

STARTING WHERE YOU ARE

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Don't Be Stuck in Impossibilities

Stop,
Shake it off
and Step up.



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Rigidity is the inability to change or adapt



Feeling of sadness over failure to do or get something done

Rid yourself
of RIGIDITY
adopt
FLEXIBILITY



"Those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything"

- Sometimes It Is OK To Go With The Flow, Use What You Have
- Rigidity Anything that is too rigid will break.
- Flexibility is having the awareness that life is ever changing, and adaptation is necessary. Failure comes quickly to those who insist on maintaining their position out of resistance or defiance of change, even when it is clear that the change will be more beneficial to them.
- Learn to laugh at yourself when you make mistakes is good to begin with.

"Do not use the excuse, 'this is how I am' in order to remain in a state of unproductivity"

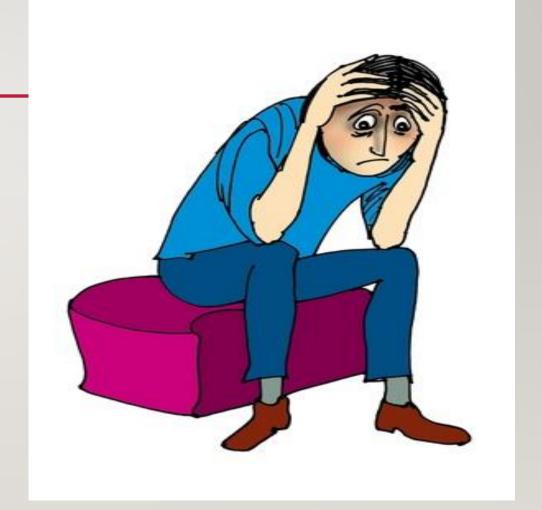
# REGRET

walks around with many others.
That's a whole lot of baggage to take around.



"Time wasted today can never be regained tomorrow, count your many blessings and move on to finding the next fortune"

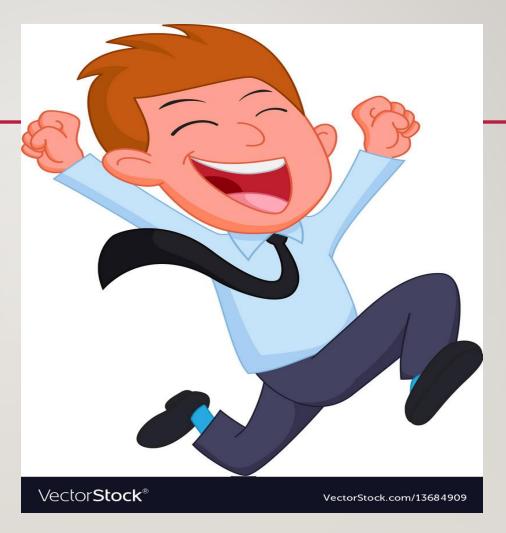
• When we regret something that we didn't do, we have unrealized ambitions, unfulfilled intentions and incomplete goals. These will take us absolutely no where.



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# APPRECIATE EVERYTHING

Regret Nothing



"Appreciate everything, regret nothing"

# When you fall in life, fall forward

**Denzel Washington** 

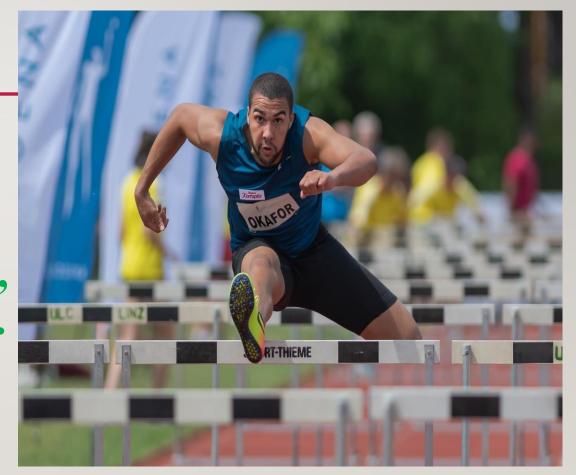
Please use the link to watch the video presentation. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tbnzAVRZ9Xc

There are several themes in Denzel's presentation.

Please identify and write the one that stood out the most to you

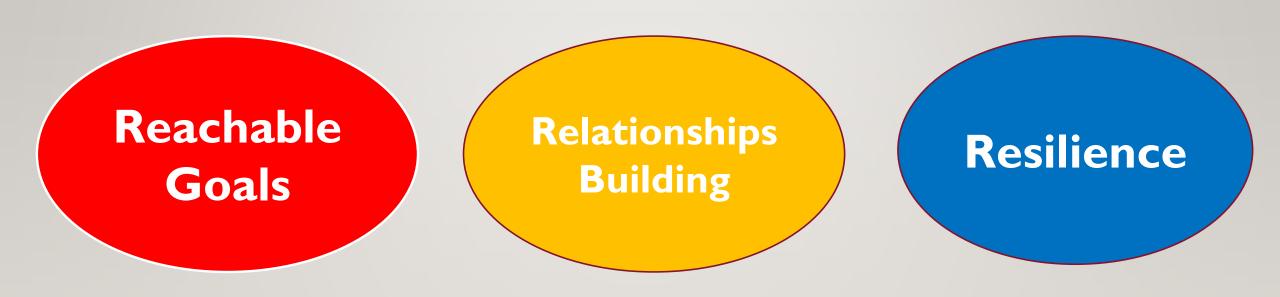
• Life is filled with problems.

Somebody once said that in this life, it is either you are having a problem, you just left one or is heading to one.



"Tough times don't last, but tough people do"

Moving Beyond Impossibilities



"Great things never come from comfort zones."













Do: Set real numbers with real deadlines.

Don't: Say, "I want more visitors." Do: Make sure your goal is trackable.

Don't: Hide behind buzzwords like, "brand engagement," or, "social influence." Do: Work
towards a goal
that is
challenging,

Don't: Try to take over the world in one night.

but possible.

Do: Be honest with yourself- you know what you and your team are capable of.

Don't: Forget any hurdles you may have to overcome.

Do: Give yourself a deadline.

Don't: Keep pushing towards a goal you might hit, "some day."

"A goal without a timeline is just a dream."

#### Have Reachable Goals

- Continually strive to meet goals
- Be willing to try new things even if you might fail.
- Take risks to get outside your comfort zone.
- Seek opportunities to expand your potential (Mandy Harvey)



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- 1. Goals are achieved in stages. Take it one day at time.
- 2. They should be your dream and not someone else.
- 3. Move from dream land to reality land.
- Seven Steps to Achieving Reachable Goals are:



"Go ahead, your best days are ahead of you, the sky is the limit."

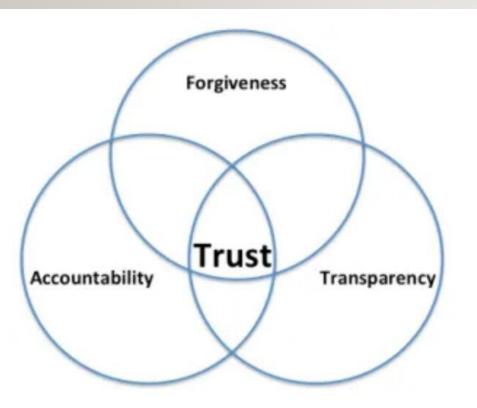
Building Relationships

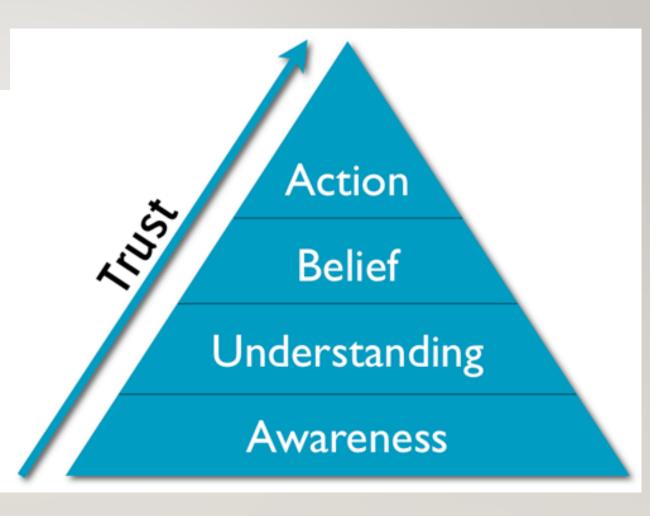
It begins with those you love the most, but it also extends to those who you don't like best.



"People are the most likely open doors through which opportunities will come."

Building Relationships





"Trust takes years to build, seconds to break and forever to repair."

- Building Relationships is very important for everyone. We were created to be social beings. "No man is an island, no man stands alone."
- It increases study successes, eases career transitions, helps you find future opportunities, and lays the groundwork for future leadership roles.
- Relationships are important to achieving our goals, but we cannot do it on our own.
- Learn to forgive and forget quickly.
- Learn to take negative criticisms and use them to your advantage (stop, shake it off and step up).
- Do not burn your bridges behind you.
- Do not take those who assists you for granted. Do not abuse trust.
- Resist rehashing old, uncomfortable and unbeneficial stories.

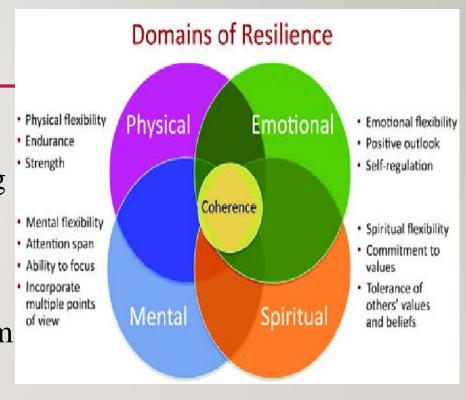
"We are not very different from each other, people are people every where you go"

### Building Your Resilience

- Imagine you're going to take a raft trip down a river. Along with slow water and shallows, your map shows that you will encounter unavoidable rapids and turns. How would you make sure you can safely cross the rough waters and handle any unexpected problems that come from the challenge?
- Perhaps you would enlist the support of more experienced rafters as you plan your route or rely on the companionship of trusted friends along the way. Maybe you would pack an extra life jacket or consider using a stronger raft. With the right tools and supports in place, one thing is sure: You will not only make it through the challenges of your river adventure. You will also emerge a more confident and courageous rafter.

"Building resilience happens overtime and never overnight. It is ok to be patient with yourself"

- Build Resilience More than physical strength
- Resilience is the ability to withstand adversity and bounce back from difficult life events.
- Being resilient does not mean that we don't experience stress, emotional upheaval, and suffering. But demonstrating resilience includes working through emotional pain and suffering.
- Resilient people do experience stress, setbacks, and difficult emotions, but they tap into their strengths and seek help from support systems to overcome challenges and work through problems. Resilience empowers them to accept and adapt to a situation and move forward.



"Resilience is "the core strength you use to lift the load of life." Sood

- Build Resilience In building resilience you will be going against the norm, so it will take time, effort and courage.
- 1. Competence develop a set of skills to help you trust your judgments and make responsible choices.
- 2. Contribution having a sense of purpose is a powerful motivator. It builds a sense of positive community spirit. Living behind the shadows will not test your capacity to withstand. There is so much to do, get involve.
- 3. **Control** an understanding of internal control helps individuals act as problem-solvers instead of victims of circumstance. Life is about choices.



"Resilience is not just for surviving the worst day of your life, but for thriving everyday of your life."

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