

Hope is Essential for A Fresh Start

I'm hesitant to say any one truth is the single key to a Fresh Start. However, one four-letter word is so powerful I guarantee it will help you improve immediately and permanently. The word is stated or implied in a thousand different ways but it's spelled HOPE!



Orson Swett Marden emphasized the unique value of hope when he wrote, "There is no medicine like hope, no incentive so great, and no tonic so powerful as expectation of something better tomorrow".

Hope oozes from this great statement by George Eliot, "It's never too late to be what you might have been". Even the possibility of fulfilling your divine destiny infuses you with hope.

The late Wilbur Herring offered hope when he said, "Someday your bush will burn." In a similar vein Larry Crabb stated, "In every case, when good dreams shatter, better ones are newly valued and pursued".

Beth Moore had the right idea when she organized one of her devotional journals around the theme, "Whispers of Hope". This makes a great gift book for somebody needing a fresh approach to daily devotions.

Thinking about the fact that "Obstacles are gloriously disguised as opportunities for growth" keeps me hopping and hoping. I'm also highly motivated by the statement; "When God is in the equation the outcome is never in doubt".

The Bible refers to God as the "God of all Hope," (Romans 15:13). David said, "My hope comes from Him" (Ps. 62:5). God inspired Micah to leave us some great words of hope, "I watch in hope for the Lord. Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the Lord will be my light" (Micah 7: 7-8).

Energy for your Fresh Start flows from the engine of hope!