



LIVING WITH A PASSION

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In a world where survival entails constant struggles with situations and people, the passion to live may become easily and unavoidably lost. But there are those who manage to stay on top of their game, never letting life's challenges and adversities change their lives irreversibly. These people are still humans; they acknowledge their weaknesses as humans. And yet, they never cease to amaze others with their resilience and self-innovation to be able to come out victorious and strong, no matter what storms hit them. These are the kind of people who have found their passion, and continue to be fuelled by it. Although they find their passions waning, they still take it upon themselves to find that passion again and make it stronger than ever before.

It can be difficult to live life. Although we have been designed to face challenges head on with the kind of intellect that we have, the paths we trod on may not always remain smooth and untouched by complications. Challenges arise at every turn, and more often than not, they do so just when we begin to be complacent and comfortable with our present lot. That is a reality we must all face. That is a fact of life we must all learn to accept.

Some people manage to get by with very little, if any, passion in their own lives. These people live merely because they feel they have to. Their purpose remains hidden from them, and when they do find it, the search is often done too late in the day. More often than not, they find themselves drifting aimlessly, not knowing why they had embarked on the journey in the first place.

But there are those who are lucky enough to know their purpose early in the game, so they spend their lives going for that purpose in earnest, with all the passion that they can muster while doing so. Lucky are such people; though their search may not have absolutely ended, they are still halfway through just by knowing why they have been going on that road, nevertheless.

If you are to live a life worth living, then do everything with a passion. Live each day as if it were the last. Pursue your goals relentlessly, never giving up even when all the chips are down. Have the ones you love as your sources of guidance and inspiration. Pray for strength instead of praying for a lighter load. Whatever circumstances you end up in, those have been created and fashioned exclusively for you. Remember to plan your route along the right paths—this may not always be easy. In fact, it could very well be challenging, but when you live life passionately, you'll find that everything will come readily also.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. Is it easy for you to keep your passion burning constantly? Why or why not?
2. Why is it vital to live life with passion? Explain your answer.
3. Why do some people lose their passion easily?
4. What are the things that make you lose your passion in life?
5. Can you equate success with a lot a passion? Why or why not?