“Successful Human Life”

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“Success is where both opportunity and persistence meet” - Bobby Usher

No matter how old you are, where you are from or what you do for a living, we all share something in common and that is keen a desire to be successful in life. Every person has a different concept of success. Nevertheless, some may define success as being a loving and faithful spouse or a caring and responsible parent, while most people would equate success with wealth, prosperity, fame and power. We all are desirous of achieving success so we could live a pleasant and comfortable life, have financial liberty, drive a nice car, and live in a beautiful house. However, although success can be accomplished it does not come easy as it seems to achieve. Well, success has no definite definition, yet it suggests lot of tips and strategies out there on how to be successful in life. Be a firm believer that there is no better way to succeed than to follow that footsteps of those who have already done so.

Every person is thinking differently about being prosperous in life and is defining success in another way, so there can’t exist a definition that is suitable for all. It is very important that you know exactly how to define success in life! Make yourself aware what accomplishment, success, and prosperity in general means to you in your life. The true meaning of success goes far beyond the common definitions of success, such as having a lot of money, being wealthy, having a lot of tangibles and earned degrees. Quite the opposite: true success in life cannot be measured with the above-named factors, but instead with the amount of people that are able to live a better and more advanced life because of what you created. This is the meaning of success, not the trophies people are collecting in their lives. Media and society let us often conclude that living a successful life means to be extraordinarily wealthy and have a lot of tangibles. But the meaning of success is to live a happy life and to make this world a better place for everyone.

Success is the status of having achieved and accomplished an aim or objective. Being successful means the achievement of desired visions and planned goals. Furthermore, success can be a certain social status that describes a prosperous person that could also have gained fame for its favorable outcome. The dictionary describes success as the following: “attaining wealth, prosperity and/or fame”.

How do we define a successful life? Is it by how much wealth or stuff we have accumulated is it by the legacy you leave behind? All too often we equate a successful life with material possessions. Yet, there are millions of people who lead successful, fulfilled lives within modest means. They may not be rich in the financial sense, but they are rich in life and values. So what are the things we should strive for to make our lives successful and have a positive impact on those around us? Here is a list of dispositions that define what true success in life is all about.

1. **Thinking Big.** Greater danger for the most of us lies not in setting our aim too high and falling short but in setting our aim too low, and achieving our mark.
2. **Have an unwavering resolution to succeed.** The foremost condition for being successful is not to waver.

3. **Be a man of action.** It had long since come to attention that people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things.

4. **Honesty.** Be honest in your dealings with yourself and with others. When others interact with you, let them see someone who is reputable, respectable and genuine. Do what you say you will do and never use fraud or deception to get ahead in life. Let ethics, morals, and honor be your compass.

5. **Heartfelt.** When we do something for someone, or they do something for you, let your thanks and emotion be openly and outwardly expressed towards them.

6. **Wholeheartedness.** Be enthusiastic about what you do. Show it. Be committed to life and everything that you set out to accomplish in life. Devote yourself to your family, friends, and community and commit yourself to being the best father, husband, wife, mother, friend, and neighbor you can be.

7. **Unfeigned.** Be genuine in what you do; your actions speak louder than your words. Don’t falsify or embellish events that may have happened. Don’t say one thing and do the other.

8. **Sincerity.** Be sincere in your actions. Don’t try to deceive or impress others. Be yourself, and do what you feel is right based on your values and beliefs. You will be surprised at how people accept you when you stop trying to be someone you aren’t.

9. **Personal integrity.** Always follow your heartfelt values, and never let a situation or anyone steer you away from doing what you know is right. Be someone that people can look up to and respect and not someone who trades his or her moral values for material gains in life.

10. **Humility.** Don’t lead a life thinking you are better than others or are superior to those around you. Modesty and humbleness will leave a far more ever lasting impact on people than trying to show off.

11. **Avoid corruptibility.** Let it be known that you stand firm for what you believe in and that your morals, values and actions are not for sale. Don’t let outside forces corrupt the person you are.

12. **Whole.** Be focused on what you want to achieve in life. Give everyone you interact with your complete and undivided attention.

13. **Wisdom.** Gain from the wisdom that is inside you. Understand the inner qualities of people and learn how to understand situations that might be different than we are used to.

14. **Sympathy.** Share your feelings with others and understand the emotional situations that people go through. Put yourself in their shoes.

15. **Compassion.** When someone is in distress, reach out with a genuine interest in helping alleviate their suffering. Altruism. Think of others without thinking of yourself. Do good things for people without expecting something in return for yourself. Magnanimous. Be generous in life. Give of your time, money and wisdom. Share with others so they can see the true joy and adventures of life themselves.

These are the traits that help lead a person a successful life.

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