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You can be totally prepared, work at promoting, be on your way to success - nothing can stop you now, except you. Yes, you always have the power to stop yourself from succeeding by the simple act of sitting down and quitting. Someone has said the ultimate "secret to success" is that you can never be defeated if you never stop trying.

Life consists of choices. If we make the right choices, we experience good things. If we make the wrong choices, we experience bad things. Wise choices will usually be challenged by difficulties and temptations. Therefore, we need determination to carry them out. Determination is purposing to accomplish a goal regardless of difficult circumstances.

Reaching a goal requires more than skill - it requires determination. This means rejecting distractions, such as discouragement and doubt. Often, failure is due not to a lack of talent or ability but to a lack of persistence during difficult times.

John Wanamaker said, "To have failed once is not so much a pity as is to not try again." Life is a struggle, and there are a million disappointments and frustrations long the way. The saddest thing is when someone with great potential and great talent gives up before they've given themselves a chance to succeed.

Determination presupposes careful consideration of the cost and requirements of a task and a decision that the task is worth whatever expenses are necessary to achieve it. We develop determination by recognizing the losses or gains resulting from a particular choice.

A determined person is like a bomber pilot passing the point of no return, thereby cutting off the option of retreat - there is no turning back! They are like Winston Churchill who said, "Never give up, never give up, never give up."

While determination deals with a mind-set prior to a task, endurance or diligence involves the carrying out of the task. To be successful, one must be diligence - using all my energies to complete a task.

The California Gold Rush of 1849 provides a powerful illustration of diligence. Men living on the East Coast dropped everything and rushed out to the West Coast to dig for gold.

They worked swiftly and thoroughly without regard for personal weariness or sacrifice. They were motivated to work because they visualized what they could do with the gold they discovered. If this same energy and motivation were invested in every project that we undertake, the quality of diligence would be seen and honored.

True diligence requires an expenditure of energy that is opposite to our nature inclination. We naturally tend to make soft choices and let other do the hard work. Whenever we are asked to carry out a difficult task, we usually ask ourselves two questions: "What will I gain if I do it?" or "What will I lose if I do not do it?" Therefore, our motivation for diligence is to realize that we seek a reward that will provide a benefit.

Diligence is the force which propels a project forward. It is possible to have good attitudes about a project, to have the best equipment available, and to have ideal conditions for the project's success, but when it gets down to it, the work has to be done and done well. Diligence is putting your best effort behind your intentions.

Let diligence compel you and determination empower you to succeed at making a Net Profit Today!

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