

Thoughts on How to Make Tough Decisions

RIGHT WAY VERSUS YOUR WAY

It is more important to find the right way versus having it your way.

PREPARED WHEN THE TIME COMES

Preparation is key, as it puts you in a position to take strong action when needed.

CONQUER THE HARD WITH THE SOFT

Our hard problems we face in life are always solved by using our soft skills.

CHALLENGES YOU IMAGINATION

With a big problem, it challenges your imagination to find a great solution.

DECISIONS SHORT OF CERTAINTY Be willing to take risks and make decisions that will make your dreams come true.

DON'T REPLAY YOUR LIMITATIONS

Eliminate "I can't do that" / "I'm not good at that" and be amazed at what you do.

CONVERSATION THAT HASN'T HAPPENED

To resolve any issue, it is often the conversation that hasn't happened is key.

DO SOMETHING UNCOMFORTABLE

To achieve what you want always requires doing something uncomfortable.

CREATES THE ENERGY FOR THE HOW

If you create a strong WHY, you can take on any HOW.

NEVER A GOOD EXCUSE

Taking responsibility for your actions or non-actions is always the right path.

JUDGMENT REQUIRES IMAGINATION

We make better decisions when we can imagine the results and consequences.

POISE UNDER PRESSURE

People who keep their perspective in tough times will make better decisions.

SHUTTING OUT THE IRRELEVANT

The ability to focus is all about clearing the mind of what's not needed.

CONSEQUENCES OF DECISIONS

The best leaders always think through the consequences of their decisions first.

LIFE BEYOND THE CHALLENGE

Focus on life beyond the challenge. It powers you through the challenge faster.



OUR PROBLEMS SHAPE OUR CHARACTER

Our problems, more than our successes, shape our character.

SOLUTION STARTS WITH ME

We make faster progress to a solution when we put our best efforts in first.

WITHOUT THE WHY IT WILL NOT FLY

When we have powerful enough reasons, we take the necessary action.

NEED IT OR NOT

Move beyond wish to NEED TO and you get the power to overcome any obstacle.

EMBRACE WHAT YOU TRY TO ESCAPE

Breakthroughs always involve us taking action on what we have been avoiding.

POWER IN YOUR FIRST THOUGHT

What we think of first (enthusiasm or fear), either drives us to act or to freeze.

CONFUSION PRECEDES CLARITY

You need to acknowledge that you are confused to feel the drive to get clear.

SUCCESS THAT MATTERS TO YOU

The only success that matters is the one YOU want (not your parent's or friend's).

BIGGER THAN THE OBSTACLES

Be strong and have the courage to be bigger than the obstacles in your way.

PAIN AND PRIDE

There's pain in reaching a tough goal. Pain is temporary, but pride lasts forever.

RIGHT OR WRONG OFF THE TABLE

Get faster solutions to problems by leaving right and wrong off the table.

WHY POWERS WAY

When the why is strong, it often lights a path to the best way to deliver on it.

KEEP ON CHANGING

Be willing to constantly take yourself out of your comfort zone...to change.

BEYOND YOUR OWN BIAS

Seek the input from others so that you can evaluate beyond your own bias.

COMFORTABLE BEING UNCOMFORTABLE

You never grow by doing the same things. Get comfortable being uncomfortable!



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NEW IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION

It's about doing something new that's taking you closer to your goal.

DECISIONS AND ACTIONS FUEL DREAMS

Get what you want faster by aligning your decisions and actions to your dreams.

NEVER SURRENDER POWER OF CHOICE

The successful have the courage to make the decisions that drive their life.

CLARITY ABOUT THE CHOICES

People don't make decisions until they invest the time to get clear on the choices.

PREPARED TO DECIDE

Anticipate the key decisions and ensure you are ready to decide.

WRITE IT TO SIMPLIFY IT

It often takes writing our thoughts/ideas down in order to simplify the solution.

ASK FOR THAT ADVICE NOW

You rarely hear people say..."I asked for that advice far too soon!"

ACT ON NEW IDEAS QUICKLY

Get in the habit of taking decisions and action right away on your new ideas.

BE ALWAYS PRESENT

With every problem you have...you are always there? Solutions start with you.

ACT AND ADJUST

The successful don't wait for perfection, but take action and adjust along the way.

WITH THE FUTURE IN MIND

Our best decisions in life are made with the future in mind.

SHORTEN THE QUESTION

Have you noticed that the shorter the question...the more it makes you think?

WHY UNCOVERS PROBLEMS TO SOLVE

A fast way to a good solution is uncovering the real problem...by asking WHY.

PASSION TO BRING VISION TO REALITY

A bold vision meets big problems, and it takes passion to drive the solutions.

BLESSING IN DISGUISE

Our biggest problems drive us to create solutions that enable large steps forward.



WON'T BE ALONE

Build strong relationships and you are never alone with problems you face.

IT'S REALLY AN OBSTACLE RACE

A successful business solves problems (often big ones) in pursuit of its goals.

MAKE DECISIONS EARLY

To accomplish more, it's important to make decisions early and not procrastinate.

ELIMINATE "IF ONLY"

Eliminate "If Only" from your vocabulary and "Act in the Present."

RESPOND

A good definition of responsibility is the ability to respond (take ownership).

NOTHING IS STOPPING YOU, BUT YOU

Take 100% responsibility for your thoughts/feelings, and nothing can stop you.

FEEL THAT IT HAS TO HAPPEN

Feel it has to happen, and you get the persistence to work through any problem.