



DISCOVERING YOUR POTENTIAL – IGNITING THE GENIUS WITHIN

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Wouldn't you agree with me that you would want to delve deeper and try discovering your potential by igniting the genius within you? If you feel that you are stuck in life and would want to unblock whatever obstruction hindering your way, then maybe you need to have an inspiration for you to learn more about your full potentials. More often than not it is easiest for us to discover what we really do best or what are the things that you love and the tasks that you actually do well without even trying. Come to think of it, what are the things that make your heart beat faster by just even the thought of it? What do you fervently dream about and long to do in life?

Looking back around you, like in the past as a child, there are things or activities that you love to do specifically. We have always been dreaming of doing great deeds and of course to live a great life. Yes, inconsequentially, our dreams and ambitions hold the clues about what our potentials are. These exceptional abilities that every individual possess creates that genius within us. Unknowingly, there are things that we do best that just come naturally to us but we find others struggle with. When in fact these are the things that we are intuitively great at, coming naturally to point and define our potentials.

We are all born with innate potentials so we could achieve and produce extraordinary things. Potential is the ability and invisible resources that empowers a person to do and achieve what that individual is designed for. Some people are faced with the dilemma of its ignorance with regards to their potentials making them unable to function to the best of their ability. For this reason, it is crucial to discover and harness your potential so you could succeed in life. One way of uncovering it is to discover your purpose because it activates your innate capabilities. Maximize your potential by living a life with a purpose.

It is also imperative that you should discover your passion for it has the proclivity to unleash your potential which is your hidden abilities. For you to maximize your potential, find out what you love to do and facilitate a plan in achieving it. Another key to discover it is to take action, because you will never realize what you are capable of doing not until you take act on it. Some people have the wrong notion of not pursuing their objectives just because they surmise that they do not have what it takes to achieve their aspirations in life, but in reality, they are not taking action in the direction of their anticipated expectations. You will be amazed that you've got what it takes to achieve what you really wanted to do if only you do your due diligence to take action with what you really know and information that you have gleaned from great minds.

We are all loaded with unending capabilities to achieve our God-given dream. Nevertheless your potential will remain dormant not unless you discover and learn to harness it. So as not to be disappointed, take that step and act on it today and don't dilly-dally. Heading on these keys will set your foot to do your part on discovering your potential, thus igniting the genius within you.

Questions for discussion:

1. Have you discovered your potential? How?
2. Do you believe that unleashing your potential is uncovering the genius that is within you? Justify your answer.
3. Would you rather remain futile as to not discover your potential or go out of your way to do everything to find it out? Explain your answer.
4. What are your true potentials? Elaborate on your answer.
5. Have you discovered your God-given abilities by this time and have you learned about your potential? How?