

Blueprint for Achievement

Is there anybody left in the country who doesn't know that things are bad right now? Really bad. And going to get worse. Much worse. We're all going down with the sinking ship. All of us. At least, that's what the media wants us to believe. They're sellers of the sensational and peddlers of panic.

This constant barrage of doom and gloom has convinced the masses that they are tumbling in an avalanche and about to be buried alive. It's just a matter of time until **their** company will fail, they will lose **their** job, and **they** will be left penniless. And since some things are out of our control, that is in the realm of possibility.

But there is something you can do that will make you so invaluable that you'll be the last person your boss would ever let go; something that will set you apart from all the others; something that will open doors of opportunity even in the toughest of times. It's a simple, but profound blueprint for achievement that takes some resolve and a bit of hard work. Ready?

Believe, while others are doubting.

Plan, while others are playing.

Study, while others are sleeping.

Decide, while others are delaying.

Prepare, while others are daydreaming.

Begin, while others are procrastinating.

Work, while others are wishing.

Listen, while others are talking.

Smile, while others are pouting.

Commend, while others are criticizing.

Persist, while others are quitting.

William Arthur Ward wrote these words many years ago, but they are especially significant right now. This is your time! This is your chance! Begin each day by reviewing this blueprint. Post it in prominent places where you will see it throughout your day. Determine to live it and instill it in others, and watch the difference it makes!

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