



Soar Like an Eagle

Inspired by David G. Miller, a motivational speaker of the DMG Group whom I had the pleasure to hear speaking on or around May 19, 2016 at my detaining facility.

Mr. Miller's vision, presentation and testimony mirror so many things in my personal life. So yes I was intrigued.

Some keywords that were used during Mr. Miller's presentation were writing, family, the cemetery, eagles, vision, and the realities of life's starting lines based on race.

The latter was most interesting because Mr. Miller himself is (African American & Caucasian) biracial.

As quoted Mr. Miller believes, "Although sad, the reality of the fact remains true to date – life starting lines vary based on race." I concur with Mr. Miller's sentiments here.

However keeping in mind there were no right or wrong answers Mr. Miller posed the following question. Where are the richest people in the world?

This question ignited total group participation. What was intriguing was the group as a whole collectively came to the conclusion the richest people are in the cemeteries. People who died without ever writing down or pursuing their goals and dreams.

It's a fact what we write will live on long after we're gone. So the importance of writing is paramount.

In the streets and the corporate world to excel requires you to have had experience around some of the best of the best and some of the worst of the worst.

Writing your goals and dreams down to keep those notes visible to you on a daily basis is a powerful tool and measuring stick to keep you on course with documented short, intermediate or long-term goals and dreams whatever they may be. Therefore the power of writing exceeds a blessing.

The global importance of family I believe we all know very well. However our vision and the heart we exhibit by pursuing our visions allows us to persevere through adversities that we may face throughout our lifetime.

In the streets the word birds have various meanings. However the life of birds is a story all of their own.

Most birds do everything in flocks. Many times their flock behaviors are survival-driven be from predators, storms, etc.

For me the mention and relation of the eagle were intriguing. Why?





After research the dynamics of an eagle are truly special. The eagle is a loner, has the best eyesight of all the bird species and most of the time does not share the same airspace not even with other eagles.

The eagle flies higher than any of the other bird species. In addition unlike any other bird species eagles do not fly away from storms or other adversities.

Eagles have an uncanny ability to breathe thin air at high altitudes that most humans, etc. cannot. In fact eagles fly into mother nature storms using a dynamic in their wings that allows them to glide above any storm to avoid the possibilities of destruction at ground level. This makeup in the eagles' wings allows them to use their wings without exhausting energy to glide at such altitudes effortlessly. The eagles simply glide above the storms until they pass.

So I'll pose the following question, if you had to be any of the bird species which bird species would you choose to be?

Mr. Miller is one of the best motivational speakers I've heard in a long time. This man has an uncanny ability to reach his audience regardless your walk of life past or present. His person and presentations are warming, digestible and easy to relate to.

He has graduated various phases in his life not limited to being homeless, large drug sales, unable to maintain and or find employment amongst many other life-altering factors.

I applaud Mr. Miller and all those like us who are striving to reach a forgotten society within today's society.

Although at some point many of us has lost our way trying to survive while trying to avoid the cemetery, I strongly believe we all love and honor family, have a vision and desire to soar like an eagle regardless your race, the race, life's pole positions or the actual starting lines.

Please pursue your visions and dreams to soar like an eagle. As the conglomerate Nike would say, Just do it.

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