

# CHASING THE EAGLE

## *From Dreaming To Achieving Success & Freedom*



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### INTRODUCTION

First, let me begin by thanking you for the decision to travel this journey with me. My guess is that you too may have been at a crossroads in your life of defining success for yourself. Maybe you've had major success in your career yet felt a void in your life. Success without freedom, in my opinion is a life yet unfulfilled. Another way to put it is:

#### **SUCCESS + FREEDOM = FULFILLMENT**

Over the past 10 years, I've had the pleasure of meeting very successful people. The names are far too many but there are a few that I've met that have had a huge impact on me. They are:

- George C. Fraser
- Dan Poynter
- Les Brown
- Fran Tarkington
- Harland Stonecipher
- Paul J. Meyer
- Dave Ramsey
- Willie Jolley
- Brian Tracy
- Jim Rohn
- Dr. Randal Pinkett
- President Bill Clinton
- The Whispers

Now I know the last set of names may have thrown you off, but those who know me personally are not surprised to know that I'm a HUGE fan of this musical singing group. Each time I've witnessed their live performances, I can only describe this dynamic group as magical! I once had the opportunity not only to meet them, but to have a group photo taken with them. I was so awestruck, that my wife served as my interpreter in asking for their autograph, as well as a group photo. She was able to translate my mute demeanor to them with ease: "My husband is a big fan of yours and has all of your CDs. He even sings some of your signature songs at local events". They were really cool with the whole encounter and granted my wife's request. Today, I still have that photo with signatures from each corresponding artist. It was a great experience.

I mention the names above because the common denominator that they all share is that not only are they successful in their own right, but these individuals have a sense of freedom that is displayed in their particular craft.

Contrastly, I've met an equal number of successful people, including several millionaires. Their names will remain anonymous, but I can tell you that they did not seem to exude the same energy. I can only imagine that they had a mattress filled with checks not yet cashed. All the while, these individuals were totally unhappy and demonstrated what would appear to be a life of stress.

I once recall a mentor of mine articulating the correlation between success, philosophy and one's value system. He stated that having more money only magnifies who you are. The example he used was if a person possessed little money but had a drinking problem, having more money would ultimately send him to rehab. He would become more of what he already was.

The point I'd like to drive home is success is defined by who you are, but more importantly, who you wish to become. Would you rather be an instant millionaire or become a millionaire? I'd say the process of becoming a millionaire would be a character-building process vice just purchasing a winning lotto ticket.

After studying concepts of wealth and abundance for over a decade, I have come to realize how to create more wealth and abundance in my life, effortlessly.

I've read so many self-help books, attended conferences, completed exercises and have learned from some of the best "gurus" you may have heard about on *Oprah* or online. You may have purchased their books and followed their websites, but maybe you need more support to actually put their concepts into action. Now that they have become "celebrity gurus", the main challenge for most people is keeping up with the costs required to work with them. It can be worth the money you may spend. However, there are so many people who really want access to this knowledge who can't afford \$1,200 – \$5,000 to study with celebrity gurus. You don't have to. You already have the knowledge and I can help you to bring it out where it will be useful.

I spent the last 10 years of my life testing the principles I will share with you. A budding author, entrepreneur, corporate professional, military officer, graduate student, husband and father, I have learned that anyone can have a life of success and freedom. I've conducted workshops, lead teams, and have carefully incorporated my successes and failures in this book. As for my failures, I don't wish for you to repeat them. This book also incorporates helpful tool kits, articles, and resources customized for the new business owner. I recently tested the tools and techniques that I created to confirm how quickly positive changes can occur. The results were a quality of life that I could not have imagined given my childhood experiences. I challenge you to put into action the tools you are ready to work with and see the results unfold in your life!

If after reading this book, you remain uncertain that you are ready to move forward, consider this: you have nothing to lose by choosing this path – you have much to gain. It depends on you!

This book is by no means a manual for becoming a millionaire for money spends very quickly. This book serves as a resource to provide you with the same tools that I was able to use to meet my goals and objectives. By the way, there were equally as many disappointments that I had to overcome to reach them. Likewise there were many victories on my way to reaching success and freedom.

Again, thank you for choosing this book to read. Enjoy!