets, selected politicians, just to mention but a few.

While in the hall, suddenly, silence enveloped the air, a young man without an arm stepped out into the podium. As an observer, I had wondered what an armless man has to offer these professionals who are already at the height of their professional callings.

Though, after this lecture, I came to my senses that indeed anybody could be anything. It is what we make out of our life that makes each of us different from any other being around us.

The difference between you and the other beings is in the application of the enormous gift of nature that we all possess in one form or the other. I saw this man applying

the ingenuity in his being to accomplish the mission that the event requires. This great lecturer/speaker is no other person than John Forbs.

John Forbs, throughout the lecture, did not only captivate his audience by sharing his battle with life experiences, having arrived in this world armless, but also chronicled his journey to stardom. In the end, the lecture lived up to its billing and the guests were all looking satisfied for a time and money well spent.

Let me share with you here a little piece about John Forbs; John Forbs is one of those people in our society referred to as people with special needs.

He arrived in this world without arms. After passing through the painful stage as a child, and having realized how little his chances are in enjoying life's gifts, he finally discovered that he must defeat these challenges that are taken and have taken the better part of his life or he dies a miserable man.

John Forbs was able to use his newfound decision to challenge his situation, that thereafter, he took over the driver's seat of his life with his newfound attitude. This is to the extent that whatever the complete man does, John Forbs does with his two legs. He writes, paints, cooks, eats and to cap it up, John Forbs, like every other youth of his age, eventually acquired a master's degree in Social Works from one of

"If you have got no idea to share in life, then you are not worthy to live among the real men. Its idea that makes real people"

the most reputable universities in Illinois, in the United

State of America.

With this newfound decision of his, John Forbs finally conquered the shortfalls that life has foisted on him by mere physical disability.

The journey of John Forb's rise to stardom is a-proof beyond reasonable doubt that no man is a-biological garbage, and that every ugly side of life is meant to propel us to new thinking and not necessarily to diminish us.

John Forbs, is perhaps just one among several other

physically challenged persons who are genuinely confronting their life challenges instead of resigning to their life condition the way many others with his similar condition would gladly do, so as to eat from the public crumbs in the name of begging for arms.

John Forbs, is today counted among those men of his generation who triumphed over their life's challenges by defiling the obstacles that came their way to hit the world stage. This is indeed a great lesson to this generation and generation unborn.

> ***"This is your world and by extension your home on earth, you are a partaker and stakeholder in the goodness thereof"***

John Forbs' triumph over life, is only an expository of the strength in the inner man, and this is inherent in every being.

Like in this John Forbs' story, every one of us is born with the same success instinct, the difference simply lies in the

different attitudes one adopts in his life's situation.

Life is indeed a journey everyone must make and are making. You are already making yours, as I am already making mine. We all are already moving to our destined places. Why not move on to your location, and direction, and believe in the journey and your ability to finish strong?

Even if you fail along the line, take it as one of the

experiences that come with life issues and move on, for it is better to fail while making efforts towards expressing those things in our ideas than not trying them out at all.

Success can only come to you when you go for it with the determination to succeed in it. Success is in everyone, it is a matter of how you choose to express the very one that is in you.

No matter your situation, you have to adventure into life with your idea as John Forbs did, and like many others who succeeded with their ideas.

If John Forbs' life has challenged you, then, Kristian Lytle's story will keep you spellbinding. Kristian Lytle, (name not real), is one of the most successful entrepreneurs that ever came out of the Pacific.

> ***"Every idea is meant for a purpose, something that never existed"***

History had it that Lytle came out from a home that could be described as the poorest of the poor. Haven narrowly

succeeded in attaining higher education, Lytle, set off his career as a freelancer in the property industry where he closed several business deals running to several millions of dollars.

He later invested the money he made in books, Insurance and

freight forwarding business. Lytle, in one of the

interviews he granted to the press, has argued that if he has got the idea, power, strength, and attitude to work and make money for others, such power should as well be extended to his 'self' income generation.

In a nutshell, Kristian Lytle's resolved to pursue for himself what he could have pursued for others for a little in return. His resolve did not only increase his capacity in life, but also earn him a seat in the classroom of the great drivers of the economy of the environment in which he dwells.

We all can achieve all we have set out to achieve in life if we adopt the John Forbs and Kristian Lytle formula. This can only be possible if we listen to our inner minds and wax the power in it.

The above story has vindicated some scholars' argument that the talk of unemployment in the developing nations of the world could as well be described as the failure of the mind to take charge of the ideas that come into it and lives in it.

These revealed experiences and lesson from Kristian Lytle's story, has shown that there is no best employment better than self-employment. That is to say, the best employment is that employment that is created and developed in the mind and expressed by the bearer to generate satisfaction for the mind, body and soul.

"Would you allow yourself to be intimidated or be cheated out of life by mere obstacles challenges or perceived threats?"

Describing the relationship between a worker and an employee,

an unknown author in an article titled "CEO's Slavery Psychology" dropped this finding thus:

"Imagine a cold sea with much ice, then the CEO sends you to work inside the sea with your whole body becoming cold and ice. The CEO on the other hand, has a small Kettle of hot water, he is pouring inside the sea this hot water far from where you are in other to warm you a little.

Going through the above story, you and I know that hot water coming out of this kettle cannot change the sea temperature, but you can only understand this logic if you have developed a mind of your own. You cannot give what you don't have.

The picture painted above; is the way workers in the world suffer from their CEOs. They gives you very small money that will keep you with them. They won't pay you enough to save as to become as rich as them because they want you to remain with them, so as to keep you feeding on the remains of their tables.

The fight to be free from this labour slavery won't happen just by mere talk, prayers, and wishes. You must be deliberate, well-positioned, you must be aware and conscious of what you need to do, as to make it possible.

"How much you view the person in you is the message you pass outside of you. Always give yourself a daily assessment to have good judgment over your being".

The author continues; see, this trend is everywhere in the world. Every company owner only values you because of the work you do for them and because they are using you.

The day they are done with you, nothing will keep you. The day you get injured or die, they won't shut down the company for even one day for your sake. See, no matter the good work you do, it will be forgotten one day.

So, with this conversation, it's time to grow your brand, it's time to re-birth those small dreams or ideas in you. Though it might look small, yes, start it small and watch how it grows.

Am not by this story saying that we should not work for others ideas, but we should work with the sole aim and purpose of using it to create a life of our own, else we will forever remain a slave to the CEO".

A local activist once said that "freedom is man's first condition", it is the pride of every man not to be controlled or be dictated upon. There is a limit to what that man or woman called your "boss" can do for you, but there is no limit to what you can do for yourself with the power of ideas inherent in your being.

Just like John Forbes and Kristian Lytle, they are today, a fulfilled man because they seek freedom first.

These people may not be as wealthy as you may want to believe or expect, but they have succeeded in measuring their wealth with their state of mind, and this is the basic foundation of individual fulfillment and successful living.

"The main purpose of everyone is to give birth to self-ideas"

A truly fulfilled man is that man that is contented with his mind and the work he is doing as expressed in his idea, no matter what comes out of it, he is always satisfied.

In a world of possibilities

Power Of Idea; Winston Churchill's Talking Drum

Have a dream and pursue your dreams. This is the idea Winston Churchill has brought and left for humanity.

Winston Churchill dreamt of being the British Prime Minister at the age of twelve and jealously pursued it till it came to pass thirty-eight years later.

When will you see your future?

He is that person that has learned to manage what he has got within the limit of his income.

In the observation of a London-based success magazine', "A man with one million dollars is not necessarily always happier than a man with one Japanese yen".

In everything you do, you have to identify a unique way of reaching out to your targeted audience with your idea.

Ideas still rule the world. What people seek for is that idea that could make a difference in the world, and this comes in different forms. If you have non to market, then you should count yourself among the spectators of the world, those who watch and wonder why and how things happen the way they do.

> ***"Success people are those who turned their challenging moments to opportunity moment"***

Nothing should hold you back from venturing into your dream, not even failure, and nothing should stop you from reaching the top of your dreams, not even the success you have already achieved in life.

Though it is a known phenomenon that nothing holds one back from venturing into his idea more than fear of failure.

But the lesson we should equally note is that failure in itself, if well explored, is also a stepping stone to greater success.

All known inventors, achieved their success from failed efforts. Failure aside from making us look feeble with our ideas, also teaches us how not to do the old things in the old way. Failure is success channeled in the wrong direction.

Failures also introduce one to a new way of challenging the old efforts. So whenever you have failed, also and always have it in mind that you have succeeded in knowing how not to repeat the old things the old way, and what not to do when confronted with a similar challenge in the future.

With failure, you have also got the opportunity of not going back to repeat the old things the old way.

This is the challenge Thomas Edison faced. He failed more often than he succeeded in his efforts to achieve his set out goal of inventing the electric bulb of his idea. He failed ninety-nine times but succeeded once.

That he failed ninety-nine times, but this did not stop him from going forward in accomplishing the dream of his heart desire. He was to eventually accomplish the feat as his resolve to push on finally gave him the desired breakthrough. Like many others before him,

Thomas Edison joined the League of Inventors in his lifetime.

"Most people think that attainment of higher education is passport to bliss***, this is a wishful thinking. Idea is what everyone desires for a blossom future. It also come without education"***

Also, Nigeria's Muhammadu Buhari's story, is a feat that

acknowledges the saying that a man can rise from the ashes of defeat. Those who followed his political travail will admit that he is one man who has got the bitter taste of failure in his life struggle for the political relevance in his country, Nigeria.

He was never given any chance by political pundits to

triumph in his political career. For three consecutive times, he ran for the position of his country's presidency, just like Abraham Lincoln of the United States of America, and on each occasion, he failed.

With the thought of throwing in the towel, he was again moved by his inner thoughts, that power inherent in his being, to seek for that position for the fourth consecutive attempt. And this time, luck smiled on him, as he was elected the President of his country, Nigeria.

Buhari would have quit long ago considering the circumstance and situation surrounding him. For many reasons, the odds were against him. He came from the opposition party; he had no money to throw about like other politicians who are equally showing interest in the same position, and he was to confront and contend with the power of an incumbent that parades mighty influences to his advantage.

> ***"Understanding your purpose and reason for every of your action ahead of time, could prevent problem from arising in your drive to actualize your idea"***

He equally had an eligibility scandal trailing his candidature and certificate. Yet, he didn't quit, and because he didn't quit, in his further attempt, being the fourth time, luck smiled on him, as he was elected as the president of his country, Nigeria.

What is that your ambition that you cannot pursue due to the presence of fear of failure? Is it the fear of managing the outcome or the fear that you will fail in the end? You must note that everyone is born with one great gift, the

right to succeed, what kills this mindset is man's unbelief and I can't do it attitude that also lives in us.

Life is truly possible for everyone, and for your destiny to be accomplished, you have to make yourself available so that when it comes, you will not be found wanting. Destiny is real, but it wouldn't come to you while you idle away nor wallop in ignorance of fear of the unknown.

Every one of us can amount to something, but this is only if we can always confine ourselves to our goals and push diligently towards realizing them. Always set your eyes on what you can do and not what can undo you. This attitude if developed in one's inner thought in itself, is a stepping stone to greatness.

"If you must get to the top, you must plan your way to the top from beginning"

To succeed in life, all you need is to always get started and never quit. When you dedicate yourself to that idea that has come knocking in your mind and jealously pursue it to its logical conclusion, then you are sure that you really want to be where and you want to be, that person of your choice.

But when you start seeing and storing in your mind the danger or hurdles that you have to pass through on your way to accomplishing that idea that has come knocking in your mind, that idea may never manifest or at best will be executed half-hazard, and at the end, you only get what comes out of it and not what you really wanted out of it. But when you enter into the execution of your idea with boldness and a courageous mindset, then, you are sure of getting out of it what you want and not necessarily what

will come out of it.

Life is all about goals, for in any goal you are aiming at, you must make your decision first, lest you crash your feet. Before you venture into any idea, make your decision before hands, that is, always decide either to attempt or not to attempt it, and you must always choose one beforehand. Ninety-nine percent of failed ideas, failed due to the indecision of the idea bearer. Individuals who are caught in this web are only and always wish to attempt their ideas even when they believe or think they should not attempt. They see every idea as an incredible thing and not a challenge to confront nor an opportunity to be explored.

"If you want to construct any ladder of your idea, never allow it be a wishful thinking, go to work to get it done"

In the course of writing this book, I come across people whose stories have sent shocking waves down my spine. To some of these people, confronting life challenges is like taking a swim in a mighty ocean and their survival can only be sure when they are outside.

To these sets of personalities, they do not dare to take on those challenges of that idea that may have come to them in one form or the other. To them, everything in life is simply a phase. They first see danger, obstacles, and that I can't do it spirit sterling before their very eyes. Those who see life with this mindset have already lost the battle to show strength to the idea that comes to the mind.

To show relevance to life, you must stand with the possibilities of your thought and show strength to it. Always listen to

your inner mind. Your inner mind is your power, but most of us refuse to see it. Always make it the propeller of all your actions. You can still make it even where others have failed. Always learn to take every short in life with courage.

To these people who see life challenges as a mighty ocean, they simply go with the illusion that things happen through cosmic reaction to human existence with the belief and understanding that individual efforts can't alter any predestined course of event.

The only thing that differentiates every man from the rest is in his level of thoughts and how he executes those thoughts that come to him.

"You Too Can Make The Best Out Of That Your Idea, This Can Only Happen If You Go For It"

What do you always fill your heart with or where do you draw your inspirations from? There is no doubt to these facts that what you fill your heart with and where you draw your inspiration from, will definitely tell the quality of the idea that dwells in your heart. Those who became pastors or imams today drew their inspiration from their thoughts of religious-related perspectives. This is the same for those who became successful engineers, Doctors, nurses, and the likes of other professions.

No time is too late for anyone to start feeling the heat with those thoughts that will not only bring glory to oneself but also to one's generation, the generation unborn, and to humanity in general.

When you live all your life in doubt, you will always remain

where you are, that is been a spectator of events and not one of those who make things happen in their environment, nor the world.

Start now believing and expressing the power in your ideas, because they are not only real but are also capable of changing your present life situation for the better, and have the opportunity of being counted among the men and women in your environment, society, and beyond. For where there is a will, there is always a way.

"Success is in everyone, it is a matter of how you choose to express the very one that is in you"

NUGGET #10

When Life Gets Tough….

"Afflictions Is A Good Man's Shining Time"

Edward Young.

#10

Discourse Overview

Life offers a variety of gifts. In it, you will see the good, the bad, the ugly, and the beautiful. Also in it, there are the weak and the strong, the rich and the poor, the awkward, and so on.

This nugget; elucidates those options that are likely and readily available to mankind in order to make the list of any of these categories of personalities as aforementioned.

The pursuit of attainment of the greatest height in life is the hallmark of all individual efforts and the utmost desire of all beings. The nugget looks at the varied degree of issues that comes to a man in the pursuit of these life's offerings.

When Life Gets Tough....

Great Are Your Problems, But Greater Lies In Your Ability To Overcome Them

Bill Clinton

The affairs of this world are like the chameleon faeces

which I have stepped into, when I cleanse, cannot go... I am now in a situation where going forward is as difficult as going backward", echoes from; George Awoonor

William's poem, Songs' of Sorrow.

Have you ever found yourself in the above poet's situation, where going forward is as difficult as going backwards, an apt situation described by, Awoonor William as one being stuck with the chameleon faeces?

This moment as described by George Awoonor Williams in this poem, will no doubt always come in everyone's life's time, that is where and when one would be stuck with its own life's chameleon's faeces. But never you' quit in the midst of these challenges that come with life when this

situation comes knocking at your own very doorsteps, as it is only one of those obstacles that one must pass through in the journey of life, and these obstacles are meant to test your will and resolve for the task ahead.

How will you or how did you confront life's challenges when it comes your way? This is always the big question; this is always the big issue of life that you have to always bear in mind as you go through the journey of life.

There is no shying away from these big questions; and big issues. We must all live to be faced with these stark

realities of life, its upheavals, its joys, its sorrows, and its pains. They are all in one basket. We must live to pick from it one by one, each after another. We must pass through these hurdles, by emptying the content of these baskets for us to claim our relevance in the world.

Never be afraid to fail. Those winners out there were once losers who got their acts right. Do not surrender yourself to your challenging times. Never let your today's difficulties determine your tomorrow's opportunities. There is always a platform laid in life for everyone and in every situation to forge ahead, always look for your pedestal and move on.

"You should not expect to go through life journey without expecting to go through the challenges that is in it ."

You can only say to have surrendered your strength to weakness when you can no more strive to reach out to your goals in life. Always remember this popular axiom, which says, where there is life, there is always a-hope.

That you are in a trial moment does not mean you have approached the dead-end of your life. All people of global recognition and relevance that we talked about, or are

talking about today, passed the same path in their quest to be famous, but because they refused to be overwhelmed by the pressure and antics of life, they eventually made themselves the kind of brand that you and I know and are talking about today.

For one to join this league of famous people, I mean the league of famous personalities that we have talked about or are talking about, then, we must stop seeing those

unpleasant situations around us as defeat accomplish, rather we should start seeing them as a strategic point, and start finding how best we could respond to them.

In the shell of life, lies misery, frustration, difficulties, trials,

and, temptation, but at the end lies the opportunities that everyone crave for, but we have to get to that very end for us to see these opportunities comfortably seated and awaiting us.

Robert Harold Schuller is one of the world's most renowned motivational speakers and authors. He too had acknowledged that he has at a time in his life tested that situation that George Awoonor William described in his poem, as one being stuck with the chameleon faeces.

In one of his motivational workshops, that gave birth to one of his most celebrated books of all time, "Tough Times Never Last, But Tough People Do",

Robert Harold Schuller had admitted that at some times in his life, he too has got some tough times to contend with, but in his words, "I have to be tough too". For this speaker, these are the times when he was stuck with his 'own' chameleon faeces.

"Your idea is your mind long term investment that you must follow jealously to accomplish"

Robert Schuller has acknowledged before his audience in this very workshop that the thing that makes a bad situation worst is always the unpreparedness of the mind to confront what comes to it. He had argued that his mind's alertness to the issue of the idea that came to him had been his joker while confronting his tough time moments.

Like Schuller's story, always be alert to those issues that

In a world of possibilities

Power Of Idea: This Is Chinua Achebe's Story To Stardom;

This is the story of a man who believes too well that since the idea that hibernates in his mind meant something to him, it must mean something to countless others.

Chinua Achebe's exploit is a motivation to every man to dare at dreams and visions within self. It was said that his book "Things Fall Apart was rejected by publishers on account that he was not an established author.

Achebe never allowed the remark of the publishers about his work to discourage him from expressing his idea to humanity, as his belief in his work made him seek for self-publishing, which he eventually did.

This book was eventually adjourned as one of the most celebrated works in African literature and has given Chinua Achebe the widest publicity ever known by an African writer.

Whatever your dreams are, like Chinua Achebe, always summon the courage to start it. No matter your situation or condition, you will make it if you have a better strategy to confront your ideas.

come to your mind. Just like the Boys Scout Motto also says; "always be prepared". As the Boy's Scout motto says, "always be prepared". This has been the watchword for Robert H. Schuller as attested in his testimony, and this has helped him to confront those difficult moments as he confront issues in the journey of life.

Let me also through this medium, pass on this secret to you readers; as you go on in the life journey, "always be prepared" this is as not to be overwhelmed by your challenges and difficult moments. Also, note that opportunities often come to the footsteps of those who are never prepared for them. Do not be caught in these numbers.

Are you now prepared in your mind and attitude before the next opportunity cripples in, or are you still licking the wounds of the inglorious past? Past is past, and nothing will ever make any past events come to present or repeat themselves.

Always learn to forget the ugly events of your past, and start putting all that has happened with you in the past behind you, and step up your actions to carrying on in life, while tapping on the lessons and experience of your failed past. This is the moment of your "own" version of 'you' being stuck with the chameleon faeces. You do not have to move on in life with the attitude and experience of this moment. Drop them behind you and trudge on.

"Education without idea is a waste"

You should not expect to go through life's journey without expecting to go through the challenges that are in it. These ugly incidences of your past should only form a part of your life-defining moment, and history; but they should never

define your future, but only serve as a reminder to you on how you are to respond to other events around you or those that may come your way in the future. Accepting these challenges that come with life will always help us prepare and approach every life's questions with a robust frame of mind.

Instead of accepting every life's problem hook line and sinker, we should get ourselves always prepared to give the best that is in us towards overcoming these problems, and this would give our lives the meaning that others would emulate.

"You become prodigal to your idea when you allow it over run your reasoning and emotion"

What are your moments like? Have you ever found yourself in that difficult moment, where going forward is as difficult as going backward? Such moments are endless among us; have you been confronted with it yet?

Is it the challenge of losing a dear one when you most needed them, being in a financial crisis that you do not know when it will end or how to come out of it, finding it difficult to actualize a pet dream project, seeing yourself retrogressing instead of progressing, having a dashed hope after huge expectation, you needed help and it is not forthcoming, even from your family members and those you consider your best friends? Maybe your best friends have disappointed you or your brother betrayed you, or you have had failed efforts despite your input in a business or project.

These and others are among life's apt situations that have stuck on many people today as mentioned in Kofi Awoonor's poem, like a chameleon faeces till this moment.

Always challenge every situation that comes your way with a robust mindset, that is the best way to deal with life's real situations. You are adequately made to do exploit with your idea. Always energize your thoughts, strength, attitude and character; and you will see everything fall in pleasant places for your sake.

A novel verse read thus; Do not only and always look at the bigness of your challenges, also always look unto the bigness of your God's given abilities to confront them.

Always look up to the powers in your abilities; there is

nothing you cannot do concerning the person in you and your life situations. You have the answer to all your life's challenges, use them; it's within you.

From a religious scholar comes this profound question, "Do you put a question mark where God has put a period in your life"?

Often in life, circumstances and

events around us often constitute the hindrances of us seeing the abilities inherent in our being.

> "**Always** ***learn to launch yourself with that idea that you have got in you, because it might be the only opportunity that will launch you to the world top places***"

If you look up to your challenging moment as a problem moment, you may not see what the strength in your being is capable of doing in your life.

A friend of mine once told me that he has never had a miserable moment, but challenging times. This is the mindset of positive thinkers, they never see their

challenges as a miserable moment, rather, they always

see them as a defining moment.

Successful people today, are those who were able to turn their challenging moments into opportunity moments. They see life as an adventure, not as an adversity, and set their minds towards conquering it.

In life; challenges, obstacles and difficult situations are the necessary ingredients that spice the journey that is in it.

You should, just like the stories of those successful people that you have read about, devise the means to overcome your "own" challenges as they come your way. The terrain of life that you are passing through, has been passed through by several others. Always know that you are not in it alone.

When things go wrong as they will sometimes do, all you need do is; take a puzzle for a while and ask yourself the questions needed for you to dissect your next lines of action. Such as why am I in this situation and how did I got here, where am I supposed to be, what solution do I need to get out of this situation and be somewhere better, what do I need in order to overcome my present challenges and move on to the next phase of my life, and so on.

"Idea often pass through the tunnel of fire to manifest, so always be prepare to face the heat"

Many people do not know how to apply these lifeline moments and thoughts in their life's situations, and they become stuck in it like the chameleon faeces; that is, when they do not ask the relevant questions toward solving the puzzle that life presents to them in their life's journey.

When Life Gets Tough….

Being vigilant to life issues, seems to be far away from the minds of people out there, most times, most people end up in life, not discovering the person they are made to be till death. Some who even dare, often realize that they have accomplished only a fraction of the idea in their being.

When you ask the right question as John Manson insists, you get the right answer. Madison also notes thus:

"Knowing who you are will help you have focus and grip on your life's present situation and its destination, and as well, it will also help you define your priorities in life. And I add this; understanding the purpose and reasons for every action you take in life ahead of time can prevent problems from arising. Also, tact, thoughtfulness, and responsible

conduct help us to keep away from the miseries of life".

All of Our actions in life are the manifestation and product of our thinking. Instead of us, to always count our successes; we incidentally harbor the pains of the horror experiences of the past.

If you must get to the top of your goals in life, you must also plan your way to the top of your goals in life from the beginning. Even as you go, always have it in you that a journey of thousands of miles is not without its thorns, life in itself, is not laid on a platter of gold. We all have to roll and toil on it like a river on its course.

"Always see hope and expectations in your ideas, I mean positive result at all time"

As R.H. Schuller aptly concluded, I have had a lot of challenging times, but the joy of it all was how I handled them.

W.F Kumuyi penned down his view this way;

"In the journey of life, there are; temptations to overcome, disappointments to handle as well as a burden to contend with. Life is not at all the times, a bed of roses".

"Success can only come to you when you go for it with the determination to succeed in it"

And finally, always know that there is no way we can make it when we allow the lifetime opportunities that lie in the shell of life's challenges to pass us by.

NUGGET #11

We All Can Be A World Changer

"Without The Assistance Of God, I Cannot Succeed, With His Assistance, I Cannot Fail"

Abraham Lincoln

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This nugget; teaches us the fact that we can make the world what we want it to be for us. Drawing from the

wisdom cup of great men and women who were also confronted with a harsh and unfriendly environment, many of whom went ahead and became successful in it whereas several others were consumed in it. If the environment you are living in is not suitable for you to live in, there lies your opportunity to effect the necessary change that may be needed to make it comfortable for you and others to live in it. Always see yourself as, not only the solution but the difference your environment is looking for.

The big names that we hear of today never emerged on the world stage by accident, they emerged in their quest to fill those missing links needed in their environment to make their lives more comfortable. So, as they sort the means to fulfill their heart's desires and needs of making their environment serve them better, they were as well sorting out the means to make others happy too, and by so doing, their actions to help themselves have equally robbed off on the rest of humanity to raise the bar of living.

So, in whatever small unit of any environment of the world that you may find yourself in, start doing something to satisfy yourself so as to enjoy and justify your presence in such an environment. Whatever you do to positively affect your life would definitely affect the rest member of the

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same community that you live in and by this, you would have contributed your idea to the world.

The world is large enough to make everyone and anyone a hero, but without you knowing this fact and being steadfast in identifying those areas that lay the missing link in your environment, you may as well like several others before you end up as those insignificant beings that have passed on the same environment unnoticed, this is possible too. Now, do something to help yourself, because your

happiness will make others happy and the world will be better for it.

We All Can Be A World Changer

A Determined Soul Will Achieve More With A Rusty Wrench Than Others Will Accomplish With All The Tools Of A Mechanic Workshop.

Rupert Hughes

No one was ever born a King, a scholar, or an inventor,

men only live to acquire it through dent of hard work. You would be marveled at the level of development mankind has attained in its efforts to establish its presence in the world they live in today considering your knowledge of the stone age and pre-historic man when everything was at a crude level.

On the whole, mankind has paid its due and still paying it due to the environment they live in, even as humanity still searches for a better and ideal world.

Despite these giant strides that mankind has so far

recorded, there are still vacuums these efforts have equally created in the environment and these vacuums are also needed to be filled. These later developments, therefore, have created in mankind with opportunities that needed to be tapped upon.

These foregoing; shows that in the world we live in today, there still lies an opportunity for everyone to equally write their names in gold in the heart of their fellow compatriots, just as other men before us did, by identifying and

preferring solutions in filling these available vacuums in the world space created by the development efforts of other compatriots. And to achieve these feats lies in one's determination to make it happen.

We All Can Be A World Changer

There is overwhelming evidence that the early world changers were motivated by the desire to change the system for good. These men did not allow the worries of their background nor that of their immediate environments to define their future nor how they confront life's real situations, they were rather resolute in their resolve to

make things, and their contribution to their environments within their abilities worthwhile. They believe that with the ideas inherent in their being, they have the keys to

unmaking impossibilities.

Probably, you may have read or heard of testimonies of those who had made it in life, and probably are still been celebrated to date, and their stories on how they journeyed to fame, and these perhaps have propelled you to also take on life's challenges to enable you to fall unto their shoes. But to achieve the same feat as attained by these celebrated figures you know or heard of today; you too must master the art of unmaking impossibilities.

> ***"You may be shocked that one of the ideas in you, if well exploited and explored, could catapult you to an unexpected destination in life beyond your imagination"***

Without following the rules and principles that govern progress, it will be doubtful if everybody can achieve much in their life's set out goals. Our actions to life's challenges are vividly expressed by the way we take on life issues as they come to us at every moment of our life.

This is a storyline on Abraham Lincoln, a world figure of repute. His journey in life and the lessons derived from it may help us have adequate strategies in taking on life

issues as they come to our way.

Abraham Lincoln is one of American's most celebrated

Presidents of history. The story of his life's journey to stardom is one of the greatest stories that have ever been told and shared by mankind since modern times.

The below excerpt is the story as contained in the biography of Abraham Lincoln, culled from an unknown author, in an article published on the web. This is the story of how Abraham Lincoln lived and conquered his life's challenges with the powers inherent in his ideas to place his footprint on the sand of time.

Excerpts;

Abraham Lincoln is best remembered in history as that American President who fought the American War of Unification,

thereby leading the Americans to accept the equality of men of all races without prejudice to colour, religion, ethnicity, background sex, and belief.

"Your idea can only be seen to be real if you stayed glued to it from its inception to its realization"

For Abraham Lincoln, rising to the exalted seat of the American Presidency was not without its challenges as it was characterized by many trials.

Born to a-peasant parents. His father was a carpenter and his mother a petty trader. His mother died when Abraham was only nine years old. With these prevailing circumstances of his birth, Abraham had a torturous childhood.

With the death of his mother, Abraham Lincoln was raised

by his stepmother. He could not complete his formal education as he was forced to drop out of the standard school because he was not able to pay his school fees.

With the fire of success in him, his ambition propelled him to buy books for personal study, so as to understand life better.

It was said that he profited enough from the home reading that he was to register for a professional exam in law.

Abraham Lincoln passed this exam with the best result, and later became qualified as a lawyer.

Before Abraham Lincoln became a lawyer, he has also passed through many setbacks in his business transactions and dealings with his partners.

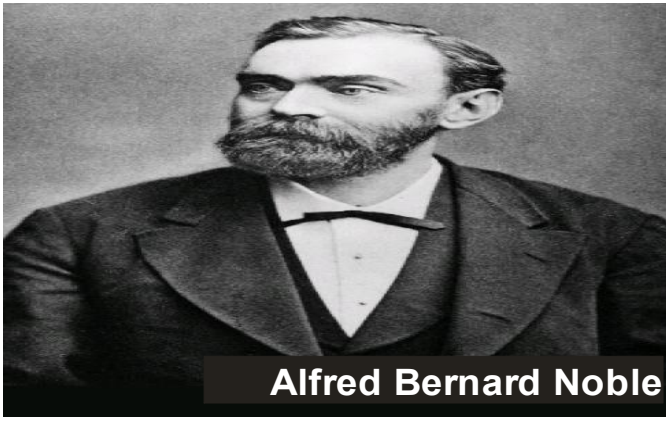
In one of these businesses, his business partner squandered all that Abraham Lincoln had laboured for in years, and this made him bankrupt.

In 1832, to compound his woes, Abraham lost the election to the House of Representatives. As if this is not enough, Abraham also contested and lost the election for the Senate years later.

"Every being is a genius being created in God's image and likeness"

Abraham, finally left politics and business to take up a menial job to survive. First as Clerk, Surveyor, and Post Master. In 1847, Abraham Lincoln again lost his only son, and his father also died a year later.

In the face of all these challenges, Abraham Lincoln remained undaunted and resolute to conquer this life's adversities.



Power Of Idea: Alfred Bernard Noble's Story'

This is how the love for peace propelled Noble to initiate the Noble Peace Prize

Alfred Bernard Noble was the Swedish chemist who invented the atomic bomb. His idea led him to the establishment of a world-leading endowment fund toward the promotion of global peace known as the Noble Prize.

Today, this endowment more than any peace conference have helped to maintain peace among the earth's inhabitant.

The picture above is that of, Alfred Bernard Noble; the man

popularly referred to as "The Merchant Of Death";

His idea of inventing the Atomic Bomb, is still the one of the greatest efforts made by a man toward maintaining world peace, and as well, has kept world peace several years after his death. Such is the level of power in human ideas.

As a resounding speaker, orator, and master crammer that he was known for, Abraham Lincoln used it to his advantage.

Below are some of the memorable and notable quotes of Abraham Lincoln; I believe that readers too will learn from them.

"No matter what you have passed through or passing through, always know that; no trials, difficulties, or hardship can change God's ultimate plan for you".

"For a wind may disperse a seed, but it cannot stop it from sprouting into a big tree.

Another verse reads thus;

"I have always examined the issues of life and death more vigorously with the strength I deploy while examining any issue in the courtroom, and these have made me come to the understanding that divine authority and inspiration of the scripture is absolute certainty".

"One of those ideas that you are squandering can be your life and generation saving opportunity if well explored, exploited and expressed to the world"

Abraham Lincoln was also to discover the disparity in the system of American society with the ever-increasing dehumanization of mankind by the American states with regard to its involvement in the slave business. This resulted in his dogged fight for the emancipation of slaves and slave institutions in the American society.

This slave issue and the struggle for its abolition took the

American state to a bitter Civil War. As a social crusader,

Abraham Lincoln, during this civil war, made his name a household name, as he won the hearts of his countrymen by the role he played in bringing the war to an end.

He explored on his soaring popularity by being a household name in the American state to launch a political platform that he used to launch himself to the American Presidency, and this time, he won.

In his inaugural speech as American President, Abraham Lincoln, called for a greater American unity by urging all Americans to put behind them the events before and during the Civil War, and called on every American to join hands with him in building a just, equitable, principled, egalitarian and a united American society anchored on love for Americans.

He admonished Americans to hold malice to none but charity to all. This admonition struck so hard on the head of the average American that it still lives in the heart of the Americans to date.

"Idea only start manifesting when you start believing in the positivity of the thoughts in you, and start doing something to make it a thing of history"

With these feats and so many other reasons, Abraham Lincoln has often been listed as the greatest president America ever produced since the post-war era.

Abraham Lincoln's Creed." hold malice to none, charity to all" has to date, constituted a charter in the American Bill of Rights.

Scholars have argued that Abraham Lincoln's victory over

life's challenges should not be attributed to his tenacity alone, but also his unflinching faith in the faithfulness of God. It is believed that throughout his trials, Abraham Lincoln never lost faith in his conviction that God had a plan for him.

Historians have posited that Abraham Lincoln's faith comes from his understanding and belief of The Holy Book.

In conclusion, Abraham Lincoln was able to achieve these feats, as a result of his strength of character, moral power, self-determination, belief in his Abilities, ideas inherent in his being, and faith in God. All these made him a figure of note in the history of modern civilization

"There is no way we can make it when we allow the opportunities that lie in the shell of challenges' pass us by"

One important attribute of Abraham Lincoln's story; is in his resolve not to quit in the face of daunting challenges, obstacles, and many failures.

Abraham Lincoln's story is perhaps one out of many stories that abound in our immediate society today. What makes his case unique is how he navigated the tough terrains that always come with life's challenges, and eventually triumphed over them.

I do not doubt the fact that every reader is thrilled by the Abraham Lincoln's life's challenging story; this is because it's probably unheard of, nor to have thought that a man who does not have a formal education will ever in his lifetime be qualified in the United State as a lawyer nor ever seat in the White House as the President of the

United States of America, yet, it is a fact that this feat was achieved several years ago in the same city of the United States of America, by no other person than Abraham Lincoln

This feat is still very much possible today among us. Just like the personality involved in this story, Abraham Lincoln, a man who believed in the power in his ideas; he explored and exploited them to his advantage, and today he is a global figure to be reckoned with.

We all can always adopt a similar attitude to our ideas and challenges that come to us in our life's journey. We all can even achieve more and have a better story to tell in the today's world, especially now that we have at the moment, gadget of technological know-how now available to aid us in our every moment.

All we need; is to look and explore on these technologies; and identify those things that are in us that can be relevant to the world we live in when released.

With the likes of Abraham Lincoln's stories, no excuse should be enough to exempt anyone from living life in full.

"What kills idea is non-manifestation of faith into it, that is, lack of self-confidence and readiness to pursue its realization"

The worst enemy of man is his

negative mindset, that is, that always I can't do it attitude that we always preoccupy our thoughts with. This attitude has held several people down from expressing the ideas that come to their minds.

I have often heard some speakers saying that their

greatest request in their life's journey is to die empty. This request is not out of misplaced priority, but a thought of the reality of human existence; every humans are born to die empty.

In every human shell, there is everything we can think and the ones we can't think about in it; there is the goods, the bad and the ugly. But for you to die empty, you must

strive to express and empty those ideas that are in your own human shell to the world you live in, just as Abraham Lincoln did. He likely gave his all to his environment. He may perhaps be among those human who were born full but died empty.

While emptying the human shell in him into his

environment, Abraham Lincoln through the power of idea inherent in his being, was able to change the state of events within him and around the environment that he found himself in. Abraham Lincoln could be likened to those men who died empty. This is because he gave humanity his all, he emptied the

human shell in his being before he exited the world's stage.

"For idea to come to us, we must open our mind to it"

Like what Abraham Lincoln did in his environment with his idea, we all too, can do same or even better things, and this is by each and everyone of us, discovering whom we are, and putting to use the best of that, that is within us. And to achieve this, we must always endeavour to explore, exploit, and express what is in it of our beings to our environment and the world in general.

As stated earlier, no excuse may be enough for anyone's

failure to live life at its full potential, at least, not now that technologies abound everywhere in our environment to give us the needed support service to birth every inch of our ideas.

"Just like Abraham Lincoln, you too can strive to be among those humans who were born full but died empty"

To go for your idea, know it, that no time is too late to act, but the earlier you set off to pursue it, the better.

NUGGET #12

Don’t Give Up

“Do Not Be Discouraged, It May Be The Last Key In The Bunch That Opens The Door”

Stunner

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The nugget is drawn from the wisdom cup in the interplay of the age-long story of Thomas Edison and his wife. What kills the strength in human beings is the ability of one

surrendering to difficult, challenging, trial times and failed moments.

Always know that nothing in life comes easy, therefore, before you can achieve anything meaningful in life, you must be prepared to go through the ups and downs that have already been factored into it by natural providence.

For example, those who are doing very well in class are only those who took the effort to study the extra time while their colleagues are lazing and idling away.

This discourse is a reminder of the widely told story of the likes of Thomas Edison who defiled the advice and wishes of his wife and achieved his heart's desire after several

attempts but failed efforts.

If Thomas Edison had stopped halfway after the advice from his wife, which was the route that several men like him who found themselves in such situation a had chosen in the time past, he too may have as well ended up like them, men of insignificant values. But his decision not to give up halfway resulted in him to have attained the great feat of life, and today, he has been listed among the great men of his generation.

Our daily lifetime efforts and actions, speak volumes of the

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decisions and choices that we are making and pursuing over those things that come our way. The way we accept and confront it would go a long way to determine how far we can go with it or what we will get out of it.

We must always insist within our inner mind, on nurturing and executing those ideas that have come to us by

ensuring that we follow it to the very end.

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He That Perseveres To The End, Will Be Crowned.

John G oft Fred

"Don't give up". This statement is often associated with the widely told, Thomas Edison’s story. Thomas Edison is the man who invented the electric bulb.

History has it that Thomas Edison had tried for weeks in his drive to invent the electric bulb of his idea, but failed. In one of these efforts, Edison’s wife came to him,

persuading him to give it up, as she worriedly queried, "Upon your efforts for weeks, you still have not achieved anything, why not give up and come off it, the stress is not worth it”.

Thomas Edison remained indifferent and undaunted to his idea as he looked up to his worried wife and politely replied, "Thank you for your concern; though; I have not succeeded in inventing the electric bulb of my idea, but my efforts have equally paid off as it has helped me to expose the several ways through which an electric bulb can never and will never be invented. Interestingly,

Thomas Edison continued; All these steps I have taken, have equally taken me closer to how the electric bulb can also be invented, I am making success anyway, he

concluded.

It was stated that in his further attempt, an electric bulb was made. With this feat, Thomas Edison made history by inventing the electric bulb that you and I are using today. And we all know the importance of the electric bulb to humanity.

This invention earned Thomas Edison a place in the Guinness Book of World Records.

There is also this fascinating story in one of these fascist nations in the Far East countries. During a political transition period, all candidates have filed their intention not only to participate but to contest in the General Election.

As expected with a fascist ideology, the state was a one-party state as only one political party reigned supreme. Other political parties that equally existed were best referred to as mushroom political parties.

With pressure from parents, colleagues, and political stalwarts, candidates were advised not to challenge the candidates of the ruling party.

All these candidates at this time, refused to step down in their ambition to contest in the general election, but went ahead and filed their interest through these mushroom parties for the General Election.

"No excuse may be enough for your failure to live your life at its full potential, at least, not now that technologies abound to give you the needed support services"

When the polity became charged and heated up as a result of obvious political maneuvering, such as rigging by the ruling party, most of these candidates stepped down. But there was one of these candidates that refused to throw in the towel the way his colleagues did, not minding the characterization and dimension the electoral process has taken, this man, refused to relinquish his political ambition.

At a point, there were assassinations and counter-assassinations, kidnappings, mysterious disappearances of people perceived to be political opponents and those opposing the government in power, indiscriminate shooting, intimidation and counter intimidation, and thuggery associated with such a political era, was the order of the day. In the midst of all these, this man refused to give up his ambition the way his colleagues did.

A reprieve came forth-night to the election, as the electoral umpire came out with a shocking electoral guideline. In the broadcast, the electoral boss gave a stem warning of his desire for a free fair and credible election at all levels in order to save the nation from being blacklisted in the affairs of the comity of nations due to the signal and warning from the United Nations who will not only send observers to monitor the elections but also details security operatives to protect all candidates.

"In life, we need to understand the purpose of our being creation in order for us to have an organized plan of action as we confront the issues that come with it"

This pronouncement became the saviour to this young man's ambition that on the day of the election, he was announced elected as the sole opposition member in the House of Representatives.

I don't know how many of you out there who after investing much in your lifetime ambition would want to go back or abandon the efforts and journey so far made halfway due to obstacles,

challenges or intimidation.

If Thomas Edison who invented the electric bulb had listened to the complaints from his wife, history would have eluded him; he would have allowed such a wonderful opportunity to pass him by.

Also, a look at this man in this fascist nation; someday, somehow, his faith could befall any of us, what would be your reaction to it? Would you allow yourself to be

intimidated or cheated out of your idea and ambition by mere challenges, obstacles, or perceived threats?

There could come such a challenging moment that you will one day face, but when this moment comes, as it may and will surely come someday in the life of every man, just like Edison and this young man from this Fascist nation, don't just give it up.

When any idea comes to you, do not look out for the

obstacle that comes with it, but always look out for the opportunities, possibilities and

successes that also exist in it. Never 'you' abandon such a wonderful idea and moment halfway, go on with it until you get to your goals. In every challenge, lies what will make you relevant in your environment, society, and the world at large.

"Failure is success channeled in the wrong direction"

Let's consider this; If Thomas Edison had backed out from following the rhythms of his mind, and obeyed the

persuasion from his wife, he would have today got no

Working With His Idea, Mark Beiderbecke Revolutionized His Environment

This is the co-founder of Facebook, a world-renowned

online platform regarded as one of the most brilliant accomplishments of the mind of this generation. What is amazing and unique about Facebook is that the idea came out of a school dropout.

There is no limit to what is in the human ideas. We, only need to show determination in the search for that idea that lies in our being. This is what Mark Zuckerberg has brought to the world.

Like Mark Zuckerberg, work out your "own" ideas, so as to join the league of leaders who rule their environment and the world.

place in the world scene, you and I wouldn't be talking about him, years after his earthly sojourn.

If this young man from this Fascist nation had listened to the widespread allegation of political maneuvering, he too may never have been in the parliament all through his life.

In a nutshell, never 'you' give up due to fear, obstacles and challenges in the quest and pursuit of your idea. When you sow or establish fear in your idea, you are indirectly sowing a seed of failure in your idea, and

thereby, making your past effort a wasted effort. This is when you begin to see your inabilities and not your possibilities. Nurturing your idea with this mindset can only set you back and diminish the content in it and the expected progress therein.

You will always have a failed effort at achieving your life dreams when you stop running or believing in the content of your idea. In all your ideas, always see hope and expectation, I

> ***"Like Abraham Lincoln, like Winston Churchill, always believes in the potency of ideas that comes to you"***

mean positive results at all times. You have to always go for your idea as it is what will define your future, and guarantee you a place in your world and as well give you that desired fame that you so much crave for.

Your future belongs to you and only you and you alone will live in it. There is no one but you alone that lives in you.

You have got the power in you, why not wax it now? You

have to equally understand that opportunity is not success per se; it only tells us that we are on the right part.

Don't be satisfied with the little you may have achieved in the execution of any idea that comes to you, not until you have exhausted all the thoughts, and views that you have got in a given endeavour. What life needs are courage, determination, and perseverance.

Those who say 'Wait till we get to the bridge' are not chicken-hearted, these are indeed those who believe in their journey, vision, and idea. They believe that the end would always justify the beginning. They believe that without venture, there will be no victory or glory. These are the set of people who never want to be told of an event, they always and also want to be a part and witness of an event.

Don't think that you are not there because you can't see your type there; somebody like you has to be there for others to follow. Aspire to that position where others look up to, for it is in that position, that the world would identify and applaud you.

Stop living your life always in an atmosphere of uncertainty; your challenges will always remain with you, your actions and efforts to get rid of them determines it otherwise. Be courageous to pursue your idea to the letter.

> ***"No matter your situation, you must strive to adventure into life with your idea"***

Those efforts that you have put up in the pursuit of those ideas are not worth abandoning; remember you initiated it in the first place. Though it is true that you indeed

encountered some hiccups, these are normal ingredients in the search for fame and the reality of human existence.

Always know that abandoning an idea could be more

dangerous to you than the zeal to continue with it.

When you choose to abandon perceived enterprising ideas, always watch out as your life and thoughts will live with it as long as you live. But whenever you summon the courage to deal with it decisively, you will always notice that the weight of even failing with it in your heart has been lifted.

I will continue to use every opportunity that comes my way to share my experience of being a poet, an author, and a source after motivational speaker of my time.

When I set out my goals in authoring my first poem and book, I met a lot of brick walls. Among these are; time, as I have little or no time to concentrate on factoring or writing out my thoughts comprehensively at a time.

"Successful people are those who see life as an adventure not adversity, and set their mind in conquering it"

So, I adopted the option of putting down all my thoughts as they come to me one after the other on a sheet of paper, this is what we call, jotting down information. This concept greatly helped me to move on with my idea as I am always on track to achieving my heart's desire of being an author from the pieces of information that I have jotted down in the time past.

I also had the issue of cash crunch, and I needed to also

take care of that through other means. I needed to pursue money, and then come back to dissect my idea of authoring some content.

People around me equally saw my zeal and determination towards authoring a book, as I sometimes share my thoughts with them. The feedback was that of mixed feelings.

So, many of the people were helpful in not only providing me with some helpful advice and resource material; but also provided me with financial support. Let me use this medium to thank once more, those who gave me such a helping hand for my thought to be where it is today.

"Like the boys' scouts motto says; always be prepared"

I also had this group of people who did not see anything good in what I was doing. They believe it is an idle man's job. They wonder what I am pursuing, what I mean, or what I want to achieve. They never imagined that such a thought as contained in my books could ever come from someone like me. I am happy to have disappointed them, as that content that they once thought would never come from me or someone like me is now not only in the world bookshelves, libraries, and bookstores, but has also constituted a subject of debate in several locations of the world, and has also giving me financial support to berth my other ideas.

But, I must also appreciate them as their derogatory views about my idea, propelled me not to ever give up but to find a way of doing it better than they could ever imagine, this I did and the rest is history.

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All these views about my ideas from the various segments of the society formed and shaped my thoughts about my idea of authoring a book.

Going further, throughout the period that I stored the

thought of authoring a book in my heart without doing anything to make it a reality, I have always noticed how restless that I live, as my heart has always lived with it, even on several occasion when I tried to suppress it, it won't die, nor give way for other ideas to come in. But when I summoned the courage to confront it, I saw my life come back to me, as I saw a great burden lifted off my heart. This is my

> ***"The more thoughts we can produce in our being, is the more chances we have in bringing something new, unique and exciting to the world"***

story, and since then going forward, whenever any inspiration comes my way, all I only think about is how to mobilize the tools to ensure that such an idea does not die in me. And at every point and moment, I often take the execution of any of these ideas that come to me to the next level. And by so doing, day by day, I see myself closer to achieving the result of that idea in my mind.

It may interest you to note that this book is a product of several years project, but my consolation is that

irrespective of how long it lasts, it finally saw the light of the day, and today, I am an author.

In the course of writing this book, I saw every reason to halt and stop the idea halfway, but in the midst of these, I never allowed these challenges and setbacks that I had

encountered, as enumerated above and so on dwarf my zeal to achieve results, and today, I am being celebrated for finding my book into the bookshelves of several people across the globe. I have also found my voice in the heart of people through the contents of my idea, wrapped in a book.

If I had given up based on these challenges, obstacles, and people's indifference about my idea, maybe by now, my voice would not have been heard. But because, just like Thomas Edison and this man in this fascist nation, I didn't give up; the end result is that a wonderful idea of this book which is the first and the best of its kind is born.

> ***"Nothing should hold you from venturing into your idea, not even failure"***

As discussed in one of the previous chapters, I do not claim that this book is the best of work ever written by man, yet; it has touched and continued to touch lives, solve problems, and at the same time, projecting my name, and image of that of my family, environment and country in a positive pedestal to the world, and with this positive outlook and views about my work, I feel fulfilled for a job well-done.

Just like every other book written by man, the authors' only and often targets some segments of the society; this is also same about this book. Those whom the contents book appeals to would see it, appreciate it, and take it home. And with these number, the book will go round the world through shaping of people's opinions, views, actions, birthing and berthing ideas…

And for these people who will be touched by the contents of this book, I gladly proclaim you as the real hero of this work.

Don’t Give Up

So, always handle your idea with a view that it is all you have, not only to be significant and relevant in your world but the only means through which people who live in your generation and generation after will know that you too once passed through this world.

The bottom line to these narratives, is that we all have several forms of ideas that live inside of us, but we only nurse the fear of the unknown, and this has greatly held many down from expressing and releasing the contents of their ideas to humanity.

“And for those who would be touched by the contents in this book, I gladly proclaim you as the real hero of this work”

What could have been the most universally acclaimed enterprise always comes knocking in the heart of men, watch out as yours arrive.

Never allow an individual, nor public perception of your idea, to make you not to see the reason of starting nor see the end of it.

We all need to be determined and courageous with our mindset before we set out in the pursuit of any ideas that come to us.

Research has shown that the search for the utopia world is still a scarce commodity because some of the world would have been great men and women abandoned their ideas halfway.

NUGGET #13

Winning Begins With Starting

"If You Don't Start, You Won't Advance And You Won't Win"

Anonymous

#13

Discourse Overview

This is a time-tested axiom that it's only when you start that the thought of finishing can come into play. So, don't think of victory when you have not set out a target for yourself. You can only be expecting victory when you have started and are part of a game.

Therefore, in life, whatever you want or your heart desires

may end up as a-wishful thinking if you don't set up things in motion toward realizing it. As we will see as noted in this nugget, whatever you begin is already half-finished, at least you have broken the jinx of not starting. Those things that you have assembled to perfect your idea can no longer constitute a problem anymore, but have already formed part of your strength in arriving at your goal. You can go ahead to recruit more ideas to support your old efforts and to continue from where you have stopped. This is the benefit of starting; you have already and always

gone ahead of your past efforts.

Remember that at the level of starting, you can no longer go back to your past efforts; rather you are now

preoccupied with generating new ideas so as to move on from your past efforts. This is the baseline of this discourse.

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Before You Act, Listen. Before You React, Think. Before You Quit, Try.

Ernest Hemingway

A songwriter, Ejike Camillus Mbaka in one of his inspirational hit tracks, titled, "What is Written is Written" professed what is written for you and what is written of you thus, "Your going out and coming in have been

blessed, you will be a lender, not a borrower, God has opened for you', doors which no man can close; doors of purity, prosperity, favour, good health, doors of signs and wonders. He went further to conclude that, in all you do, always know that you are God's number one choice and project".

Always know that we are 'all' God's number one. No matter the level, location, or condition that you may see, or find yourself in; never you allow anybody, nor anything to take this God's allotted position in your life; this position was divinely given to man, for you, for me, and for everyone. It is your right too, and you are meant to explore and exploit it.

But despite the above-stated God's remarks about our being, all we want in life has to be sought for. Oh! yes, we just have to go for them. Always remember the scriptural verses, "seek and you shall find, knock and the door will be open."so that we can free our conscience that we have made our informed choices that our heart desires unto God.

Never you believe in the impossibility of anything, that is the bitter lesson that I have learned over time.

The above submission has made me to understand that it is those who don't take chances that do not advance. I have equally got to know that the only impossible things in life are those things I have failed to dive at. You can imagine all I may have missed all these years that I did

not recognize these facts.

These mistakes abound in the lives of many people out there. May these my experiences become your launch-pad so that you will harvest in full what nature has in stock for you.

You may now live your life to the fullest, and not ponder anymore now that you know that your life ought to have been better off than it is today if you had remembered to take a shot at all those chances that came your way in the time past.

Now, who are you waiting for before you start expressing your idea? One thing you should know is that every idea has a validity period. I mean that like every other thing, an idea too, has an expiring date and time. How long do you want to hold on to your idea to live only within the realm of your thoughts?

Those ideas of the 19th century cannot stand the test of the 21st century, as well as the ideas of the 21st century, cannot stand in the centuries to come. So, when ideas come to you as thoughts, always lookout for the best way to harvest the contents therein.

"If you have no idea to market, then you should count yourself among the spectators of the world, those who watch and wonder why things happened the way they do"

Think of these popular maxims... 'No venture, no victory', only those who start always have the opportunity to win'.... you can only taste success when you learn the art of succeeding'....and it goes on and on.

You must give all your thoughts a trial by exploring and exploiting its contents. Whatever that exists in it is all yours

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to express.

Always learn to start by doing something that may look extraordinary in the eyes of the people and your "own" eye too, that is the best way to birth an idea. Starting alone is often and always half-done. When you start, you have recorded a great advancement and improvement in that course you believe in, because the jinx of not starting has been broken.

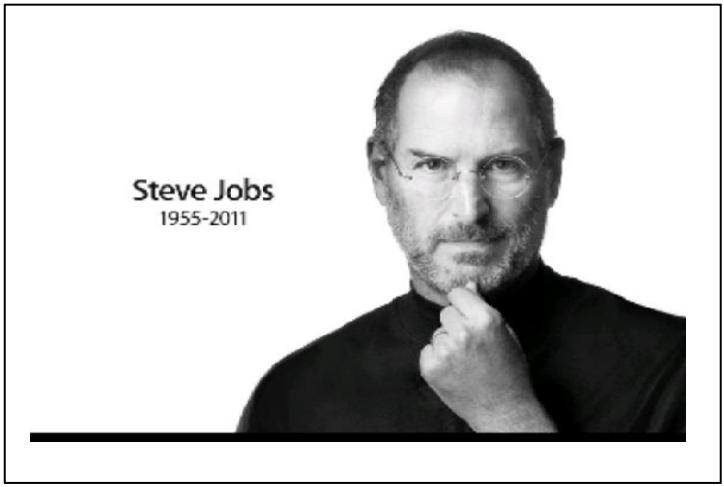
When you start, you have an advantage over your weakness already, for you have already exposed the starting point and solved the headache of not going back to start again.

At the point of starting, and at every other point of your thought, you can then only fine-tune or map out additional strategies on how to continue and how best to get the desired result of your choice.

"Always know that abandoning an idea could be so dangerous than the zeal of continuing with it"

As you continue in this task, and at every progress you make, you will not only get yourself closer to actualizing what is in your thought, but equally, you have succeeded in exposing to the world a new way of doing that which ordinarily would have not been known to humanity if you had not summoned the courage to start, Thomas Edison's experience thought us this much. At every point of your idea realization, you have always and already exposed to humanity the best way to arrive or not to arrive at a result.

Remember the Thomas Edison's answer to his wife's many questions, "I have not succeeded in inventing the electric



Power Of Idea: The Man Steve Job. He Dropped His Idea And Exited

Steve Jobs; He is one of the world's greatest personalities who have left their footage on the world stage. Though he grew up an orphan, yet he became one of the wonders of the world. He had an idea; he explored, exploited, and expressed this idea, this idea exposed the product that lives in him and as well, exposed him to the world scene.

That idea in you can announce you to the world if only you can explore and express it to the world you live in.

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bulb of my idea, but my efforts have equally paid off as it has exposed me and the rest of humanity to the several ways through which the electric bulb can never be invented, and equally, each step that I have taken, takes me closer to how the electric bulb can be invented".

Even the word of God says, "Seek and you shall find".

Seek in this passage means, to initiate, to strive, to desire, to search, to start, etc. Truly, in this world, with the huge advancement in technological breakthroughs and divine assistance, there is really nothing impossible for humanity to achieve, but you have to master the key to unmake impossibility in your "own" circumstance and situation.

"We all needs a determined and courageous mindset before we can set out in the pursuit of any idea that comes to us"

Always know it that nothing in life is easy to come by. It took researchers several years and efforts before the first airplane berthed the air. Before then, there were other inventions of great dimension, but one good thing about every effort lies in the fact that in every stage of any research, more idea comes on board and a new approach is advanced to achieving the desired result.

Remember that these researchers cannot go back to their past efforts as those past efforts have exposed them to a new way of moving on and also, it has taught them why they must not go back to the way that didn't give them result, since they have already knew that going back to the past efforts that didn't give them any result wouldn't help them in their cause. These are the benefits of starting; whenever you

start, something is done already, you are ahead of your past efforts, as well as you have already exposed to yourself and the world what not to do and what to do in the quest for the realization of a particular idea.

Those who are renowned authors; did not script their work overnight. They started somewhere. Maybe, they started by identifying their subject matter, gathering material for the work, sharing their concept with others, writing some things down, and so on, and in no distance time, a book is made in their name and by their efforts.

> ***"Take a count of your past, how many opportunities have you squandered or thrown into the deepest part of your 'own' ocean of ignorance"***

If you want to be ranked among these authors with the ideas that live in you, just like my humble self who ventured into the idea that lives in me, then you too have to start somewhere and somehow, just like the way other successful authors, inventors, and initiators have done.

For instance, if your heart's desire is to author a book in your name, this is possible. But first, you must identify your subject matter, and write down all you know about the subject matter you wish to work on. Never mind if the texts and structures do not conform to each other, once you have put those ideas down, you can then go for a new one.

At this level, remember you no longer source for those ideas that you have already recorded, you can only work at getting to new ones, and by the time you start arranging your texts and structures together, a great book would

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have been written in your own' name and efforts, and your idea of being an author would have been fulfilled.

That piece of an idea that continues to resonate and vibrate in your mind, if finally see the light of the day, may compel the world to come crawling on its knees to your doorsteps, just to have a piece of it. But this would never happen if you fail to start it when the thought comes to your mind.

Always see reasons to believe in your ideas, because they cannot be found elsewhere, except in you where it has been deposited.

"Failure is always a stepping stone to success. All known inventors achieved their success from failed efforts"

A great writer like Chinua Achebe; did not get to his destination of being one of the most successful writers of his generation on a platter of gold. He too met his 'own' Tough times; the good news here, is, that he eventually became a success with the thought that lived in him in the long run.

Chinua Achebe's success story is one too many. His journey to literal stardom is one of the end results of one persisting and sticking to the ideas that resonate and vibrate in the mind to the end. He too faced many challenges in his quest to make his voice heard globally in his chosen vocation.

Today, Chinua Achebe, is one of the biggest names in the world of literature of African descent. He is one of the several literal icons that met stiff opposition, challenges and difficulties before hitting the top of his dream, and became one of the most successful literal gurus of his time.

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Chinua Achebe's journey to literal stardom, like many others before and after him, did not come to him on a platter of gold as earlier mentioned. Chinua Achebe's success in his chosen endeavor; also exposed us to the reality and benefit of one darling at all ideas that come to the mind.

Despite the challenges that confronted him, Chinua Achebe stuck, explored, and exploited the power in his idea to dominate his environment, and the world in general in his area of chosen endeavor.

"When you choose to abandon an enterprising idea, always watch it as your life will live with it as long as you live"

Story had it that before he produced his first work "Things Falls Apart" in 1958, which became his first and eventually his best-selling story, and one of Africa's most celebrated works ever, he was said to have journeyed against all odds to achieve his desired dream of publishing it.

It was told that the publishers he took the manuscript of this book to rejected it on the ground that he, Chinua Achebe, as at that time was a-nobody and a no name in the literal world. But Achebe never allowed such negative views of publishers and people have about him and his work to deter his ambition of being a published author.

Several years after confining the manuscript of this book to his home, he was later to summon the courage to self-publish this book which was his first. This book in discussion, is today, the world-acclaimed and famous "Things Fall Apart".

Today, that work, "Things Fall Apart" is not only one of the

most read books today by students and researchers on African history and literature alike across the world, but has equally constituted as a subject of debate among scholars across the globe, and also a recommended textbook in several schools in both juniors, senior colleges, and higher institutions both home and abroad.

This book, in an equal manner, has not only won him laurels across the globe, but equally adjourned as one of the most celebrated works in the literal category in the

continent of Africa.

It is also ranked in a survey by Times International, New York, as among the first one hundred most-read books in the world today, with its translation to over five hundred major international languages of the world, with over 50 million copies in print and over 20 million copies sold globally.

"Idea comes to man like faith, that is, when you start believing in something that is not there nor near to you, but you have started seeing the profitability"

The book, Things Fall Apart, was once ranked among the list of greatest books; as one of the Greatest Books ever written, by encyclopedia brittanica in 2018. It was also ranked number five, on BBC's 100 Books that Shaped the World. It was also among the 100 books that were featured on the TV series, The Great America Read.

"Things Fall Apart" was later to become Chinua Achebe's most admired work and has given him the widest publicity ever had by any African author of his generation, dead or alive.

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This shared experience of Chinua Achebe should indeed be a motivation to everyone who nurses fear in darling at all ideas that come to the mind.

Chinua Achebe wouldn't have been where he is today if he had done nothing with the idea that resonated and vibrated in his mind. Remember, first, and foremost, he had his script in his hand.

By having his script in his hand, a phase of realizing his idea has been set and achieved. He then moved to the next phase which was looking for a publisher, and this he did not get because he was an unknown name in the literal world. But did he allow the publisher's view about his person and work to discouraged him, or cut his dreams short? We are told that he didn't, as he moved to the third phase; this is self-publishing, and here he achieved his breakthrough.

"What could have been the most universal acclaimed enterprise, always come knocking in the heart of men. Watch out as yours arrives"

Whatever your dreams are, start it earnestly, no matter your situation or condition, you are always ahead of the game whenever you start. You will make it with your ideas if you have a better strategy to confronting them.

Always remember the Chinua Achebe's story, when men failed him, he resolved not to fail himself by his resolve to look inward. He realizes early enough that he can equally make it by darling at his dreams, all by himself by investing in it, all his life's savings, the rest is history.

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You too can make the best out of those ideas that resonate and vibrate in your thought. You can perform the best dance; you can do the best music, compose the best song, script the best film, birth forth the best invention and innovation to humanity and above all, like Chinua Achebe, and others self-publish award-winning book. You can do it better, even better than the ones you know of.

But this thought of yours can only come to the limelight if you believe and stick to that "I can do it" attitude that is in you and inherent in every being.

"You will notice the presence of idea in you when you identify where your mind takes you to too often"

Chinua Achebe used the ideas inherent in his being and today, he has achieved extraordinary fame with the outcome. I am equally using mine, and one of the results is this book in your hand and many other inventions of great dimensions that have followed suit. Others equally in the time past have used theirs and the outcome is the several innovations and inventions that abound everywhere.

Now, when will you not only see the idea in you; but also see how to start expressing it to humanity? There are several things you can do that no one else can do or have done, so the world is missing a whole lot in your being if you fail to release those ideas inherent in you to the rest of us. In the mind, heart and idea of men; lives all that man desires in making the world an el-dorado, or do I put it succinctly; the earthly paradise.

No matter where you are, where you have started, or what has happened to you, you can reach your goals quicker

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than you can ever imagine, and this can only happen when you do not only believe in those ideas that have come knocking on your mind; but start the process of executing them to their logical expression and conclusion

You can be like these great personalities in Chinua Achebe, and several others before and after him who came out from the blues and yet, have an award-winning content in their ideas. This can only become possible if we like these great minds as mentioned in this book, can go the extra mile in seeing the birth of the idea that lies in each and every one of us. That is how to start off, in making the ideas in us come into the limelight.

> ***"Do not only see the obstacles that come with your idea, but look out for the opportunities and possibilities that also exist in it"***

Always strive to give out the best in you because you are created to be the best among your equals with that God's given ideas inherent in the power of ideas living in you.

If your heart's desire is to become a contractor, you start by visiting firms that do contract work. Get their contacts and study their work ethics and their background. Also, share your idea and vision with them. With this, if done, you are a contractor already, maybe as a small contractor as people may call you.

Do not allow any negative thoughts that you may encounter along the line in the realization of your idea to dwarf your zeal or efforts so far recorded in it. Rather be happy that you are already a recognized contractor by your peers, or client as one of their own. With this recognition, you are just near to

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actualizing your dream of being a big contractor and not a small contractor as you are already been known for.

Your entire life dream, may be a pipe dream if you don't go for them. In every passion, is your ideas foretold. Always learn to start with your idea, because those who started often win.

"Always learn to take every idea that comes to you in life with courage"

Always learn to express your idea to the fullest, because an idea not fully expressed is vanity. When you express an idea, you will always notice that a burden has been lifted off you. Idea is always too strong that it always suppresses our being from being alive and active to any other thing in our being. And this will remain so until we lift it out of our being, by expressing it out.

You can as well ignite an idea inside of you by looking forth to solving a problem in your environment. So many people have today become a source personality, not by expressing only the ingenuity in their being, but for discovering the area of the society's needs and working out the means of fulfilling the gap of these needs.

For instance, Chinua Achebe as earlier analyzed, was not a born author. He only leveraged on the dearth of literal works in his environment, and more so, how to export African culture through literal works overseas. Therefore, Achebe's foray into writing, could be seen to be one of those ways of making African culture known to the world, and while trying to fill in the societal gap, he too was

making not only a name, but a fortune for himself. Achebe was not born a writer, because writing did not begin with him nor ended with him. He only worked on the needs of the society and made a success out of it.

The likes of Chinua Achebes are not in this alone. I mean those who saw their dreams and devised every mean to get it realized. We are all in it together, and this is for the single fact that there is always a vacuum created in our environment by natural providence, it behooves on humanity to fill in these gaps; and to fill in these gaps, lies in the ability of man, that is, me and you, to work out the modalities by releasing the potentials in our beings, and these potentials if well expressed and released, contains those products that could help humanity towards solving other problems of the environment, and thereby filling in the gaps created in the environment by natural providence.

"Idea is always too strong that it always suppress our being from been alive and active to any other thing in our being"

The environment is a stimulant to every idea found in it. It is what the environment demands that it gets, and man is the giver through divine providence.

Therefore, in this life's journey, everyone has a space to lean on. No one has and no one will or may ever take your place. These vacuums that are present in our environments also exist in our mind, because we can see and feel it.

These vacuums are yearning to be filled by someone, and this could be you or I or anyone in our midst, and this can and would ultimately attract such a person into a position of global prominence and reckoning.

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In the words of John Mabble; he opined that; "the most tragic waste by humanity is the waste of an idea" and in every idea no matter how bad it may seem to be, brings discovery and solution to the world in the quest of man's search for an egalitarian society.

"You can as well ignite an idea inside of you by looking forth to solving a problem in your environment"

Never mind the hurdles that may confront you in your quest of realizing your idea, always persist in seeing the reason and the cause to pursue your idea; for when you persist, you will always achieve the desired result.

Don't take that shot at life's events if you want to miss all that comes with it. You miss nothing trying to take a shot at all life's events, there could lie your hidden treasures.

Emerson Edward, summed it up this way, "There are many ways to become a failure, but never taking a chance is the most successful.

NUGGET #14

Achievers Are Not Opportunists

"Achievers Are Not Opportunists; They Are Those Who Worked Their Way To Success".

Anonymous.

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Discourse Overview

Nothing ever comes easy in life. All that men have achieved are always products channeled constructively. This nugget takes us to the understanding of ideas inherent in our being, and how we are useful and useless with them.

This nugget is illustrated with a typical scene of one of the local movies, entitled, Abandoned. With Chibuzor, (not real name), the lead actor as our focus.

Chibuzor from a multi-millionaire home; who once threw all that came to him on a platter of gold to the dustbin of ignorance; but alas, when he was confronted with the reality of life, Chibuzor who was once declared abandoned by his multi-millionaire parents became the pride of the home, as he finally realized, though in a painful circumstance that indeed not all that glitters are always gold.

Do you want to know more of this Chibuzor; his journey of neglect, to those things that came his way on a platter of gold. His wild adventure, and how he absorbed the shock of life and wanting to start all over again; and how this story on Chibuzor relate to the life most of us are living till date? The story of Chibuzor takes us to the understanding of those avoidable circumstances that may present

themselves to us as we take on the voyage of life.

This nugget; went further to discourse how we can effectively initiate, generate, mobilize, and execute an idea; and to know when to continue with an idea and when best to jettison it.

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"No One But I Should Be Blamed For My Fall, I Have Been My Own Greatest Enemy, The Cause Of My Disastrous Fate"

Napoleon Bonaparte

Every being is created for a purpose, and every being is equally created to interpret the script of his being creation. No one should think of a shortcut in achieving the real purpose of human creation. Anyone who craves this route, always has him or herself to blame.

In life, we need to understand the purpose of our being creation for us to have an organized plan of action, as we confront the issues of life. Failure to follow this tenet of life, often leads us to life's dire consequences.

I shall demonstrate this viewpoint above copiously with this graphic story as adapted from what we today call a-home or a nollywood movie.

Taking you down memory lane, there is this very heart-chilling and pathetic but lesson-filled movie, titled;

"Abandoned" that I have watched over time. Living up to its title, "Abandoned",(not real title) is a film which when I remember, I feel pity for this generation of youths for abandoning themselves to cheap blackmail of life entreaties, and not embracing the course of reality and nature's open doors of opportunities.

Not to bore you with the happenstance, especially as it affects the chief protagonist, Chibuzor, (not real name). But one of the remarkable lessons learnt in this movie; is that anyone can adapt to change if and when they want to do so

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Born by a very wealthy and influential parent, Chibuzor failed to utilize the opportunities that beckoned on him by his birth. At the age of twenty-five, Chibuzor does nothing but smoke, drink, gamble, womanize, and night-clubbing. To sum it up, Chibuzor's attitude reminds one of the biblical prodigal son, a social miscreant of the highest order. In the midst of all these, Chibuzor was declared "abandoned" by his parents.

Being declared abandoned did not discourage him, (Chibuzor) from his old ways of life, rather it made him wild, causing havoc to his environment. But when confronted with the severe pressure of life, alas, Chibuzor, submitted himself to the superior weapon of the reality of life, and he became meticulous in search of it.

In this same movie, we saw the once over-pampered, arrogant, and proud Chibuzor, from a multi-millionaire estate parent, who has severally thrown all the opportunities that came knocking at his doorsteps to the deepest part of the ocean of ignorance on his knees as a servant to his parents and he wished to be treated so.

"Start now believing and expressing the power in your idea because they are real and have the opportunity of been counted among the great men in your environment"

As a servant to his parents, Chibuzor lost all the privileges and rights that hitherto accrued to him as a son and heir apparent to his parent's multi-millionaire estate wealth. To sum up the story, Chibuzor migrated from his home and sought as a refugee in a far country where his parents would not notice his presence.

At last, even without the knowledge and support from his multi-millionaire estate parents, Chibuzor made it.

On arrival at home, Chibuzor received a triumphant welcome. Yes, he won back that love that once eluded him in his family and became a beautiful pride to be proud of once again by his family. He had all the rights and privileges stripped from him, restored to him by his parents.

Like every misused opportunity, Chibuzor had a new start. He had learned his lesson in a bitter way. He has lately realized as Helen Keller puts it "The irony of life is not that it ends so soon, but that we wait too long to begin it.

Chibuzor's story; fell aptly into the Hellen Keller's maxim, he waited too long to begin living his life.

Chibuzor's story; is a pointer that there is no way we can steal or pocket wholesome experiences. Jokers are not for the lily-livered but the bold and courageous, those who confront life challenges with absolute reality. Chibuzor wanted to play the Joker, he wanted to steal and pocket a wholesome experience. He wanted to pocket the realities of life, he believed that the multi-millionaire estate of his parents would take him to his much-anticipated proverbial paradise without confronting life issues, but he was dead wrong as he was soon to discover.

"Stop seeing any idea as nothing, rather, always look out in that direction where it can serve the best of humanity"

You cannot be an achiever without passing the true test of life. To be an achiever today, we must refuse to live the life of an opportunist, a chicken trap that has consumed the entire lives

of many.

So many of us today; still suffer the same agony that befell Chibuzor inside of us to date. Take a count of your past, how many opportunities have you squandered ignorantly or threw into the deepest part of your "own" ocean of ignorant?

You may not be a prodigal son to any multi-millionaire estate parents, just like Chibuzor. Yet you may be prodigal to your ideas. Yes, those ideas in you are your "own" multi-millionaire estate; it is everyone's multi-millionaire estate. You better start investing in it; and stop taking it with reckless abandon, absolute impunity.

You too may be wasting or have wasted the whole of what is in you, your "own" very step to greatness, when you become prodigal to your ideas. One of those ideas you are squandering or have squandered, can be your life and your generation saving or missed opportunity if well explored and exploited. We become prodigal to an idea when we allow the pressure in it to overrun our reasoning and emotion.

"No idea is perfect or static; every idea is work In progress"

To conclude this text, let's view the steps to be taken in generating, sustaining, and expressing an idea.

Step 1: Initiation Phase.

An idea does not come from the blues, but a well-laid action plan; you must think it, you must work it. It is what you produce inside you. The more thoughts we can

produce in our being; the more chances we have to bring something more exciting into the world. Therefore, cultivate and develop it and measure if it is worth your life goals.

An Idea always comes to the brain like faith; that is when one starts believing in something that is not there nor near to you but you have started seeing the profitability that lives and lies in it.

With these characteristics in your thoughts, you have to start identifying yourself with them and start cultivating the desire to express what is in them. You will notice the presence of ideas in you when you identify where your mind takes you to' too often.

Again, our environment is a great stimulant to an idea generation. It always ignites in one's being that zeal to make up with an identified missing link in the environment. This is what we often call, "problem solving". That is when your environment or a given event or action demands that you not only asking question, but also look out for the way of finding solution to this question. When you have such thinking hibernating in your mind, always know it that this may be an idea in search of expression.

"I don't know how many of you out there whom after investing much in their ideas, would want to go back or abandon it half way"

Again what has been your dream? Where does your mind take you to' too often? Maybe you have made efforts trying to suppress it, yet it keeps lingering on and on like a nightmare. When something goes on in your mind this way, you have to consider its profitability. This may be an

idea in search of its manifestation.

Idea is when you start believing through the mirror of the reality of your mind. Like, when you have the strong will of I can do it attitude mentality developed in your inner being. For example, I can construct that ladder, what of changing the shape to a better one, at least making it more beautiful and unique than its present look. Or, how about becoming a-this and a-that, all these filters into your thought.

When you have your mind projection come in tune this way, you must create an environment for its full expression, by cultivating and measuring the eventual outcome. Idea realization is always a long-term investment that we must follow jealously to accomplish.

> ***"If the beggars you see around you could adopt their winning formula and are succeeding with it, then you can do much more with that bundle of talent in you"***

Just as we live in an environment, there are so much that we require to make ourselves comfortable in it. An idea is when your mind starts taking you and reminding you of a specific area of your environmental needs or how best to modify an existing concept.

At this stage, you will also feel challenged by your thoughts and expectations. You will start seeing the beautify of that your' mind projection and how to go about expressing it to your environment

Step 2: Mobilization Phase.

Always remember that when anything comes to your

thought, it is often an idea in search of manifestation. You have to create a conducive place for its full manifestation. Most people do not know that the way we mobilize for any other workforce, that is how we mobilize for our ideas too.

Every idea needs an environment that must be given a conducive atmosphere for its operation. You need to give your idea the teeth to bite by giving it an enabling

environment for its successful execution.

You might conceive and identify an idea, yet, if you do not have the mobilization will, that idea may never be born, and even if it is born, it may not be given its full expression. It is the mobilization-will that will determine how far you will go with such an idea in you.

> ***"Always see failure as an ally, not an enemy since it is meant to show you the route you should never take to accomplish an idea"***

If you want to construct a ladder of your mind, it should not end by mere desire or wish, you must swing into action to get it done by assembling the metals and other needed tools that may be important to you in getting the ladder of your idea constructed.

Also, if you desire to become a Medical Doctor, you should start by visiting medical doctors and hospital environments or medical facilities. There may be some useful information you may obtain from these areas that may help you to sharpen or put your idea on course. No mind is an island; we learn better when we research on other people and institutional successes. This is also applicable to other

ventures and professions. You must ask questions and lay

your thoughts on a-similar or established cases.

In every idea, you also have to check the cost of your idea before venturing into it, as against your financial background and expected income flow. You must always arm yourself with these needed facts before you venture into actualizing any idea that comes to your thought.

> *"Idea is so powerful, to the extent that the existence of humanity is at risk without it"*

You must also envisage the obvious obstacle that lies in the idea of your mind. The mobilization stage is such a moment where you make up your mind about the ideas in your thoughts. To go to work or not to go to work, at this level, you must arm yourself with the needed tools as to move on or not to move on with it.

Step 3: Execution Phase

This is the phase where an idea is born. At this level, you start manifesting and expressing your ideas. Your idea is being put to test, to test its true test of saltiness. You can initiate and mobilize for a very wonderful idea, but what did you do with it? Without the will to execute your idea, it may be stillborn, and will not be given full expression.

When your idea comes and you refuse to express it to its logical conclusion, then you are prodigal to that idea.

All ideas are worth considering; your mind projection must be dealt with affirmatively.

If you want to construct a ladder of your idea, never allow it to be a-wishful thinking, go to work to get it done. At

the execution phase, you start constructing that idea in your mind.

Always take up that idea as if your whole life depends on it, invest all you can and all you have got to get the desired result, for in it lies the true value of your product and your person being expressed.

Step 4. Appraisal Phase

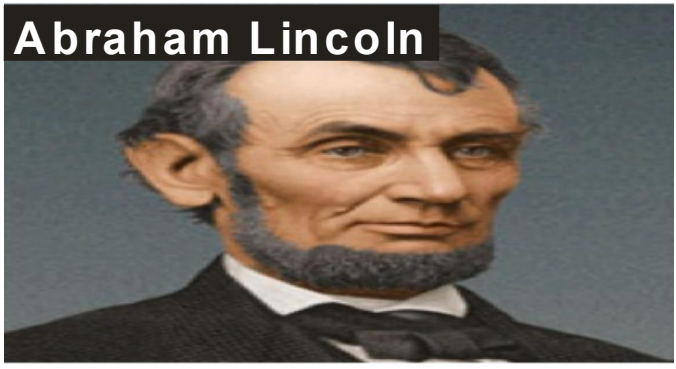
This is the last stage of idea drive; it's called the stock-taking phase. At this phase, you take stock of your efforts so far. Your investment, the reality of your expectations, and the eventual outcome.

At this phase, you critically look at your venture. It is the time you count all the choices you have made in it, I mean, your successes, your failures, your obstacles, and your challenges. You appraise your efforts and compare them with the results you have achieved so far. This is the last phase, yet the most critical and challenging in idea development and realization.

"No idea is better than the other, as every idea is meant to serve a specific purpose"

At this stage, you also need to critically analyze the achieved results, to determine if it had met the aspiration of your mind to merit you living with it, or does it need a reformation, an update, or total disbandment? At this phase, you also consider other options that may be needed to modify and shape your idea to be better than as is, by seeking public views and opinion

Always have it at the back of your mind or on the quest to



Power Of Idea: Abraham Lincoln Conquered His Challenges With The Power Of Idea.

This is the portrait of the man, Abraham Lincoln. He is one of the world's most celebrated statesmen that ever lived. He could best be described as a child born without the proverbial golden spoon in his mouth. He was raised as an orphan. Had no opportunity of attending former education. He was later to embark on self-studies. Passed his professional exams, and became a reputable lawyer. He had business upheavals, lost several elections to the House of Representatives, and in the Senate, but eventually got elected as the 16th President of the United States of America.

Abraham Lincoln achieved this feat with fewer opportunities available in his time.

With the present technological know-how in today's world, you and I can surpass this feat, and this can be made possible if we can explore the power of ideas inherent in our and every being.

realize your idea that there is no idea that is without it's in-built problem; it is only when the achievement recorded in any idea is such enormous, that it should merit its continued support and existence.

"We become prodigal to an idea when we allows the pressure in it to overrun our reasoning and emotion"

In conclusion, every known idea to mankind didn't fall from the sky, rather, man in his concerted efforts was able to apply the talent and ingenuity in his being to create a conducive environment for himself and others, and this is through the exploring, harnessing, and expressing of the idea inherent in his being.

Epilogue

When my epitaph will be written, it should be boldly stated thus;

Here lies one of the men who to the glory of God, gave his best to his generation.

How and what do you want to be remembered?

The more you seek relevance in life, the closer you are to the answer.

If you fail to learn from the mistakes of others, your mistake will be the others' teacher.

Let those who have ears, let them hear.

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