

People who are crazy enough to think they can change the world, are the ones who do.





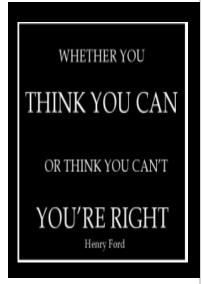
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Failure.....and Dirty Windows

Failure. Failure is the state or condition of not meeting a desirable or intended objective, and may be viewed as the opposite of success. The criteria for failure depends on context, and may be relative to a belief system. One might consider a failure of what another person considers a success.

It's what we think... about others! The most important thing, is how do we think of ourselves? Or pride that makes us look down on others or see them as failures! The challenge is "How to make your life count."

I've spent my adult life in pursuing this challenge, and I hope it can help you!

I didn't have an origin that others would want. My mother didn't want me -and told me daily - and she farmed me out until I was grown enough to cook and babysit for her 2 yr old.. I lived with her and a stepdad, escaping his abuse (he was prison). I ran away the week I turned 17. I ran away to Grandma's graduated there. And teachers there signed me to go to college, but I wanted big money, first. I attended it later on...

I went back to the city I fled and married at 19 a man that wanted to marry me-I'm glad I did-It was marrying up!

My mother worked nites in a factory, never around except to say she didn't *ever* want me! I didn't have guidance in my life. EXCEPT....

I escaped abuse at home, visiting libraries

and fruebds, where my mind grew.... It is a peril contemporary parents want to be their children's 'friends', not giving needed guidance or boundaries.

I viewed my family as failures (Then!). They had small views of themselves. I didn't like the negative they embraced.

I wanted *more...*

When I first married, I was drawn to read a book a week - for 15 years.

My husband and I became involved with men & women's business groups. It afforded us to travel nationally. We later spoke to those groups; children were teens then.

We raised & showed **Arabian** horses. We had dogs, cats, and chickens that laid blue eggs!We were *gentlemen farmers*-not too far from Kroger, church and schools.

We had best friends that were top legislators in the state. |They spoke to huge groups, traveling in their private place and we accompanied them.

We then we served as advisors to a Youth group during which our family met with WWII hero Corrie ten Boom, over a ten day period. We held a 2-week premiere of her movie *The Hiding Place*.

Much later... I started a business in Atlanta for almost 20 years, publishing directories for hotels in 8 states, living in Fla. I was a business woman, even doing the Biltmore!

I've lived on a mystical houseboat on a great dock Astonishing fireworks!

Then I discovered my mom was dying, so I spent 3-4 weeks with her. I worked continually, cleaning the rose beds, cleaning the gutters. I caulked and made her bath <u>like new</u>, painting the shed... <u>In light of that all She</u> **LEFT everything to her son!**, House 2 cars, stocks, life ins.

With all her wealth, she chose not to leave anything to my own children. That did hurt!

The year of 2018. I spent a year building a business. Then when I tried to buy licenses, The *pandemic* & lockand *lockdown* startedit was too much for me

This is where I first noticed dirty windows. My mom had tried to notify a woman who cleaned her windows! With all my work, I never wanted to clean those windows!

But I did know this! You can't see through dirty windows...views are hazey & unclear!

This was the story of my mother's life. She couldn't see the worth of **me**. She couldn't see worth of magnificence enjoyed. *I did!* She didn't live in any realm of greatness. Just her own life. She rejected new ideas as a threat to her own **safe place.** Lifelong.

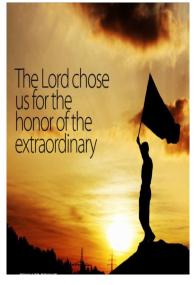
Do you have dirty windows clouding up your mind? Keeping you from seeing ideas, or aspiring to goals or relationships in life?

"If you don't have winners in your life, go to the library! There are 100's there." Ziglar

It's called Choices!

I could be bitter. But I *choose* not to be. I've had an exciting life..You *Can* triumph-by choices!

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References: 1.) "For God so Loved the world that He gave His only son, so that we would notperish.Jn3:16

If you use a daily devotional – one scripture a day – God promises to write that scripture on your heart! That is 365 scriptures a year. A 1000 scriptures is just 3 years! Be diligent in this... God will reward you. Matt 5:12: Heb 11:6

Forgiveness vs Lesser Ones

Bitterness is unforgiveness gone to seed. It defiles others in your life due to what you spew from your mouth...!

But..... How do you determine to make choices in this complex world? You can't without a **base of values.**

Well, I can tell you how I learned it But it wasn't at the libraries...! It was at a maverick Presbyterian Church where our family learned the Bible. We were novices among truly mentors of the faith. That church was home to a Bible Study Fellowship - several hundred women who gathered weekly to study the Bible.... as if it were *true*.

I could not believe women were so serious about it. I could not believe they even did *homework* daily! Rich and poor, who didn't dress like nuns or monks. Just ordinary women.

I was in that study (it is nationwide) for 5 years. We had monthly luncheons at someone's house. The fellowship and **study** made me a leader. Then, I joined another group that met monthly for luncheons with guest speakers and served 5 years on their board. We had 100 participants monthly, and I learned the 'one accord' on that board.

I devoured scripture books by Dr. Frances Schaeffer, a top intellectual of the 20th Century-I saw him at many conferences God made me whole. Prayer focuses us & unites our heart...

Are YOU hungry for truth? You must be in this political and medical world! It is controlled by demons and you are the victim if you don't believe this...

I have lived an extraordinary life, and other things are not included here! YOU can *live* an extraordinary life too because God strengthens you, if & when you surrender your life to Jesus. I've a neighbor who sits in a wheelchair

but she has discovered other people and lives for them. People are what makes life important to her.

God takes Evil and spells it backward- LIVE. He proves His love for us by sending Jesus to die so we would not have to die for our sins. 1

You have read this story of a pitiful little child who was rejected by her own mother. But God saw it all and He toughened me and raised me to live an extraordinary life!

So you say 'Why don't you write a book?' I did - Four books and *one* is on Amazon! I've never been sick much. I retired 15 years ago and I am 76 years old. I had open heart surgery 2 years ago, and was in the hospital care this year for 34 days, in congestive heart failure, pneumonia, sepsis, and losing the use of my legsbut Drs restored them! God saved me from it <u>all</u>. So I say 'The best is yet to come!' He saved something...and

His eye is on you!

"Attitude is a choice. Happiness is a choice. Optimism is a choice. Kindness is a choice. Giving is a choice. Respect is a choice. Whatever choice you make makes you. Choose wisely."

-- Roy T. Bennett



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Dear Agatha - It's Your Time to Shine

Dear Agatha: I am an ordinary woman who was hardly raised by parents alcohol & drugs too. They lived for the weekends to party. They had no other goals. But I have goals -I want to make something of my self. Can you tell me how I can do that ...? Abby. Dear Abby: Yes! It's the same way I did it. We have similar back grounds, Dear One...

discovered the truth in the Bible and it enriched my life. This passage changed my life! "But he who is noble plans noble

things & on noble things he stands." Isaiah. 32:8 I found it early in my life, almost 50 years ago.

What is noble...? It is: "Having or showing fine personal qualities; high moral principles, ideals."

Where do you get them from? I got them from the holy scriptures. His word was life to me.... Truth, honesty. Integrity, virtue & honor. Respect. Parents should teach 'em

I studied Greek & I learned what definite articles are. NT Greek doesn't use articles 'A & the' unless they're definite.

Jesus said "I am the way, **the** truth and **the** life..." Was He a liar?

He further said: "No man comes to the Father except thru Me."

Stop the debate in your mind about other ways to God. NONE **EXIST!** Accept His word as a love letter to YOU! You will shine Light in the world

Be a Light...to your friends & family. It is your choice, today! Be an example to them as well...help rid them of the morbid fear and dread *via* your own faith working before them! God working miracles for you - and them too...He DOES!

And Yes! I am living my Dream now!