

Wednesday's Wisdom

a weekly short note from Mike Minear

Belief

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NO one wishes to be a second-class person with second-rate accomplishments. But there is a difference between wishing and believing. Many wish for success, but believe they will fail. They simply don't have the faith to climb the ladder of success. They get a rung or two off the ground and doubt will not permit them to go any higher.

Doubt is a negative power. It cripples initiative and cramps energy. It makes failures of us before we even start. When the mind begins to doubt, then it begins to marshal reasons to support its disbelief.

*Our doubts are traitors,
And make us lose the good we oft might win,
By fearing to attempt.*

— Shakespeare

Our can'ts and excuses are born of doubts; so faith, the positive attitude, will cure us of the Killer-Diseases of Can'titis and Excusitis.

Belief is a flame in the heart; without it, the spark of life is gone. Nothing is more chilling than doubt. "and they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us..." (Luke 24:32) It was faith that did it.

Faith will give you the substance to live 365 days a year.