



MOVE ON TODAY 2

Additional elements to magnetize your vision

1. **Seek critique:** If everyone agrees with you, chances are you're not talking to enough people, or you're only talking to family and friends and they want to be supportive, not negative.

Start with a phrase like "I've been considering an idea and would like your thoughts. What do you like about the idea and what do you think might be a challenge?" You need to be ready to justify your idea to strengthen your plan and prepare yourself to present the benefits that will overcome their concerns, spoken or unspoken. Ask for critique openly. When you do, you communicate confidence.

2. **Design your plan:** You need an orderly, step by step process to move toward fulfilling your vision. This process must be very clear and specific. This is the process where your lists have given birth to lists that have given birth to lists, and so on. The first list of at least 21 items you heard about in the recording take the shape of plans and goals, and things to do TODAY. Life will get in the way and the vision will get scrambled into other things, so your plan will help to keep you focused. Organization will help you know where to add other ideas and support materials and information easily. Once you have begun the vision process, you will find that you begin to experience the world around you differently.

You will see things and hear things that will relate to your vision that you would not have experienced until now. Once you begin to make your lists and create your plans, your mind will automatically begin to help you identify things that build on your ideas. You will begin to see things that relate to your vision and hear ideas that guide greater understanding of the impact of your vision. I encourage you to see your lists and plans as a means of opening yourself up to the much larger world that your vision can influence and enjoy.

3. **Affirming Accountability:** Gather around yourself at least one person that you can bounce ideas off of so that you can get quality feedback and additional ideas. A person or group of perhaps 3 to 5 people, who can be honest and positive, yet will expect you to perform by the deadlines you have committed

to. They affirm you, and also provide accountability for performance. They will also bring clarity back to your thinking when things get scrambled by negative distraction or even positive activity.

4. **Change, today: Today's intentional activity will change today and tomorrow.** There will be days when the best you can muster is a simple, small thing. I recall one day being so overwhelmed with the normal responsibilities of the day that I had to look for at least a small thing that I could do toward the vision plan of getting my materials and notes organized that day. I thought, I'm going to do something, so I placed hole-punched paper in my binder where I was putting my lists, ideas, and contact notes. That one small thing was my way of saying, no matter what; I am doing something **today** to move my vision forward. Since creating the binder was part of my detailed plan, tomorrow I won't have to put the paper in the binder. Now I can start the day fulfilling the vision because that part of the plan was done **today**. That small step changed my tomorrow.

I've also learned another way to look at "*my action today changes tomorrow*" is to realize I must acknowledge that tomorrow I will need to be flexible to allow for changing or adjusting my plan tomorrow. Don't expect things to stay static, or they won't be flexible. Hold your plan loosely so you can handle the changes needed to bring your vision to fulfillment.

Let's talk: What 2 obstacles are you currently facing that frustrate you and keep you from realizing your vision?

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