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# The Positive Perspective

ENTHUSIASTIC ENCOURAGEMENT FOR POSITIVE ACTION.

***"If the goal is worth the reward, be prepared to take the steps necessary to get there."***

**- Bob Brumm**

## Life



Reminder - It's here! My latest book – **"Life Don't Owe You Nothin'".**

This book was created as a short, blunt, "in-your-face" type of reminder book. A reminder of personal responsibility values that will help

everyone achieves better results once applied. This is a reminder for some, and hope and encouragement for others.

This book was created to enlighten our future leaders about these ideas and encourage people to make the effort to increase their value through life experiences and the ability to share and apply that knowledge for the benefit of all.

Are you active in life? Do you take the time to enjoy daily activities or learn and grow from "experiences" you have? Perhaps issues arise and you have been knocked down or hurt by choices. We all can learn and grow from life events.

I choose to learn and grow with a positive perspective around life events and the calluses on my hands from the work, seem to help.

**How Can I Serve You?**



## Growing Ourselves & Others

**How are you growing yourself?** This month I read **"Capital Gains"** by Chip Gaines. An insightful look at the life and growth of Chip and Joanna Gaines's business, and how they look at family first and treating people as friends.

**As I grow, I want to remind you; if you're looking for Enthusiastic Encouragement for an upcoming event,** (Commencements, Corporate Conferences, staff development, PTA, Team Meetings, or professional coaching), **contact me at** [info@bobbrumm.com](mailto:info@bobbrumm.com) Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter or [www.bobbrumm.com](http://www.bobbrumm.com). I am always willing to "Inspire Audacity".

# Opportunity

An article from the thoughts of  
**Bob Brumm**

I hope you enjoyed the last article **Thanks**.

Well it is here, December! We have all heard the shock in people's voices as they say "Where did this year go?" Did it go by as another page on the calendar turned without a thought of daily tasks, meetings and birthday parties? Or did it go by with life events that added to the name of the day or month with excitement and vigor?

I find it amusing each year, people say they aren't ready for Christmas. It comes the same time every year.

They key is not to live in regret of missed opportunities, rather the opportunities to see the value in every day. If we wake up, we are still here to live our purpose. When you hear that alarm clock, it means it is time to look and live that opportunity.

Yes, I know "life will get in the way", we have bills to pay, jobs to work and make sure the kids have everything ready for school and get to all their practices, appointments and games. But take a moment to realize the value you provide them, and the opportunity to have to spend some time with your kids. Even if it is changing their school cloths to soccer uniform in the car.

As my kids have gotten older, I certainly remember the

craziness of multi-practice nights and doing all kinds of things. Now as they have gotten older, the house is much more quiet and I am not using up all my gas. The way you get to see your kids after they move out is to invite them to eat. A dinner invitation always gets a quick response.

Christmas time offers us a time to gather and appreciate family and friends. Take the time and talk to each other, not about the weather, aches and pains or sports, but find out more about what has been going on with their life, let others talk more than you so you can hear them. Is one of the quotes listen in this newsletter states; **"When people talk listen completely. Most people never listen."**

I have been guilty of this quite a bit as the business of what may be going on takes precedence. Then I get home from the store and forget something someone had asked for because I didn't listen. For this I am sorry. I can still hear my 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Shannon Ross and my father saying, "You need to slow down."

I will do that this year. Slow Down. What I have missed and the stress I cause by not listening is not good and I am sorry. However, each morning I get to hear the alarm go off, so I still have opportunity in front of me. And so do you. Opportunity to hear the greatness of others and what is happening in their life. Opportunity to help someone see the greatness they have within themselves and the opportunity they have.

This time of year, is always a good time to share the opportunity of a new birth in your life. Just as the birth of Christ offered mankind hope. Go to a Christmas service to hear the hope and opportunity or invite someone to a Christmas service.

Hope, Joy and Miracles do happen all year and we need to look for them or slow down enough to see them. This time of year is a reminder of the hope and opportunity we have in our world.

I encourage you to live your hope with others and share your gifts.

**HOW CAN I SERVE YOU?**

## ENCOURAGING WORDS:



"On this path, it is only the first step that counts."

**St. Jean-Baptiste-Marie Vianney**

"Always laugh when you can. It is cheap medicine."

**Lord Byron**

"When people talk, listen completely. Most people never listen."

**Ernest Hemmingway**

"Learning is a treasure that will follow its owner everywhere."

**Chinese Proverb**

"The sun never stops shining, sometimes you just need to look beyond the clouds to find it."

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