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LAY YOUR PROBLEMS ASIDE CONTEMPLATE THE WAY OF ACCOMPLISHMENT

THE TRUTH IS MIGHTY: -

You must have a consciousness appropriate to the thing you desire, —and then "it becomes." This simply means you must think of it as something normal to you, — not something above and beyond you.

Accepting a thing as normal to you, you act as though it were a fact and proceed accordingly. This is a simplification of the mystical statement of praying believing that you have the thing prayed for.

Thomas Dreier, in The Vagabond, says, "You cannot have too great faith. You cannot believe too much. All the believing you can possibly do cannot encircle more than a fragment of the truth. The universe is filled with more wonders than we can imagine. There is more good in existence than we are able to use. It is our personal limitations, not the limitations of the supply, that keep us in poverty."

It is just so --- your beliefs limit you to the use of just the amount of power which you think you possess. You and the universe are full of unrecognized and unutilized energies.

So far as possible, you should discover as many of these powers as possible and then consecrate all of your discovered powers to worthwhile tasks, and by giving and serving, help to safe-guard civilization and point the way to a better life.

Who would dare to set the limit of the power for good of an Order with membership throughout the world, composed of those who have faithfully studied the universal laws, and by their daily living, demonstrate the effectiveness thereof! The great historians all agree the ancient Essenes were "doers." We must be no less.

By the enlargement of your consciousness you travel the road of accomplishment. Instruction Twenty-six is helpful in pointing the open highway - May we be Truth Conscious.

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INSTRUCTION NO. 26 Assuring to the Accepted and Acceptable HEALTH, HAPPINESS AND SUCCESS

SELF PURIFIED, HEALTH WILL BE YOURS; FAITH PROTECTED, SUCCESS WILL BE YOURS: SELF GOVERNED, POWER WILL BE YOURS, AND ALL THAT YOU DO WILL PROSPER, FOR CEASING TO BE A DISJOINTED UNIT, SELF ENSLAVED, YOU WILL BE IN HARMONY WITH THE UNIVERSAL, WHICH EVER WORKS FOR PERFECTION. - - YOU CAN BECOME A MASTER-BUILDER IN THE TEMPLE OF DESTINY.

#### ASSUMING, ASSERTING AND ASCENDING

"Wake Up and Live" is the title of a very fascinating book by Dorothy Brande. The whole substance of the book can be condensed into six words, "Act as though failure were impossible" - as a way to accomplishment. This became one of the "best sellers" because it so interestingly told of innumerable instances how it worked, in practical every day affairs, in the lives of just every day people. It will work for all who dare to try it.

Let us analyze it and see how it fits in with what you have learned in the course of these instructions. Let us see if the elements of our mental formulas are implied or enveloped in this formula for attainment.

First comes action, doing something about it, which boils down to "paying the price" or observing the law of balanced compensation.

Of course, there is presupposed that the actor - doing - has an objective which is the result of vision, plan, and purpose - - a vital element. Next - "acting as though failure were impossible" - This is faith, - - - confidence in the outcome, true faith in action - - doubt, hesitancy and suspense eliminated - an element without which there is no accomplishment.

Again note - "act" - keep on acting. There is persistent determination in motion - - Recognize another element?

The rule is laid down as a course of action for attainment, and naturally it is only for those who desire to do or be. The prerequisite therefore is desire, wanting - - and such wanting expanded by sincerity - the desire fanned to flame by earnestness, and action resulting.

In reality therefore, that plat of a highway to success, like all true guides, is in agreement in essence. The question is just which form of statement of the eternal truth reaches your inner consciousness with impact or force enough to arouse you from just a conscious mental grasp of a rule to spiritual understanding, - to consciousness of your oneness with the universal - ever present - all powerful and omniscient.

Now to be practical - You say, "Well, how do we go about it?"

In the first place, you realize that there is enough of lumber - rock - material for brick and glass and other building material for each and all to have a home equal to the palace of a King. The supply is unlimited - It just needs discovery, production or fabrication - the energies of men to make it available. Likewise, there is food, or food producing capacity that all may eat of the finest foods conceivable, - and as for clothing and home furnishings and all necessities and luxuries of life, the raw material for these is unlimited.

With the knowledge that the supply is unlimited, let it sink into your consciousness that the source of all this is from the invisible, the universal, the omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient. God expresses it to some - Divine Source expresses it to others - and the science minded say Nature.

Contemplate food - from seed to harvest to you - Nature's process - unerringly calling on the universal for just the right elements. Wheat - corn - potatoes - beans. Each has its own peculiar elements and the response is in accordance with the call.

Observe, too, the lumber - the iron - the lime - the cement - Nature's gifts, and made suitable for use by the abilities and skill and knowledge and energies of men, and these are from the universal ever present supply.

The oil, the gas - the coal, gold, silver, and all the minerals; the air you breathe - the water you drink -

Creation is going on now, as throughout the ages - - all supply is continuously being renewed.

The ideas - dreams - visions, abilities, capacities and efficiencies of individuals has a natural source. Man himself is from a seed, the child of Nature.

An energy - an electron set in motion attracts to itself and becomes matter. The visible springs from the invisible as further elaborated in these instructions - and science now agrees that this is so - - - yes, - witnesses it.

And, you are a creator - you are a source of energy - and you can and do materialize the objects of your desires - if made dynamic - and the laws we give you are followed.

Again you say - "How? - so I can do it."

Doubt not! You can experience only as large a world as you know, regardless of how large a one is present and to be known.

Countless are those who have had opportunities, education, wealth, friends, pull, advantages without number, who lived lives of frustration, mediocrity and defeat, - and right beside them poverty stricken immigrants who could not speak our language, and without education and with no advantages, friends, or influence, have by their own endeavors risen to heights beyond the dreams of most.

There comes to mind such a one as Edward Bok, the late editor of the Curtis publications, "The Saturday Evening Post" and "The Ladies Home Journal."

Have you drawn a circle about your supply of health - success - or happiness?

Have you set a limit to the supply that you think is for you?

Well, first extend the limit of your vision - and with it expand your faith. Then take unto yourself an incentive - love, desire, obligation, or something that will generate heat for the expansion of your powers and capacities.

Throw away your dependence upon the material - friends - influence - investments - holdings. Put your dependence upon the immaterial - upon an unlimited supply, and make the necessity great, the desire for doing, being, or having, a burning obsession - be single purposed - - and start to deserving the things you seek.

That is not specific enough for starting? You want health? Just act as though you had better health, just a little better than yesterday. (Don't over-do it.) But just as much better as you can with confidence act the part - and progressively act healthier - act out our suggestions in this course - act the part of health - happiness - success.

It's material success or supply you want? Act just a little richer. Buy better quality food - better quality clothing. Trade in a better store or market. Eat

in a better restaurant - give something to somebody or some cause that is worthy.

Yes - start the out-flow; the channels will not open, and there will be no intake until there is an out-flow.

That is the meaning of "As you give, so shall you receive."

You can't understand that?

You understand thoroughly that a pool of water will become stagnant if it has not both inlet and outlet. With no out-flowing, stagnation sets in and even with an inlet, but no outlet, the incoming water quickly becomes contaminated. So it is in life. It is your business to keep the outlet open - the life principle takes care of the inlet.

That's why every philosophy and every religion contains the equivalent of "As you give, so shall you receive" - No person lives so poor he has not something to give - if nothing else, a smile - a kind word - a helpful suggestion - a bit of encouragement - a helping hand, the spirit of thankfulness.

As you give service or material things to others, the law of nature takes care of the in-flow, and thus the pool of life is kept sweet and clean - There is no stagnation - Stagnation is death.

From the above we do not mean for you to get extravagant and plunge into debts, but we do mean for you to get over "pinch penny" penurious ideas, going without what you need and can use to advantage to save something for fear of want - - - the very fear of want will bring it upon you. Show us the man saving for fear of ending in a poor house and we will show you the man on the direct road to the poor house.

Every religion and every philosophy teaches that, that which you fear most will come upon you, and it unerringly works out that way.

Wear your good clothes - - you will feel better - do better.

Use your good linens, your good silverware - Don't save it for company use only - The use of these will make you feel better.

Don't put off fixing up the house, the yard, the fence. Expand, as you will, with the richer feeling that comes with doing these things. It will attract the sale you hope to make — it will cause your neighbor to say you are progressive, and that will lead you to the thing you seek.

Quit talking hard times, hard luck, lack, or the "good old days" never to return for you. Quit trying to make everything come your way, and shutting the gates upon the many avenues through which the good things of life can come to you.

Give to others - services - money - clothes - a smile - kind words - praise - thanks - real thanks. It will help your outlook - Gear your mental machinery to set energy loose, and energy gathers unto itself substance. That is not theory - That is science as you will know as you progress and comprehend.

View your past - good things have happened to you - It can be so again.

Instead of fear and worry and doubt and the negatives, substitute thankfulness - gratefulness for what you have, and for what you want, just as though you had it now. If you observe the laws you now know, it is on the way, it is about to materialize, and why not be thankful?

How would you act, what would you do if you had it? Well, act that way! - do it! As Dorothy Brande says - Act and "act as though failure were impossible" - act as though success were here and now.

That for which you pray (desire as we have taught you), believing that you have it, it shall be yours, - health, happiness, or success.

To acquire any power you desire (want) you first assume it then assert it - then you ascend both yourself and your conduct to the level of the assumption and the assertion.

When you assume a thing - you think of it always as though yours already. Remember about praying, "believing that you have it!"

When you assert a thing - you lay claim to it against all opposition and surmounting all seeming obstacles.

When you ascend to a thing, you with faith - act the part - are conscious of no possible failure, just go on as though failure were impossible!

#### . . JUST TALKING IT OVER . .

In the Christian religion we hear much about righteousness, and the general impression is that one who is righteous is goody-goody and churchy, and it seems to be connected with holiness and sanctimoniousness.

Righteousness is the understanding of the laws of the infinite, and living according to the best of your understanding.

You are doubtless familiar with the passage in the Bible which is "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled." MATTHEW 5:6

The dictionary defines righteous as "just." It defines righteousness as "rectitude of life," but you will never miss the true understanding of righteousness if you view it in this way, - RIGHT - USE - NESS.

The right use of your powers and faculties. The right use of your opportunities and obligations - - the right use of people and things.

That you are seriously studying this course of instructions is and should be the evidence to you that you hunger and thirst after right-cousness, and Jesus, out of the experiences of the ages past, promised that you would be filled.

### . . . Thought gems . . .

No one would have the courage to hope and strive for better things if he accepted present conditions as final. We grow because we have the capacity to project our thoughts to more desirable states and reach up to them.

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It is an absurd theory which places happiness in an effortless life. Happiness is everywhere if one knows the secret of placing it in the accomplishment of a task. It is better to <u>yearn</u> for a cabin than <u>mourn</u> for a palace.