

# MORE WISE WORDS



Thanks for the positive comments on **WISE WORDS**, my first effort at publishing a motivational pamphlet a few years back. And thanks to those who asked for more. Hence, another effort, packed with words to live by, this time with some great music lyrics and Bible passages. Great quotes from some pretty smart people and good ol' anonymous are woven throughout.

So please enjoy **MORE WISE WORDS**...read a couple of sections when you have a minute or need a boost. **Know** that this comes to you with the sincerest intent of making some kind of change in the world, one thought at a time. God bless, hang in there and *never* give up!



You never make progress until you  
quit asking why.

You can't win 'em all unless  
you win the first one.

*Sergio Garcia*

What you don't see with your eye,  
don't invent with your mouth.

*Jewish Proverb*

The fishermen know that the sea is  
dangerous and the storm terrible,  
but they've never found these  
dangers sufficient reason for remaining  
ashore.

*Vincent Van Gogh*

If you can't find happiness along the  
way,  
you will not find it at the end of the  
road.

Don't stop believin'.  
Hold onto that feelin'.

*Journey*

I get knocked down, but I get up  
again.  
You're never going keep me down.

*Chumbawumba*

It's not the load that breaks you  
down,  
it's the way you carry it.

*Lena Horne*

It doesn't matter how slow you go as  
long as you don't stop.

One day the courage of man will fail  
but not this day.

*J.R.R. Tolkien*

The world is what you make of it.  
If it doesn't fit, make alterations.

*Silverado*

Maybe you are listless because  
you have no list.

*Robert Schuller*

Let's work, be proud  
Stand tall, touch the clouds

*Mick Jagger*

Winners are not those who never  
fail,  
but those who never quit.

So, if you're lost and on your own  
You can never surrender  
And if your path won't lead you  
home

You can never surrender  
And when the night is cold and dark  
You can see, you can see light  
'Cause no one can take away your  
right to fight and to never surrender.

*Corey Hart*



Lots of people want to ride with you  
in the limo,  
but what you want is someone who  
will take the bus with you  
when the limo breaks down.

*Oprah Winfrey*

Don't start today with yesterday.

A lesson for all of us is that for every  
loss, there is victory, for every sadness,  
there is joy, and when you think you've  
lost everything, there is hope.

*Geraldine Solon*

Our greatest glory is not in never  
falling,  
but in rising every time we fall.

*Confucius*

Winners are not those who never  
fail,  
but those who never quit.

*Banksy*

If you're the smartest person in the  
room,  
you're in the wrong room.

You can spend minutes, hours, days,  
weeks or even months over-analyzing a  
situation; trying to put the pieces together,  
justifying what could have or  
would have happened...  
or you can just leave the pieces on  
the floor  
and move the fuck on.

*Tupac Shakur*

You can tell the size of a person by  
the size of the thing that bothers them.

All you can do is change  
how you react to it.

*Mohandas Gandhi*

The moment you accept  
responsibility for *everything* in your life is  
the moment you gain the  
power to change *anything* in your  
life.

*Hal Elrod*

Don't stop, no, never give up  
And never look back,  
just hold your head up

And if it gets rough,  
it's time to get rough.

*HAIM*

Life is like a camera:  
Focus on what's important  
Capture the good times  
Develop from the negatives  
And if things don't work out,  
take another shot.

You may have to fight a battle more  
than once to win it.

*Margaret Thatcher*

When life gets you down,  
do you wanna know

what you've gotta do?

Just keep swimming!

*Dory*

Be at war with your vices, at peace  
with your neighbors,  
and let every new year find you a  
better person.

*Benjamin Franklin*

Don't believe everything you think.



Never stop never stopping.

*Conner4Real (Andy Samberg)*

Defeat doesn't finish a man,  
quit does.

A man is not finished when he's  
defeated. He's finished when he quits.

*Richard Nixon*

Seeing the bad in the world and in  
people isn't difficult or wise or insightful,  
it's lazy.

*Chip Gaines*

To thrive in life, you need three  
bones.

A wishbone. A backbone.

And a funny bone.

*Reba McEntire*

When I stand before God at the end  
of my life,

I would hope that I would not have a  
single bit of talent left, and could say,

“I used everything you gave me.”

*Erma Bombeck*

Success is not just the crowning moment, the spiking of the ball in the end zone or the raising of the flag on the summit. It is the whole process of reaching for a goal and, sometimes, it begins with failure.

*Erik Weihenmayer*

I have missed more than 9,000 shots  
in my career.

I have lost almost 300 games.

On 26 occasions I have been  
entrusted to take the game winning shot...  
....and I missed.

I have failed over and over and over  
again in my life.

And that's precisely why I succeed.

*Michael Jordan*

Working hard is important. But  
there is something that matters even  
more: believing in yourself.

*Harry Potter*



Keep on don't stopping.

*The Motet*

If I couldn't handle not being good at  
something,  
then how could I consider myself  
a successful person?

*Gerald Hodges*

Ya gotta do what ya gotta do  
when ya gotta do it.

*Denny McLain*

If you cave once,  
you may as well live in a cave.

*Gary Lico*

Advice is a form of nostalgia:  
dispensing it is a way of fishing the  
past out of the disposal, wiping it off,  
painting over the ugly parts and selling it  
for more than it's worth.

*Baz Luhrman*

Once a task is just begun, never leave  
until it's done.

Be the labor great or small, do it well  
or not at all.

*Quincy Jones*

Don't you know things can change  
Things will go your way  
If you hold on for one more day  
*Wilson Phillips*

I don't like to gamble, but if there's  
one thing  
I'm willing to bet on, it's myself.  
*Beyonce*

So don't yield to the fortunes  
You sometimes see as fate  
You may have a new perspective  
On a different day  
And if you don't give up, and don't  
give in

You may just be okay.

*Mike and the Mechanics*

You are braver than you believe,  
smarter than you seem,  
and stronger than you think.

*Winnie-the-Pooh*

Enthusiasm is common.

Endurance is rare.

*Angela Duckworth*

How far you go in life depends on  
your being tender with the young,

compassionate with the aged, sympathetic  
with the striving and  
tolerant of the weak and strong.  
Because someday in your life you  
will have been all of these.

*George Washington Carver*

Don't love anything that doesn't  
love you back.

*Gary Lico*

Mindfulness gives you time.  
Time gives you choices.  
Choices, skillfully made,  
lead to freedom.

*Henepola Gunaratana*

Well, I won't back down  
No, I won't back down  
You can stand me up at the gates of  
hell  
But I won't back down  
No, I'll stand my ground  
Won't be turned around  
And I'll keep this world from draggin'  
me down  
Gonna stand my ground  
And I won't back down  
Hey, baby, there ain't no easy way  
out  
Well I know what's right  
I got just one life

In a world that keeps on pushin' me  
around

But I'll stand my ground

*Tom Petty*



God in heaven laughs!

He is amused by all our puny plans.

*Psalm 2*

Although 10,000 enemies surround  
me on every side, I am not afraid.

*Psalm 3*

Put your trust in the Lord.

*Psalm 3*

God is my shield; he will defend me.

He saves those whose hearts and  
lives are true and right.

*Psalm 7*

All who are oppressed may come to  
him.

He is a refuge for them in times of  
trouble.

*Psalm 8*

He reached down from heaven and  
took me and drew me out of my great  
trials.

He rescued me from deep waters.  
He delivered me from my strong  
enemy,  
from those who hated me.

He fills me with strength and  
protects me wherever I go.  
He gives me the sure-footedness of a  
mountain goat upon the crags.  
He leads me safely along the tops of  
the cliffs.

Many times you have miraculously  
rescued me;  
you have been loving and kind to  
me.

*Psalm 18*

The Lord is my shepherd; I have  
everything I need. He lets me rest in the  
meadow grass and leads me beside the  
quiet streams. He restores my failing  
health. He helps me to do what honors  
him most.

Even when I walk through the dark  
valley of death, I will not be afraid, for you

are close behind me, guarding, guiding all  
the way.

*Psalm 23*

I try to walk a straight and narrow  
path of doing what is right.

*Psalm 26*

The Lord is my light and my  
salvation;  
whom shall I fear?

Abiding love surrounds those who  
trust in the Lord.

*Psalm 32*



Let all who are discouraged take  
heart.

Try to live at peace with everyone;  
work hard at it

*Psalm 34*

Stop your anger. Turn off your  
wrath.

Don't fret and worry - it only leads to  
harm.

*Psalm 37*

I said to myself, I'm going to quit complaining! I'll keep quiet, especially when the ungodly are around me. But as I stood there silently the turmoil in me grew to the bursting point. The more I mused, the hotter the fires inside. Then at last I spoke, and pled with God: Lord, help me to realize how brief my time on earth will be. Help me to know that I am here but for a moment more. My life is no longer than my hand. My whole lifetime is but a moment to you. Proud

man! Frail as breath! A shadow! And all  
his busy rushing ends in nothing.

*Psalm 39*

The Lord says: I want you to trust  
me in your times of trouble, so I can  
rescue you.

*Psalm 50*

I stand silently before the Lord,  
waiting for him to rescue me. For  
salvation comes from him alone. Yes, he  
alone is my rock, my rescuer, defense and  
fortress. Why then should I be tense with  
fear when troubles come?

*Psalm 62*



Teach us to number our days and  
recognize how few they are.

*Psalm 90*

When I was burdened with worries,  
you comforted me and  
made me feel secure.

*Psalm 94*

When doubts fill my mind, when my  
heart is in turmoil, quiet me and  
give me renewed hope and cheer.

*Psalm 94*

Happiness comes to those who  
are fair to others and  
are always just and good.

*Psalm 106*

He calms the storm and stills the  
waves.

*Psalm 107*

My heart is heavy with sorrow;  
encourage and cheer me with your words.

Don't let me make a mess of things.

*Psalm 119*

He will never let me stumble,  
slip or fall.

*Psalm 121*

Bring me out of all this trouble  
because you are true to your promises.

*Psalm 143*

Fear not, for I am with you.

Do not be dismayed. I will  
strengthen you; I will help you.

Don't be afraid; I am here to help  
you.

*Isaiah*

In my great trouble I cried to the  
Lord and he answered me; from the  
depths of death and I called, and you  
heard me.

*Jonah*

Don't worry about *things* - food,  
drink and clothes. For you already have a  
life and body and they are far more  
important than what to eat and wear.

Look at the birds! They don't worry  
about what to eat - they don't need to sow  
or reap or store up food.

Will all your worries add a single  
moment to your life?

Don't be anxious about tomorrow.

Live one day at a time.

Don't criticize and then you won't be  
criticized.

*Matthew*

O you of little faith. Why are you so  
frightened? Why did you doubt me?  
And when they climbed back into the  
boat, the wind stopped.



Come to me and I will give you rest  
— all of you who work so hard beneath a  
heavy yoke. You shall find rest for your  
souls, for I give you only light burdens.

The man who uses well what he is  
given  
shall be given more.

*Matthew*

Don't copy the behavior and customs  
of this world,  
but be a new and different person  
with a free newness in all you do and  
think.

God has given each of us the ability  
to do certain things well.

Run your race to win.

I run straight to the goal with  
purpose in every step.

*1 Corinthians*

Be humble and gentle.

Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults.

*Ephesians*

What is faith? It is the confident assurance that something we want is going to happen. It is the certainty that what we hope for is waiting for us, even though we cannot see it up ahead.

*Hebrews*

A man is saved by what he does, as well as by what he believes.

Faith is dead if it is not the kind that  
results in good deeds.

Don't be too eager to tell others their  
faults, for we all make many mistakes.

If anyone can control his tongue,  
it proves that he has perfect control  
over himself in every other way.

Don't criticize and speak evil about  
each other.

Your job is not to decide whether  
something is right or wrong.

What right do you have to judge or  
criticize others?

*James*

Get rid of your feelings of hatred.  
Don't just pretend to be good! Be done  
with dishonesty and jealousy and talking  
about others behind their backs.

Keep on doing what is right and trust  
yourself to God and he will never fail you.

*1 Peter*

I am bringing all my energies to bear  
on this one thing:

Forgetting the past and looking  
forward to what lies ahead,

I stretch to reach the end of the race.

Always be full of joy.

Let everyone see that you are  
unselfish and considerate in all you do.

Don't worry about anything, instead,  
pray about everything.

Fix your thoughts on what is good  
and true and right.

Think about things that are pure and  
lovely, and dwell on the fine, good things  
in others.

I have learned to get along happily  
whether I have much or little.

*Philippians*

