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Climbing Life's Mountains

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My Moto For Climbing Life's Mountains

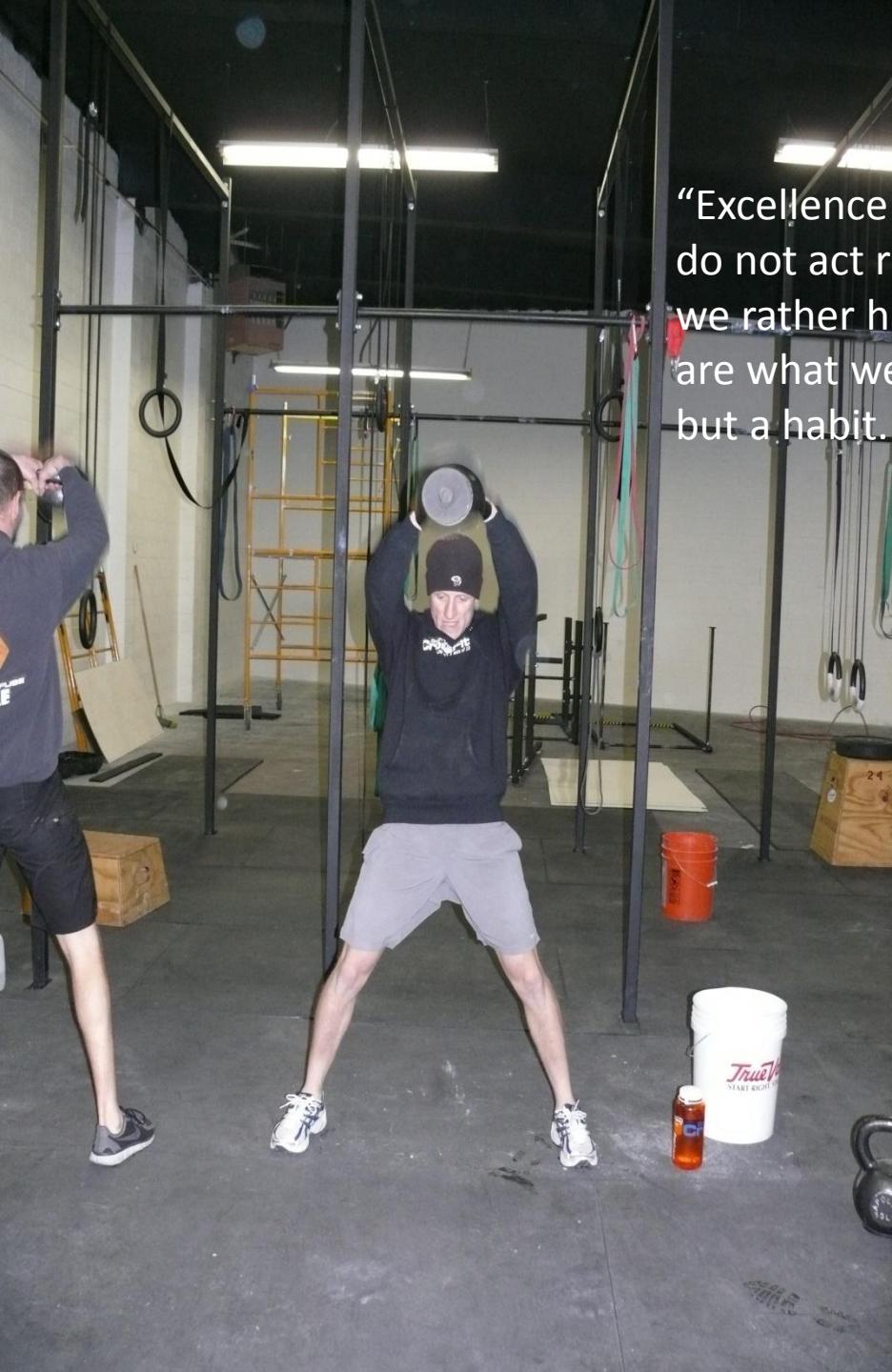
"It is not the critic who counts: not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errors and comes up short again and again, but who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spends himself for a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows, in the end, the triumph of high achievement, and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who knew neither victory nor defeat."

Teddy Roosevelt



Training & Practice

“Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. We do not act rightly because we have virtue or excellence, but we rather have those because we have acted rightly. We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit. “ Aristotle



Preparation

“Success always comes when preparation meets opportunity.” Henry Hartman



A photograph of a rugged mountain landscape. In the foreground, several hikers with backpacks are walking along a rocky path. To the right, a river flows through a bed of rocks. Green shrubs and small trees are scattered throughout the scene. The background features towering, rocky mountains under a clear blue sky.

Risk

“The journey of a thousand miles
begins with one step.” Lao Tzu

Work Ethic

“I'm a great believer in luck and I find the harder I work, the more I have of it. “ Thomas Jefferson



Team Work

**“It is amazing how much you can accomplish
when it doesn't matter who gets the credit.”**
Unknown



Patience

“Patience is waiting. Not passively waiting. That is laziness. But to keep going when the going is hard and slow - that is patience.”



A photograph of a group of climbers at a high-altitude campsite. In the foreground, a climber wearing a black hoodie and sunglasses is crouching, looking towards the camera. Behind them, another climber in a red jacket and sunglasses is sitting on the ground, holding a small device. To the right, a large blue and white tent is set up on a rocky, snowy slope. Another climber in a red jacket is sitting near the tent entrance. The background shows more tents and the rugged, snowy terrain of a mountain peak.

Friendship

“Life is partly what we make it, and partly what it is made by the friends we choose.” Tennessee Williams

Living In The Moment

“Don't let the past steal your present.” Terri Guillemets



A photograph of a person in silhouette, wearing a dark jacket and a backpack, standing on a snowy mountain slope. The sun is low in the sky, casting a warm orange glow over the snow and creating long shadows. The person is looking towards the horizon.

Adversity

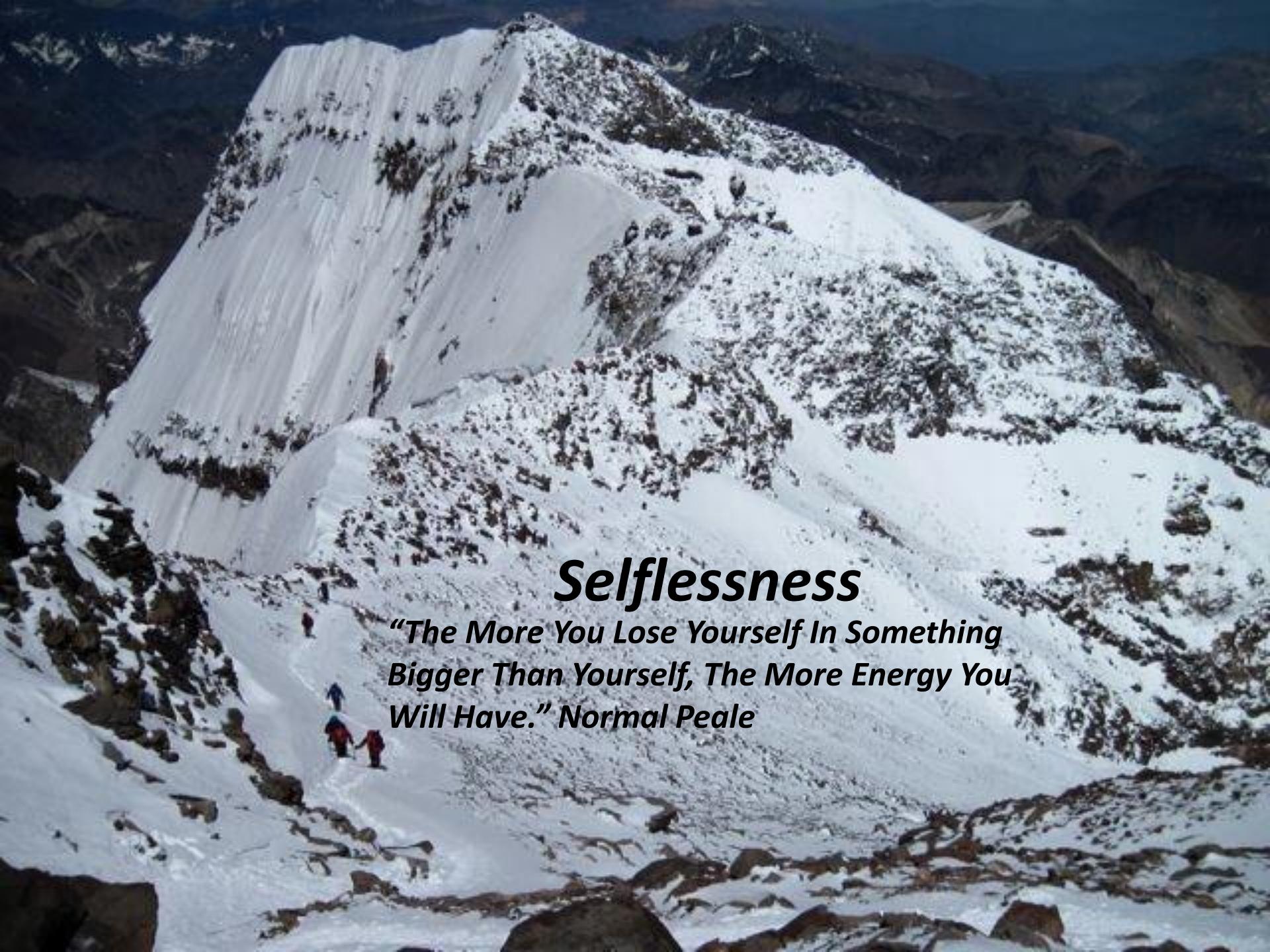
“Pain is inevitable. Suffering is optional.”

M. Kathleen Casey



Humility

**“Mountains have a way of dealing
with overconfidence.” Hermann Buhl**

A wide-angle photograph of a majestic, snow-capped mountain peak. The mountain's surface is a mix of bright white snow and dark, rocky outcrops. Several climbers in colorful gear are scattered across the lower slopes, appearing as small figures against the vast, rugged terrain.

Selflessness

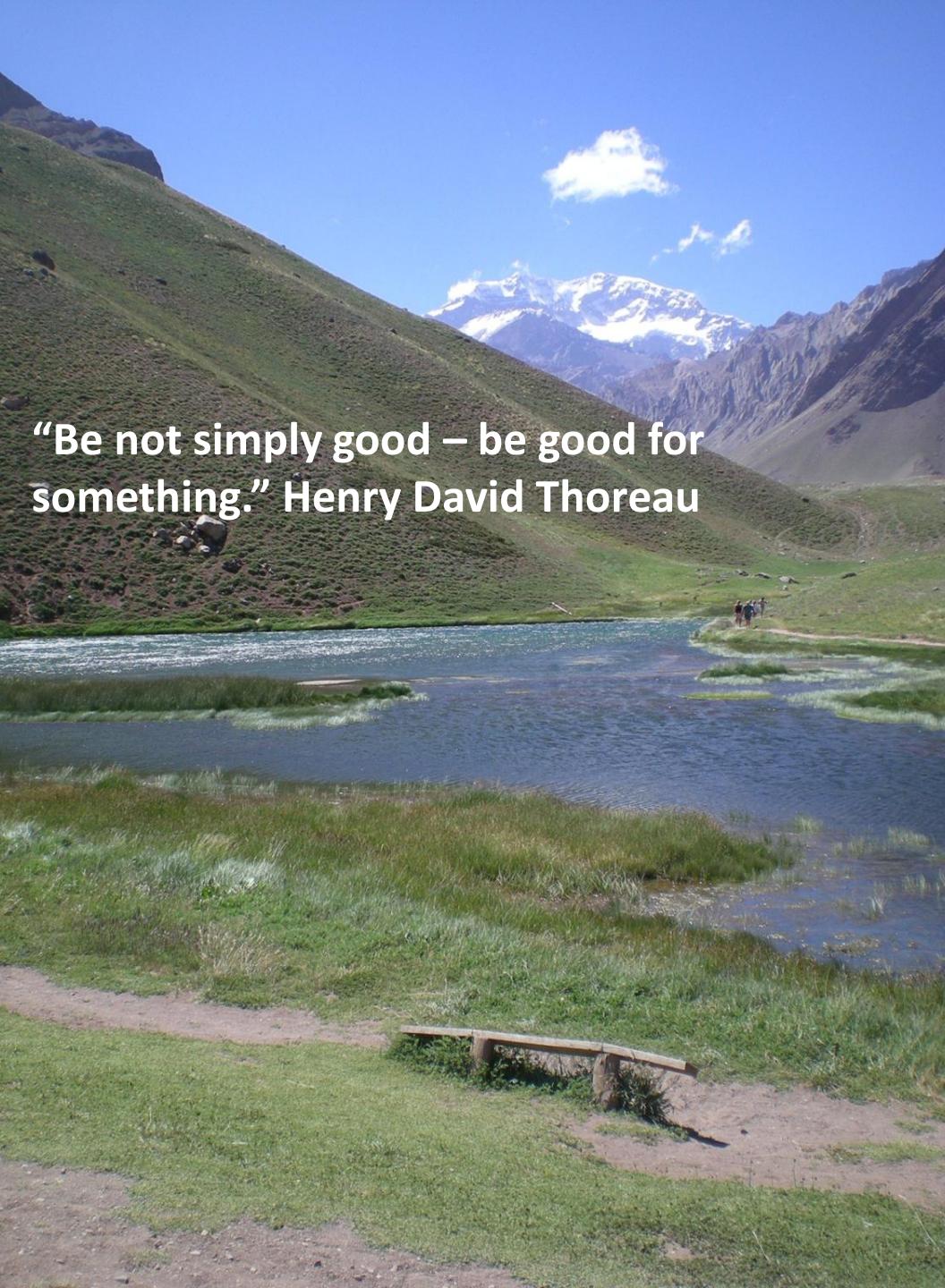
*“The More You Lose Yourself In Something
Bigger Than Yourself, The More Energy You
Will Have.” Normal Peale*

Perseverance

"Only those that risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go."

T.S. Eliot



A scenic mountain landscape featuring a winding river flowing through a valley. The valley slopes are covered in green grass and patches of snow. In the background, a majestic mountain range with snow-capped peaks rises against a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds.

“Be not simply good – be good for something.” Henry David Thoreau

Take notice that none of the slides addressed fame, wealth, power, vanity or Pride. Life's mountains reward genuine character and passion.

"Again and again I therefore admonish my students in Europe and America: Don't aim at success – the more you aim at it and make it a target, the more you are going to miss it. For success, like happiness, cannot be pursued; it must ensue, and it only does so as the unintended side effect of one's personal dedication to a cause greater than oneself or as the by-product of one's surrender to a person other than oneself.

Happiness must happen, and the same holds for success: you have to let it happen by not caring about it. I want you to listen to what your conscience commands you to do and go on to carry it out to the best of your knowledge. Then you will live to see that in the long-run – in the long-run, I say! – success will follow you precisely because you had forgotten to think about it." Dr. Viktor Frankl

