

# DAILY INSPIRATION

a daily journal for self improvement

## Empower Your Soul - to Inspire

### Determination

*"What this power is I cannot say; all I know is that it exists and it becomes available only when a man is in that state of mind in which he knows exactly what he wants and is fully determined not to quit until he finds it."— Alexander Graham Bell*

### Willpower

*"The time is always right to do what is right."— Martin Luther King Jr*

### Encouragement

*When someone we love is having difficulty and is giving us a bad time, it's better to explore the cause than to criticize the action.*

## Words of Wisdom

**MONEY IS EITHER A GOOD OR BAD INFLUENCE, ACCORDING TO THE CHARACTER OF THE PERSON WHO POSSESSES IT.**

It's true. Money has no character, no personality, no values. Its actions only reflect the desires of its owner. Money can build great hospitals and schools, or it can be gambled away or squandered on meaningless possessions. Money may build museums to house beautiful works of art, it may construct beautiful houses of worship-or it may be used to create instruments of war and destruction. As you build your personal wealth, make sure you build your character by setting aside a portion of your income to help others. Choose a church, a charity, or a cause that you can enthusiastically support. Then give of your money and your time in support of that cause. The primary beneficiary of such noble actions is always the one who gives, not the one who receives.

## Enlighten Your Mind - to Excel

### Vocabulary

**Abridge v.** To make shorter in words, keeping the essential features, leaving out minor particles.

**Believe v.** To accept as true on the testimony or authority of others.

**Chameleon adj.** Changeable in appearance.

**Decent adj.** Characterized by propriety of conduct, speech, manners, or dress.

**Fervor n.** Ardor or intensity of feeling.

**Generalize v.** To draw general inferences.

## 28<sup>th</sup> July in History

**1615:** French explorer Samuel de Champlain discovers Lake Huron on his seventh voyage to the New World.

**1851:** First ever photograph of a total eclipse of the Sun made.

**1858:** Fingerprints first used as a means of identification, in France.

**1868:** The 14th Amendment to the Constitution, which guarantees citizenship to all those born or naturalized in the United States, is adopted.

**1902:** Kenneth Fearing, poet and novelist.

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