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Introduction

Odds are you have a job. I'm sorry. My condolences go out to you, your family, and your friends. There is no such thing as "job security." If you are employed by another person and you are making even \$300,000 per year, you are broke (money with no freedom is just as broke as freedom with no money). The odds of you getting a divorce and/or having other family problems are astronomical. And your ability to make an impact on your family name (in a positive way) is pretty much non-existent. Matter of fact, if you are under the age of 60 and employed, chances are you will actually die at your place of employment. (Just like you always dreamed, I'm sure.) The reason I wrote this book is because when it comes down to it, I don't want you to die without having the best life possible.

There are millions of people, who due to fate have very little control over their situation—the mentally handicapped, the infirmed, those who live in nations without freedom, and those who died "too young."

Here you are, obviously, not dead, able to read, think, and reason. You probably don't have a debilitating condition. This means you do have control over the situation, control over the course your life takes. The question is, why are you not living the life you are capable of living? Why do you choose to suck up to your boss as opposed to take that dream vacation or live in that dream home?

There are too many mothers and fathers who die without spending enough quality time with their children. An untold number of people suffer depression, alcohol and drug use by the onset of stress caused by employment and lack of money. Around you there are bucket lists without check marks, broken relationships left broken, and too many people living in situations that they would not live in if they had the choice. The list goes on and on, but you get the point.

Look, let's be honest. There are going to be "experts" who will say this book is just a load of bull crap. Let the "experts" come, because at the end of the day all that really matters is how well you sleep at night. If this book helps one person find a path to a life filled with time, money, freedom, and great relationships, it is worth all the worthless criticism this book may bring.

Don't spend what little time you have left in this world wasting it. You don't get a "do over" and there is only security found in risk (that's deep, too deep for an intro).

Every minute you have left is valuable. Every choice you make will either take you further from or closer to the life you want. With that in mind, take down your defenses; there is nobody here except for you and me. No need to hold on to ego or status, no need to get defensive. Instead, read the book. Look at yourself and the world around you. Think logically without prejudice and you will find this to be one of the most liberating experiences of your life (so far).

Chapter One:

Forbes 400

The details don't matter as much as what I discovered, so suffice it to say, school and I did not see eye to eye. How does this relate to the Forbes 400? Well, I'm glad you asked. One day I noticed the teachers were instructing me and my fellow students the way to make sure you have a successful and happy life. I thought this instruction was kind of odd since they were telling a few hundred unique individuals ONE way to happiness. How on earth can one path lead to happiness for hundreds of people with different dreams, wants, talents, desires, and opportunities? It cannot.

So what was this one answer they were giving to all of us? Go to college, get good grades, get a good job and that will give you a good life. That was it. Looking back at that now I realize that NONE of the things that make a good life and certainly nothing that makes a great life is in their equation. Where is the purpose and passion? Where's the happiness found in having a great home life with family? Where was the adventure in exploring your potential? Love, where is the love, for goodness sake?

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As their instruction played over and over again in my head, it was like walking into my home and noticing something is a bit "off," but I just couldn't tell what it was, like a crooked picture on the wall. For about 3 days, I couldn't figure it out.

(For the sake of protecting the innocent, we will call my teacher "Mr. Smith".)

I found myself walking through a grocery store and my mom asked me to find some pasta. So like any good son, I embark on my mission. Not finding what I am looking for I do what every man does, I stop and ask for directions.

Walking past the meat department, I see a store worker. You know the look: the paper hat, the shirt with a name tag and that classic apron. I say, "Excuse me, sir. Can you help me?" Mr. Smith (my teacher) turns around, and he has the look of a sad little dog as he says, "The pasta is down isle 3, and it's on sale this week."

That was it! That's the crooked picture on the wall! Mr. Smith and everyone who did what Mr. Smith was instructing us to do to have a great life had, in fact, the kind of life I never want.

(Now, just let me make something very clear here. I have great respect for Mr. Smith. It takes a real man to swallow his pride and take on a very honorable job in a grocery store to make ends meet for his family. While not a good example of how to achieve victory at that time, he was a perfect example of how to step up to the plate and be a real man. If any women are reading this and your husband, who you have been disappointed in, is taking on "low" jobs to make sure the family is warm and fed, grow up and be happier [notice I said happier] with your man. I have great respect for the women out there who are doing what they need to do to get the job done also.)

By now you probably forgot all about the Fortune 400 list. I knew happiness wasn't all about the money (money only empowers you to be more of the good or bad that you are), but I knew that money was a big part of it. As a teen, it was probably the only measuring stick I had.

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After seeing Mr. Smith at the grocery store it really made me think, so I broke out my copy of the Forbes 400 list of the richest Americans. Can you guess what I found? **None of them had a job.**

(Let's take a second and let that sink in.)

Yep, none of them had a job. Matter of fact, there were then, and still are, quite a few people on that list including the one at the top, who didn't even have a college education. One of them only made it to the 8th grade.

So what did I do? I went to my teacher with the list and said with sincere respect (since I figured out he was just following the path someone told him), "There are 300 million people in this country, all of them going through life the way you are teaching us students. None of them have made it on this list. If even an ounce of what you are teaching was true, someone would have lucked out and ended up here, and they haven't. I think we have been lied to."

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There I was with this list of people who knew how to make money and none of them did it the way that every adult in my life was telling me to do it. Discover why you have a 98% chance of being poor by your 65th birthday if you are an employee. Find the courage to take the steps necessary to gain freedom for you and your family. Exposing the lie of employment.

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