

# You Are the Miracle!

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What I've got to say might not have sex appeal,  
but you can take this to the bank ... every word is real.

Real ...

like when you wake up one day and realize your plans  
for winning the lottery,  
inheriting money from Uncle Fred,  
or being a guest star on Survivor ...  
have all come undone.

Real ...

like looking in the mirror and contemplating where you've been  
and who you've become.

Consider this ...

if the state of your world is a direct reflection of your state of mind,  
then perhaps the time is now  
to take on the real world and start exceeding expectations  
instead of killing time

**You weren't born a winner, or a loser, you were born a chooser!**  
**And it's your God given right to decide**  
**if you're going to take the path of character or the path of compromise?**  
**Don't be waiting around expecting a miracle, BE the miracle!**

And then decide ...

will you do it all for love?  
Or will you do it for the money?

Will you take it to the edge and go the distance,  
or slide on down the path of least resistance?  
Will you drop out, cop out, and make excuses?  
Will you come alive? Will you thrive?  
Will you live large and take charge?  
Will you be a force for good, a force for God,  
or simply a force to be reckoned with?  
Will you be fearless, street-smart, and self start?

And then, when good fortune arrives,

will you give more than you take?  
When opportunity knocks,  
will you step out on faith,  
or give in to the voice of fear and put on the brakes?  
When shadows fall and all is said and done,  
who will you become?  
Will you risk it all and lay it on the line?  
If you stumble and fall,  
will you get back up and stand tall?

Will you find the courage to fight or the will to persevere?  
Will you have honor and faith and learn from your mistakes?  
Will you bleed? Will you lead?  
Will you lie? Will you aim high?  
Will you evolve? Will you be real?  
Will you step up and take charge?

Will you be cool? Will you be kind?  
Will you learn? Will you burn?  
Will you keep the faith when the cold wind blows?

So listen up ...  
the more you open up, the more you learn,  
the more you learn, the stronger you become,  
the stronger you become, the higher you will fly!  
And it's not about talent, how tough or cool you are,  
it's about how hard you try.

Yet there's hostile takeovers, tactical asset allocations,  
performance attribution analysis, accelerated depreciation,  
managerial self-interest, mass customizations ...  
it's like a world gone mad!  
It's enough to give personal achievement a bad reputation.

Now I know why they say, it's never the body that fails first,  
it's always the mind.  
But none-the-less, if you want your own success  
there's no better way than exceeding expectations...  
one day at a time.

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Don't be afraid ...

to take that first step,

to go the extra mile,

to turn the other cheek.

Don't be afraid to lead

even in the face of uncertainty.

Don't be afraid to make a difference with your humanity.

**You were not born a winner, or a loser, you were born a chooser!**

**So you see,**

**there's no need to be expecting some miracle,**

**YOU are the miracle!**