

Life Lessons

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Brief Introduction

Dear Friends,

- **Myself CA Rakesh Agrawal from Pune, Maharashtra, India**
- **I am in the field of coaching since 1991.**
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- **I am also an All India Rank Holder in CA Final Exams.**

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- I had a habit of sharing one life lesson with my students every day.
- Some of the students liked it and gave me an idea of sharing my views and experiences through You Tube Channel with the general public.
- I liked that suggestion and hence this video is created for you all.

Brief Introduction

- I plan to share 10 life lessons in one video. This is the first one.
- If you like and appreciate my views, please share it with others.
- If you have any suggestions for improvement, please write to me through comments & reviews on You Tube.

Brief Introduction

- Friends, I don't have TV at my home. Instead I have two library on two different floors.
- My free time generally gets consumed in reading academic and non-academic books.
- The thoughts shared by me here are influenced by my general reading and my own experiences.

Life Lessons # 1 to 10

- A request :
- Please read it slowly, carefully and think about it to absorb the meaning.
- If it is worth implementing in real life, then please try to implement it.

Life Lesson # 1

- God is great. He has crafted human being of so many varieties. I don't know how many moulds he possess. Every individual person on this planet is unique. No two individual persons are exactly identical in look, style, intelligence, nature, habits etc.
- Moreover, no person is 100% perfect. Every person has some pluses and minuses. But very often, we waste considerable time in comparing different individuals.
- Instead, identify and take one plus point from every individual and try to increase your own score.

Life Lesson # 2

- ‘**TODAY**’ is the greatest gift of God to **YOU**. Not everyone who went to sleep last night woke up this morning. The very fact you did, some force above still thinks you are worthy of another ‘Today’.
- So make your today as productive as you can. Today is the first day of the rest of your life. Value ‘Today’ and make it more valuable. In that sense, ‘Today’ is an eternal gift of God to you.
- Pray, “Oh my lord, this day of mine is your gift unto me and the way I live this day will be my gift unto you.”

Life Lesson # 3

- When you choose to drive, you have to accept traffic jams. When you choose to do C.A., you have to sweat. With income will come income tax. Anything you choose in life comes along with its own inherent positives and negatives. Don't ask for a trouble free blessed life.
- Only if you are willing to be chiselled, you will become the idol worthy of being worshipped. After all, there has to be a difference between a history reader and a history maker.
- If you are feeling the heat of life, remember that you are getting transformed into gold. Life isn't a furnace that's burning you, but one that's transforming you into glittering gold.

Life Lesson # 4

- If you are happy in life right now, it's not because everything about your life is necessarily going right, but because a relationship that really matters to you the most is going great. If you are unhappy in life right now, it's not because everything about your life is going wrong, but because a relationship that really matters to you the most is not going great.
- Relationships are like seeds. They have to be nurtured and developed. Expectations are like weeds. They grow on their own accord. Dig them out.
- Relationship is like a saving account. Keep depositing more and more in this account i.e. invest your quality time to build your reserve. Don't try to overdraw from this account.

Life Lesson # 5

- For our children, we are the only Koran they will read in their lifetime; the only Vedas they will see; the only Bible they will experience; the only Dharma they will follow.
- Your life will either serve as a Warning or as an Example for them.
- I know it is an awesome responsibility, but how else can you explain why you came into this planet before them?

Life Lesson # 6

- The husband gifted a new car to his wife on her birthday. The very next day, car met with an accident, when she was going to her office.
- When she told the incidence to her husband on phone, he replied “don’t worry, it is YOU that I love and not the Car.”
- Blessed are those who have understood that they should be loving people and using things, and not loving things and using people.

Life Lesson # 7

- It does not matter how much we have, but what really matters is what we do with what we have.
- We cannot do much to change what we have, but we can certainly change the way we use what we have.
- A pawn (in the game of chess), if used well, will become the queen.

Life Lesson # 8

- Very often, 80% of consequences flow from 20% of causes, 80% of results come from 20% of effort, the opinion of 20% defines 80% of the society, 20% of customers contribute to 80% of our profitability and 80% of the question paper comes from 20% of the syllabus. This is known as 80 : 20 rule, discovered by Vilfredo Pareto, an Italian economist.
- Joseph Juran referred to this 20% as the 'vital few' and the 80% as the 'trivial many'. Focus on the 20% vital few and ignore 80% trivial many to improve your productivity.

Life Lesson # 9

- Very often, we waste lot of our time in guiding and advising others. It is our way of expressing our love and concern for others. But, very often it is treated as interference by the other party.
- We keep advising our children, spouse, neighbours, friends etc. In return, we notice that these people have started avoiding us.
- Though the intentions may be noble, sometimes our attempt to guide people, especially unasked for, make them feel not respected. The need to be respected is far greater than the need to be guided.
- Make others feel respected...let this be your choice. They will take your guidance...let this be their choice.

Life Lesson # 10

- To live is to live fearlessly. When you have nothing to hide, you have nothing to avoid.
- True freedom is found only in transparent living.
- The greatest compliment one can give oneself is to declare, “I am an open book”.

Thank you !

Please share it if you like it.