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### **A Daily Prayer**

*(Adapted from The Greatest Salesman in the World by Og Mandino)*

- Oh Creator of all things, help me. For this day I go out into the world naked and alone, and without your hand to guide me I will wander far from the path which leads to success and happiness.
- I ask not for gold or garments or even opportunities equal to my ability; instead, guide me so that I may acquire ability equal to my opportunities.
- You have taught the lion and the eagle how to hunt and prosper with teeth and claw. Teach me how to hunt with words and prosper with love so that I may be a lion among people and an eagle in the market place.
- Help me to remain humble through obstacles and failures; yet hide not from mine eyes the prize that will come with victory.
- Assign me tasks to which others have failed; yet guide me to pluck the seeds of success from their failures. Confront me with fears that will temper my spirit; yet endow me with courage to laugh at my misgivings.
- Spare me sufficient days to reach my goals; yet help me to live this day as though it be my last.
- Guide me in my words that they may bear fruit; yet silence me from gossip that none be maligned.
- Discipline me in the habit of trying and trying again; yet show me the way to make use of the law of averages. Favor me with alertness to recognize opportunity; yet endow me with patience which will concentrate my strength.
- Bathe me in good habits that the bad ones may drown; yet grant me compassion for weakness in others. Suffer me to know that all things shall pass; yet help me to count my blessings today.
- Expose me to hate so it not be a stranger; yet fill my cup with love to turn strangers into friends.
- But all these things be only if Thy will. I am a small and a lonely grape clutching the vine yet though hast made me different from all others. Verily, there must be a special place for me. Help me. Show me the way.
- Let me become all you planned for me when my seed was planted and selected by you to sprout in the vineyard of the world. Help this humble servant.