“We become what we think about”

Any ideas, plan, or purpose may be placed in the mind through repetition of thought.

Before success in any man’s life he is sure to meet with much temporary defeat and, perhaps, some failure. When defeat overtakes a man, the easiest and most logical thing to do is to quit. That is exactly what the majority of men do.

Create a definite plan for carrying out your desire and begin at once, whether you ready or not, to put this plan into action.

First comes thought; then organization of that thought, into ideas and plans; then transformation of those plans into reality. The beginning, as you will observe, is in your imagination.

If your imagination leads you to understand how quickly people grant your requests when those requests appeal to their self-interest, you can have practically anything you go after.

No one is ready for a thing until he believes he can acquire it.

Success in highest and noblest form calls for peace of mind and enjoyment and happiness which comes only to the man who has found the work he likes best.

When defeat comes, accept it as a signal that your plans are not sound, rebuild those plans, and set sail once more toward your coveted goal.

A primary method for gaining a mind full of peace is to practice emptying the mind.
FAMOUS QUOTES by NORMAN VINCENT PEALE

Action is a great restorer and builder of confidence. Inaction is not only the result, but the cause, of fear. Perhaps the action you take will be successful; perhaps different action or adjustments will have to follow. But any action is better than no action at all.

America cannot be the great nation it was destined to be, unless we restore to it the faith in the old American principle of resourceful, resolute human beings standing as individuals.

Any fact facing us is not as important as our attitude toward it, for that determines our success or failure. The way you think about a fact may defeat you before you ever do anything about it. You are overcome by the fact because you think you are.

Anybody can do just about anything with himself that he really wants to and makes up his mind to do. We are capable of greater things than we realize.

Be interesting, be enthusiastic... and don't talk too much.

Become a possibilitarian. No matter how dark things seem to be or actually are, raise your sights and see possibilities – always see them, for they’re always there. Begin where you are. Begin now.

Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy.

Change your thoughts and you change your world.

Change yourself and your work will seem different.

Christmas waves a magic wand over this world, and behold, everything is softer and more beautiful.

Cushion the painful effects of hard blows by keeping the enthusiasm going strong, even if doing so requires struggle.

Don't take tomorrow to bed with you.

Drop the idea that you are Atlas carrying the world on your shoulders. The world would go on even without you. Don't take yourself so seriously.

Empty pockets never held anyone back. Only empty heads and empty hearts can do that. Every problem has in it the seeds of its own solution. If you don't have any problems, you don't get any seeds.
Formulate and stamp indelibly on your mind a mental picture of yourself as succeeding. Hold this picture tenaciously. Never permit it to fade. Your mind will seek to develop the picture... Do not build up obstacles in your imagination.

Four things for success: work and pray, think and believe.

Get the real A’s in life.

Getting people to like you is merely the other side of liking them.

If you have zest and enthusiasm you attract zest and enthusiasm. Life does give back in kind.

If you paint in your mind a picture of bright and happy expectations, you put yourself into a condition conducive to your goal.

If you put off everything till you’re sure of it, you’ll never get anything done.

Imagination is the true magic carpet.

It is a fact that you project what you are.

It is of practical value to learn to like yourself. Since you must spend so much time with yourself you might as well get some satisfaction out of the relationship.

It’s always too early to quit.

Never say anything to hurt anyone. Moreover... refrain from double talk, from shrewd and canny remarks that are designed to advance our interests at someone’s disadvantage. We are to turn our back upon evil and in every way possible, do good, help people and bring blessings into their lives.

Nothing of great value in this life comes easily. The things of highest value sometimes come hard. The gold that has the greatest value lies deepest in the earth, as do the diamonds.

Once we roared like lions for liberty; now we bleat like sheep for security! The solution for America’s problem is not in terms of big government, but it is in big men over whom nobody stands in control but God.

One of the greatest moments in anybody’s developing experience is when he no longer tries to hide from himself but determines to get acquainted with himself as he really is.

Our happiness depends on the habit of mind we cultivate. So practice happy thinking every day. Cultivate the merry heart, develop the happiness habit, and life will become a continual feast.
Part of the happiness of life consists not in fighting battles, but in avoiding them. A masterly retreat is in itself a victory.

Promises are like crying babies in a theater, they should be carried out at once.

Repetition of the same thought or physical action develops into a habit which, repeated frequently enough, becomes an automatic reflex.

Stand up to your obstacles and do something about them. You will find that they haven't half the strength you think they have.

Start each day by affirming peaceful, contented and happy attitudes and your days will tend to be pleasant and successful.

The average man works his head off to get to the city, where he labors long and hard so that he can hurry back to the country.

The first step is to fill your life with a positive faith that will help you through anything. The second is to begin where you are.

The 'how' thinker gets problems solved effectively because he wastes no time with futile 'ifs'. The Gateway to Christianity is not through an intricate labyrinth of dogma, but by a simple belief in the person of Christ.

The life of inner peace, being harmonious and without stress, is the easiest type of existence.

The mind quickly responds to teaching and discipline. You can make the mind give you back anything you want.

The more you lose yourself in something bigger than yourself, the more energy you will have.

The person who sends out positive thoughts activates the world around him positively and draws back to himself positive results.

The trouble with most of us is that we would rather be ruined by praise than saved by criticism.

There is a real magic in enthusiasm. It spells the difference between mediocrity and accomplishment.

Throw back the shoulders, let the heart sing, let the eyes flash, let the mind be lifted up, look upward and say to yourself... Nothing is impossible!

Through persistence, self-knowledge, prayer, commitment, optimism, a resolute trust in God, and the building of your own personal moral strength, you can enjoy the blessings of a deeper faith, and face the difficulties of life with courage and confidence.
Understanding can overcome any situation, however mysterious or insurmountable it may appear to be.

Watch your manner of speech if you wish to develop a peaceful state of mind. Start each day by affirming peaceful, contented and happy attitudes and your days will tend to be pleasant and successful.

We struggle with the complexities and avoid the simplicities.

We tend to get what we expect.

We’ve all heard that we have to learn from our mistakes, but I think it’s more important to learn from successes. If you learn only from your mistakes, you are inclined to learn only errors.

What seems impossible one minute becomes, through faith, possible the next.

When every physical and mental resource is focused, one’s power to solve a problem multiplies tremendously.

When you pray for anyone you tend to modify your personal attitude toward him.

You can have peace of mind, improved health and an ever-increasing flow of energy. Life can be full of joy and satisfaction.

You will soon break the bow if you keep it always stretched.

Your enthusiasm will be infectious, stimulating and attractive to others. They will love you for it. They will go for you and with you.