



BEST WAYS TO LIVE AS A YOUTH

(3 operational Keys to effective and efficient living)

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Dedication

This piece of work is dedicated to all young people all over the world who desire to become relevant in their lives and live the best way always.

Acknowledgement

To all those who have helped my life and ensured my growth in one way or the other, I sincerely appreciate you all.

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My parents, my siblings, my mentors, my pastors, my friends and well-wishers, I am indebted to you all.

A special thanks and gratitude to my twin brother, [Amb Gideon Okeke](#), for being ever supportive. And a lovely smiles to you [Sir Elijah Ifeanyi](#) for taking time amidst his busy schedule, to go through this book and write the foreword. I cherish you people.

And you, my reader, I love you so much.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!

MEET SOLOMON

Solomon C. Okeke (#Solospeaks) is the founding president of the [Eagles Nest Youth Initiative](#) which is a fast rising Faith-based, Non-denominational, Non-Governmental Youth organization whose aim and objectives are geared toward empowering and equipping humanity for future exploits. He hosts two meetings (Leadership Rebirth and Purpose Redefined) for Youths quarterly which instills the appropriate leadership skills and help youths to discover, develop and explore their potentials and ensure purposeful living.

He is the co-host of the annual Enugu Readers Summit and Anambra Readers and Writer's Summit. Together with his twin brother, he co-founded the [ImpactField Global Youth Initiative](#) (IGYI) which helps young people in different spheres to become relevant globally.



Solomon believes that the only limitation that can defeat any youth is the limitation he places on himself {wrong mentality} and he puts in his efforts in making sure that youths are delivered of such limitations.

He asserts that “there is no end to what is achievable if we can take a step and do things differently.”

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FOREWORD

Ifeanyichukwu E. Aneke

It's such an honour to be asked to write the foreword to this book, **Three best ways to live as a Youth.**

In spite of the quest for success, many young people still end up in failure. Progress is a driving force that inspires what most people do yet majority still end up on the regressive plane of life. It is very clear that most people fail because they lack the understanding of the principles that guarantee the success they crave.

As I went through the script, it was evident that the young author was writing from his heart and experience. In so doing he made his work objective and pragmatic. Many Young people at his age are still wallowing in the deep of confusion and just existing but [Solomon C. Okeke](#) is a proof that you can live to the fullest of your potential. He has achieved so much and is yet on the path to greater heights having lived through the challenges of life.

There's little to what you can accomplish if you don't discover your purpose.

In this book, **Three Best ways to live as a Youth**, Solomon has carefully treated in a strategic manner and unveiled the three best ways that every youth can employ to live and not just exist. The 3 Ways treated in this book, **Live Your life daily, Help Others and Die Empty**, unveils the keys to purpose discovery because discovery determines destination, delivery and value. It brings to you the 5 movement questions every youth who wants to live purposefully must ask him/herself and also the harmful adventures that abort purposefulness.

This book will spur you to action and motivate you to intentionally develop yourself and live a purposeful life leaving no stone unturned. I highly recommend this book and encourage all serious minded young people and those striving to live their life with purpose to get a copy and also give to their loved ones.

The information in this book will arm you with the wealth of knowledge and wisdom you need to achieve the kind of success you are yearning for. If you abide by the principles therein, you won't regret it but I will see you at the top. Stay blessed.

Happy Reading!

Ifeanyichukwu E. Aneke

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Introduction

Hey guys,

I am Solomon Okeke and I am determined to take you on a soft ride today. I care for you and I mean it. Today, I want you to know that you are special, irrespective of what you have seen in your journey as a youth.

Follow me closely!

Have you ever seen youth with different challenges? Yes, I have seen. In my journey as youth counselor who believes that young people are valuable and should be valued, I have seen so many young people who are confused as a result of one reason or the other.

Some young people have not discovered who they really are. They have not known their WHYs and HOWs. Others are too self-centered that they care only about themselves and what will benefit them. Their mentality of Me, Myself and I has robbed them of tangible and priceless relationships that would have put them on a higher motion. The other set of people are not fulfilling their purpose here. They are too afraid to start out with their vision. They can't achieve greatness because they actually won't attempt.

These three sets of people increase the wealth of the cemetery on daily basis. While the first set cannot unleash all their potentials here on earth because they have not found their purpose, the second group of persons cannot live their God-Life to its fullest because they have not decided to be lost in the service of humanity. The last sect cannot become their own “idol” because they don’t want to start, or let’s say they are either afraid of the future or complacent with their little achievements so far.

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“The best way not to feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don’t wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope. Fill yourself with hope.”

-Barack Obama

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Whether or not you are in any of the above categories, the good news is that you have decided to read this book and I believe that you are not too lazy a youth to just scan through pages of this book without an in-depth learning.

My reason for putting up this free eBook is not farfetched. I have had the opportunity to counsel many young people in different aspects of life and I have discovered that so many young people have problems and many of them will never be too open to people around them. They harbour their pains and plights all to themselves, thinking that no one can be of help to them. Hence, I have put up a free material that will help every young person get it right and become their own “super hero”.

I therefore implore you to read this piece with keen interest and an in-depth quest for learning. You are free to share this book with your friends all over the world and please, write to me if this eBook blesses you after reading. My contacts are carefully written before the last page.

Follow me closely as I take you by hand and lead you through the three important tripods towards leading your God-Life...

Welcome to the world of limitless possibilities.

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CHAPTER 1

#1 WAY: LIVE YOUR LIFE DAILY

Your purpose is your life's essence.

It is the best thing that can happen to anyone when it is lived with enough passion and enthusiasm.

Solomon Okeke

Sometime ago, I had an opportunity to help a young guy through some challenges. He was so desperate for solutions to his problems and I volunteered to help and we got down to business immediately. Way into our discussion and my normal questions and answers techniques, I had to tease him with some questions which could be termed simple. “Who are you and what

are you on earth to accomplish?” was my question. I felt that expression of someone trying to say, “My name is.... And I am a student of...”

If truth is to be told today, most young people do not have an inkling of who they are. Hence, they can’t live their God-Life on daily basis. They can’t make that impact because they are still not in their own path in life and they are not just in the right environment to help them unleash that awesome potentials they carry.

Purpose Discovery

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The greatest tragedy on the planet earth is not **death**. It is neither **a life without purpose**. The greatest tragedy that can happen to mankind is **a life without the discovery of purpose**.

-Solomon Okeke

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Have you ever thought of it this way? Have you?

You see, “when the purpose of a thing is not **known**, abuse is inevitable” {Dr. Myles Munroe} and that is where discovery which is significant comes in.

No one is finished when death calls. Do you know why? It has been a conventional knowledge that one day a

man must journey to the great beyond. It is already an established fact and cannot be disputed.

Hence everyone is prepared to die either today or tomorrow. Irrespective of when the call of {the physical} death arrives and when a person is willing to answer the call, what really makes sense is that one day one must have to answer the call to eternity.

You see, the greatest tragedy in life is not a **life without a purpose** because the purpose of a man is not determined by the man himself. Hence, he depends on the **manufacturer** {according to Dr. Myles Munroe} to **know** his purpose. A product can never determine its **Purpose**. It has not the potential to say **i am for...** and **I must...** it is rather the original intent of the **producer** which has already been conceived and fashioned in his mind that comes to play when the creation is been put to place. For instance, the producers of kitchen pots are always aware of the purpose of their products before they even set out to start the production. The purpose of each pot affects its **size** and **structure** and of course the **materials** to be used in its production.

Therefore, to lay further credence to my assertion above, we ought to understand that a man's purpose is known by God before his creation {Biblical Ref: **Jer.**

1:5}. We can never be **without purpose**. We only **discover** that which we've been imbibed with from creation.

To Discover

Often times we have asked questions and bother our heads trying to know what it all entails that we discover our purpose. Answers to those troubling and brain-wracking questions may not be reaches easily if we do not understand the bases of what discovery {to discover} means independently.

Having viewed the word “discover” over the years, I have come a conclusion as the below:

To discover is to remove a cover: The word “discover” is synonymous to words like “**uncover**” and “**unveil**”. And below are the denotative meanings of them all:

Uncover: To reveal the Identity of...

Unveil: To remove a veil from...

Discover: To remove the cover from...

Yearningly, you will find out the similarities. They all have something in common which is geared at making

sure that one will be able to see clearly. **To reveal the identity of** something means that that thing has an identity **but hidden**. **To remove a veil** from something connotes that beauty lies within the **veil but is hidden under the veil**. **And to discover** is to remove a cover {refer to uncover above}.

The Best is in YOU already.

Most young people have failed to find out that the **best** they can be is resident in their Purpose and their Purpose is **resident** in their **discovery** through **knowledge**. If it is covered, it is then in you but need an uncovering.

THREE TRIPODS OF DISCOVERY

Discovery Determines Destination (D³).

Anyone who is set to go on a journey first discovers {finds out} his route before he takes off. And the right **routes** take the person to the right destination. This is to say that if discovery of purpose has not taken place, then it is impossible for one to get the already proposed destination by his maker. A destination may be reached but not all destinations are destined for everyone. This is to say that without discovery of purpose, man derails away from his own place.

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Discovery puts us in our own place.

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Discovery Determines Delivery (D³).

In one of the platform I had the privilege to speak on in 2017, I threw a question to the young people in that forum: Have you ever seen a woman who delivered {gave birth to a child} without having discovered that she was pregnant? Their response, you should know by now, was No! I have never seen something like that and I doubt if you have.

Whenever a woman conceives, there is always a discovery of the new state of being of the personality. This manifest in the systematic change of body structure and absence of the “conventionally normal” for every woman –stoppage of the monthly flow for the next nine months {till delivery} is one significant evidence and that alone leads to discovery.

At this point, when the discovery has been made, the woman concerned becomes conscious of certain things, bearing in mind that she now carries another human being who deserves to live. Therefore she takes care of her health and that of the fetus. She keeps to prescribed medications, attends ante-natal programmes, eats

prescribed foods and desists from any harmful adventure that could cause miscarriage or harm of any kind. **(We shall discuss those harmful adventures that could cause one to derail from purposeful living at the end of this chapter.)**

At this time also, the woman is expectant. Her husband is expectant. Her family and that of her husband are expectant. Most importantly and most fascinatingly, the people around her {of whom she has no relationship} are expectant too; I mean the people of whom the child is born. The people of whom the expected child will become a messiah to are also ready to welcome him to their world.

Upon nine months after conception {time for nurturing of purpose and building up}, the woman sets into labour –pain is also involved when necessary. After the labour, comes the delivery which is preceded by the joyful sound.

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“The discovery of one’s purpose puts one in the best position to deliver his potentials to the world.”

– Solomon Okeke

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Did you follow the analysis up till this stage? If yes, write down in a personal note what you grasped from it.

Now, do this assignment: **Liken yourself to the pregnant woman.**

Discovery Determines Value (DDV).

The value you place on yourself and others is solely dependent on the discoveries you've made. Chief amongst those discoveries is the discovery of Purpose – YOUR WHYs.

How to Discover Your Purpose

This is perhaps the most fascinating or should I say the most anticipated part of this chapter. I bet you, you expected it.

To so many people –young and old– getting to their own place on the earth has been of a chronic-effect problem. They do not know their left from their right. Hence, they imitate what others do in their own place.

This, to a large extent has caused so many people a life of misery and unfulfillment.

In the remaining part of this chapter we shall discuss extensively on how one can discover one's WHY in life. This, I shall do through three different yardsticks for

effective purpose discovery. I hope you pay attention to them:

1. THE FIVE MOVEMENT QUESTIONS:

- i. What are you passionate about?** That particular thing that consumes your passion on daily basis could be an indication to what solution you bring to the earth.
- ii. What can you do without being paid?** If money isn't involved, that thing you will still do and do better with all your strengths could be your place of assignment.
- iii. What can you do all your life without getting weary?** That thing you can stay on for a very long time without getting wearied or complain could be a road to your purpose.
- iv. What is it that puts tears in your eyes?** Whether tears of joy or sadness, that situation that forces tear to drop from your eyes could either be a situation you are to remedy or a happenstance you are born to encourage.

- v. **What moves you to action?** What is that issue that can't allow you sit down, fold your arms and watch in peace? It should be put to a check. That thing that cannot permission to be idle for a moment could be your purpose.

2. SIGNPOSTS TO YOUR ASSIGNMENTS (Dr. Mike Murdock)

- **What you love is a clue to the gifts and wisdom you contain to complete your assignment.**
- **What you hate is a clue to something you are assigned to correct.**
- **What grieves you is a clue to something you are assigned to heal.**

3. CONNECT TO THE MANUFACTURER (SOURCE)

This is obviously the most important step in **purpose discovery**. To every product, there is an original intent and that intent has for long been the intention of the Manufacturer even before the product becomes a reality. Hence the manufacturer knows not just the **WHYs** of a product but also the **HOWs**. The producer knows all the uses of the product and how best a customer could

maximize the usage and gain satisfaction from the product. This makes the manufacturer not only responsible for manufacturing the product but also keeps him in a position to attend to customers' questions and clear their confusions in due time.

God is the manufacturer and we are the products he has made in his own image with purposes to each one and he knows everything about us and how we can maximize our lives. Therefore, it is important to note that connecting and working with the creator gives you the opportunities and an undying privilege to have the first-hand information about yourself.

GOD IS ALWAYS IN THE CENTER OF THE EQUATION OF ANY LIFE OF PURPOSE

To connect to the creator, you must:

- **Have a working relationship with God:** This starts at the point when someone intentionally hands over his life to the lordship of God through Jesus Christ.
- **Strengthening the relationship:** Consistency in connection with God makes the difference in most cases. He is not just the manufacturer; he is also

your father and can be related with as thus. Hence, in a working relationship with God, the **Koinonia** is always strengthened **in the place of prayers, the word of God, Fellowship of brethren and Evangelism.**

- **Free from bounds:** Purpose discovery can be achieved free from any bound when we connect to the creator of our purpose. In him we live, more and have our being. **In him we have our Purpose.** Do you know the most fascinating thing about him? We are free to reach, connect and relate with him in a very free manner because he is our father.
- **Study the Manufacturers guide/manual:** The manufacturer guide to all humanity (the bible) is available for all mankind to always look into in order to find direction and strength for the journey as well. This manual is available at relatively no cost. Therefore it is the duty of man to take a glance and discover his own bit from the book which has been given.

Harmful Adventures that aborts Purposefulness

It is pertinent that we take concise look into those salient factors that could cause one to either derail from his purpose or miscarry his potentials. These adventures are not healthy at all and any young person who cleaves to any of them may not see himself in the right place.

Wrong Association:

I may not write much about this here because I took time to discuss it extensively in one of the chapters of our newest book (25 Top Secrets for Every Youth) but I must remind you that the circle of friends you keep determines what shape your life will take, now and tomorrow. The purpose of a man is tramped when in the wrong company.

When I discovered this in school, my life changed entirely. I started having a very few friends who were conscious of who they are and where they are going. I made friends who have passion for building up themselves and becoming purposefully different in their lives.

“My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me.”

-Henry Ford.

You can never operate above the circle of friends you keep. You can only move at the same pace with your associates. Hence, in building up yourself for a purposeful life, it is very important that we do away with the negative kind of **PEERS** which means {according to Dr. Benjamin Carson} **People {who} Encourage Errors, Rudeness {and} Stupidity**. These kinds of people won't allow you to get the “**Big Picture Mentality**”. They will never.

Unnecessary Emulation/Comparison:

This is one of the killers of purpose every young person must avoid. When you've taken time to go through the process of discovery of your purpose, it is also important that you understand that your purpose or assignment is not exactly the same as that of the other person by your side. Hence, undue comparison isn't important at all.

Never allow the success of others to become a threat to you. It has taken so many young people out of their purpose and crumbled on the way to the top.

If your why is to bless people and minister salvation through songs, for instance, please do not drag the podium with that person whom God has assigned to be there probably because you see him wearing good suit.

Work on being the best in your own place.

Undue Pressure:

So many young people put themselves under pressure because they want to perform better than the other person and become noticed more than others. Mehn! That's not your purpose. You are **YOU** and cannot afford to be another person.

In as much as I am not in support of complacency, I do not subscribe to the notion that one must be put under unnecessary pressure to become like another person and behave or achieve the same result.

Undue pressure makes some young persons to start doubting whether they saw their vision clearer and whether they have actually discovered their purpose.

The Purposeful guys

These are the youths who live their own life daily. They don't imitate heroes nor do they believe in other people's dreams more than theirs.

These guys are:

- ❖ Clarified
- ❖ Focused
- ❖ Courageous
- ❖ Have a Vision
- ❖ Passionate about their dreams
- ❖ Enthusiasm

- ❖ Work Hard/Smart
- ❖ Persistent
- ❖ Take Responsibility of their lives
- ❖ Do not push blames to people
- ❖ Takes calculated risks
- ❖ Believes in themselves
- ❖ Write their own story
- ❖ Are their own Hero

Book Recommendation:

Title: 25 Top Secrets for Every Youth

Author: Solomon C. Okeke & Amb Gideon C. Okeke

CHAPTER 2

#2 WAY: HELP OTHERS

“The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others”.

Mahatma Gandhi

I have come in contact with so many young people who believe that there is nothing they can do to lend a helping hand to someone in need, so they do nothing to put a smile in someone's face every day.

I have written a whole lot about putting a smile on someone's face recently and I humbly suggest that you read it. You can read it from [here](#) or [here](#).

Why I decided to put up this eBook

I have discovered that many young people have one challenge or the other which they cannot easily share with their peers. Some of these youths can read but may not be able to pay for material that will help them. Hence, I made this one free eBook to be of help to them.

Until your purpose and your life in its entirety is helping someone in one way or the other, you are not yet living.

Simple ways to help others include:

- Words of encouragements
- Giving a listening ear to someone in need.
- Praying for someone in need.
- Making yourself accessible to others.
- Buying a book for someone.
- Helping the less privileged around you.
- Hosting events to help others.
- Paying someone's school fees.
- Offering voluntary services.
- Joining community works.
- Showing love to the disabled or the incapacitated.
- Just putting up a smile. This one is powerful!
- Helping those with diseases.

- Sending an encouraging text message to someone out there.

Selfishness is deadly

So many young people have lost relationships that would have set them on motion for a greater future, simply because they always want to be seen at receiving end. They want everything for themselves. When all we want in life is only for us and nothing else matters to us, then we are simply heading into becoming a beast against our own success.

Any young person who desires to be useful and successful in life must learn to debunk the “I, me and myself” mentality/ideology.

We make a living by what we get but we make a life by what we give.

Everything you do in life mustn't be to enrich yourself alone. Sometimes, we ought to help others achieve their goals. Help others get their dreams set in motion. Do not always want your own alone.

Unforgiveness is selfishness

I know you never expected this but it is important that I treat it here.

Have you ever reasoned this way before?

Whenever we get embittered and resort not to forgive someone of a wrong done to us, it is always about us; always about our emotions. It is always about us!

As a young person, learn to always let go of wrongs done against you. It's important!

I suggest you read more on the chapter 17 of our book "25 TOP SECRETS TO EVERY YOUTH"

Let us move to the third tripod...

Book Recommendation:

Title: Do yourself a favor, FORGIVE

Author: Joyce Meyer

CHAPTER 3

#3 WAY: DIE EMPTY

The graveyards are full of great men and women who never became great because they did not give their ability responsibility.

-Dr. Myles Munroe

Giving your abilities responsibility is one best way to die empty of all the potentials God deposited in you. Dr. Munroe said in one of his books {Releasing your Potentials} that *“unless you accept the responsibility for activating your abilities, the next generation will enter the museum of life and notice a vacant space in the earth’s display.”*

Of what importance are all the gifting if they are not released to benefit humanity?

It will be a waste of time and opportunities if we live and die with the potentials God imbibed in us untapped.

This chapter will help you with some tips on how to give your abilities responsibility which will put you on track towards dying empty.

Follow Closely!

Attempt

Though it is advised to take calculative steps in all you do, it is also very important to note that nothing can ever grow if it has never been started.

Most of the times, young people are afraid of failing that they never started out with their dreams. Some are too conscious of what other people may say about their goals that they shut themselves up.

May I encourage you today? That thing that God has deposited in you that is seeking for expression should not be quenched. That project and initiative that is meant to benefit humanity should not be lynched by the fear of failure.

If you start and along the way meet failure, don't worry at all. Just rise up and try again, maybe with a different approach this time around. And strive to be exceptional in every attempt; commit to excellence.

Commit to Excellence

“Success is not getting to the target or at least closer to it. It is beating and outscoring the target.”

-Onyi Nnebedum

(Beat the Rest and Become the Best)

When you have discovered your innate abilities and potentials which form the basis for the actualization of your purpose here on earth, one best way to develop it and become relevant to the world is to commit yourself to excellence. You aren't getting below the expectation, you are going to beat the mark and excel. That is success mindset. You aren't getting it half done, you are getting it done perfect and exceptionally different. You aren't going to give excuses why you didn't do what you ought to do when you ought to do it; you are going right away to get it done. That is success mentality.

Start Now!

Nobody ever failed without starting. Yes! Nobody ever became successful without taking a starting step. That journey of one thousand miles eventually starts with a step. It is when you have started that the whole picture become clearer.

You know one thing? Many young people have **become failures** while being afraid of **failing**. So many

people have lost more battle while doing nothing than they ought to lose had they started.

Our FEAR pushes us into the FEARED.

A wise man said that the best time to plant a tree was twenty years ago and the second best time is today. Therefore, start now to build up yourself and become the best God has made you. Have you discovered your purpose? If yes, start developing yourself and **START NOW**.

Give your ability responsibility and start now.

No Excuses...

Taking charge of your life and becoming the best you've been made to become should be done now and no **EXCUSE** about that. You see, in life, there are many challenges young people are faced with; each challenge to its own corresponding excuse. But excuses are a place of solace for **Failures** (I mean those who are **failures** and not those who have **failed**). They embrace and make excuses out of all things. But successful men are not so. They see a challenge and become solution to the challenge against all odds; even in the midst of a sea of excuses.

The slothful man saith, there is a lion outside! I shall be slain in the street. Prov 22:13{KJV}

The above is a typical example of what an excuse is. Let us also look at another example of excuse that was written in the scriptures:

Gideon said to him, Oh Lord, how can I deliver Israel? Behold my clan is the weakest in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house. –Judges 6:15{NKJV}

Gideon is a man recognized by the supernatural as one who has what it takes to save Israel from the hands of the Midianites but his own judgment about himself and excuses he had were too many that they almost overshadowed his innate capabilities. He almost ruined his capability with some flimsy justifications, but when he threw away those deceptive explanations, he did more than he could ever imagine.

Do not make excuses for whatever you ought to do. There is no need of deferring things that you ought to do now. Start building up capacity. **DO IT NOW!**

“Living with ability brings responsibility. Dying with ability reveals irresponsibility.”

Dr. Myles Munroe

Don't Procrastinate

This is one of the most effective killers of destiny and a disrupter of purpose. Learn not to put out things that are supposed to be done today for tomorrow. It is a little fox that might not be given an attention now but they sure have a way of destroying the vine.

In developing yourself in order to align with your divine purpose and die empty, do everything you need to do promptly. Start the course and start it now. Enroll for coaching and start it now. Read those books and read them now. Everything that you ought to do now should be done promptly.

I must inform you that almost all you have read and will still read in this book will spur you to action. They will motivate you to start developing yourself and start it now.

Learn from Others

One appalling mistake young people make is that they want to make **mistakes first**. They want to make mistake first and then, learn from their own mistakes. It has been a wrong ideology that needs to be debunked.

Learn how to be successful from successful men. Learn from the successes of others and become successful. Learn from the failures of others in order to avoid what

brought them down. No one on earth can grow effectively alone; everyone is dependent on others in one way or the other.

Ride on the shoulders of **mentors**. These are those who have gone through the same lane you are about passing. They know better and can take you through some helpful processes.

Live your passion

In order not to be truncated by the side, the best way to live and die empty is to live in your discovery of who you are. This discovery is fueled by passion. What a man is passionate about, he can improve on.

Therefore, as a young person, it is important to live your passion and solve problems with it.

By living your passion, you are:

1. Becoming resourceful to the world at large.
2. Providing a solution to a problem.
3. Helping people get closer to their dreams.

Learn a Skill

It's of paramount importance that I discuss this here. Even in trying to become our best as young people, it is important that we acquire a skill that can help us help others and earn a living.

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Several times, young people do complain or give excuses about money being their major barrier to achieving utmost impact or affecting their generation. The truth still remains that you must fund your life, vision, dreams, projects etc, to such an extent that people around will see that you are already doing something. At that point you can attract sponsors and partners that will join you.

How do you fund what you do when your parents are not rich and you do not have immediate help? One of the ways to do this is to learn a skill that will sustain you financially while you are working to achieve your dreams. The truth is that not everybody in the mechanic workshop will end up there. Some of them will become top government officials in the nearest future, others will become high ranking business men, and some of them will build business around automobile later in life while others will remain in the mechanic workshop for life. For some, those moments are their moments of transit to a better future, and they needed that experience in order to sustain themselves financially. There is no work that is local, provided you are sighting a bright future which you needed to sustain. You have to take all the challenges associated with that skill but learn it well. It is part of your story...

**-Excerpts from Chapter 7 of our newly released book
“25 Top Secrets for Every Youth”**

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It is important, however, that every young person consciously learns a skill that is associated to his passion. This will help him to achieve more and faster.

Let's take for example a young person who is passionate about writing and/or blogging. Such a person can do well as a copywriter and content developer. If such person furthers to learn the skill of website designing, hosting and developing, he can create his own personal website. He can also commercialize the skill by creating websites for others and getting paid for his skill.

Complacency is Evil

This may sound awkward but I must assure you that there is nothing good about being complacent over an achievement or nothing exactly.

Contentment is awesome but complacency is evil.

This year, I made a decision to write four books. I have written two already and I am still working on the rest. I may end up writing five or six.

In trying to die empty, there is no room for allowing our success to enter our head that we now become so lazy. We must be progressive in all we do.

Last year 2017, our programme here in Enugu State for students and Youths, "[Enugu Readers Summit](#)" witnessed over 500 people in attendance last year. For the past two years, we've been able to reach out to over 1,500 young people through our initiatives both in and outside the country.

You know what?

We are grateful to God for what he is doing through us (we are contented) but we know he is not stopping there with us and we are moving faster and doing more exploits. We aim higher and bigger.

In your journey in life, don't let your successes intimidate or overwhelm you.

It is very easy for young people to rise with a greater determination when they fail than it is when they become overwhelmed by their achievements.

In conclusion, it is important to note that in being ourselves and not imitating others nor comparing our achievements with that of others but tenaciously walking in our own lane, we approach the graveyard with nothing left to enrich it.

Book Recommendation:

Title: [Releasing Your Potential](#)

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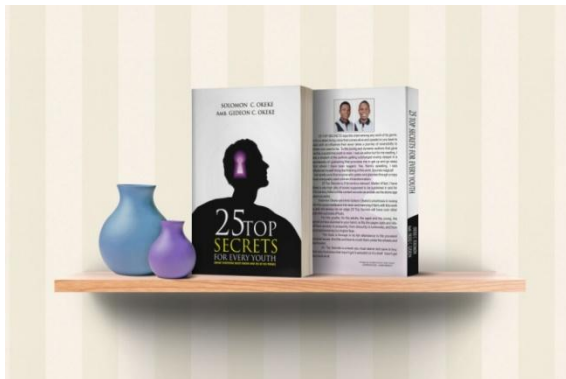
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