

PRINCIPLES OF SUCCESS

Chapter 8: **TO WIVES** (pgs. 104-121)

The first principle of success is that **you should never be angry**. (111:1)

Patience and good temper are most necessary (111:1)

you should never tell him what he must do (111:2)

have a full and useful life (111:3)

Do not set your heart on reforming (111:3)

reasonableness and patience (111:4)

Be sure you are not critical (111:4)

put yourself in his place (111:4)

be helpful rather than critical (111:4)

(Show him you) have confidence (112:0)

Share your enthusiasm (113:2)

you should not crowd him (113:2)

urge action without arousing hostility (113:2)

be on guard not to embarrass or harm (115:1)

courage, good nature and lack of self-consciousness will do wonders
(115:2)

it is best not to take sides in any argument (115:3) >>> **Use your energies to promote a better understanding all around** (115:3)

be careful not to be resentful (116:0)

As (we) began to apply spiritual principles... (we) began to see the desirability of doing so (116:2)

put spiritual principles to work in every department of our lives (116:3)

faith and sincerity ... should be regarded as part of your education, for thus you will be learning to live (117:2)

be careful not to disagree in a resentful or critical spirit (117:3)

avoid disagreement or contention (118:1)

***Patience, tolerance, understanding and love* are the watchwords** (118:2)

Live and let live (118:2)

show a willingness to remedy your own defects (118:2)

Be patient (118:3)

When resentful thoughts come, try to pause and count your blessings (119:0)

Cooperate, rather than complain (119:2)

Sense of responsibility for others (120:0)

think of what you can put into life instead of how much you can take out
(120:0)

You need not remind him of his spiritual deficiency (120:1)

Cheer him up and ask him how you can *be still more helpful* (120:1)

never try to arrange a man's life (120:3)

place the problem, along with everything else, in God's hands (120:3)

Chapter 9: **THE FAMILY AFTERWARD** (pgs. 122-135)

meet upon the common ground of *tolerance, understanding and love*
(122:1)

This involves a process of deflation (122:1)

he shouldn't be reproached (123:3)

willingness to face and rectify errors and convert them into assets (124:1)

(a) **painful past may be of infinite value to other(s)** (124:2) >>>

(b) **be ... willing to bring former mistakes, no matter how grievous, out of their hiding places** (124:2) >>>

(c) **unless some good and useful purpose is to be served, past occurrences should not be discussed** (125:0)

Cling to the thought that, in God's hands, the dark past is the greatest possession you have – the key to life and happiness for others. With it you can avert death and misery for them. (124:2)

We do talk about each other a great deal, but we almost invariably temper such talk by a spirit of love and tolerance. (125:1)

we do not relate intimate experiences of another person unless we are sure he would approve. (125:2)

stick to our own stories (125:2)

be thankful (127:0)

praise his progress (127:0)

there is tolerance, love, and spiritual understanding. (127:0)

material well-being always followed spiritual progress; it never preceded (127:1)

show unselfishness and love (127:2)

be constructive ... without heated argument, self-pity, self-justification or resentful criticism. (127:3)

Giving, rather than getting, will become the guiding principle (128:0)

(Meet) ... responsibilities gallantly (130:3)

yield here and there (131:2)

play an *effective* part in the new life (131:2)

activity should be balanced (131:2)

thoughtful consideration given their needs (131:2)

As non-denominational people, we cannot make up others' minds for them. Each individual should consult his own conscience. (132:0)

find new avenues of usefulness and pleasure (132:0 L3)

...bring new hope and new courage (132:0 L5)

We absolutely insist on enjoying life (132:1)

try not to indulge in cynicism (132:1)

nor do we carry the world's troubles on our shoulders (132:1)

When we see a man sinking into the mire that is alcoholism, we give him first aid and place what we have at his disposal. (132:1)

cheerfulness and laughter make for usefulness (132:2)

be happy, joyous, and free (133:0)

Avoid then, the deliberate manufacture of misery, but if trouble comes, cheerfully capitalize it as an opportunity to demonstrate His omnipotence. (133:0)

never belittle (133:2)

***First Things First
Live and Let Live
Easy Does It.*** (135:4)