There is a Reason Why You Began

Few people today ever fully realize what they are capable of, despite great opportunity to do so. Options, by themselves mean nothing. Tools, if unused, do not aid. A wanderer with no vision never advances. The emotions that spurn great initiative lie dormant in the spoiled children who will never know hardship or passion. They will never see a life beyond the slim range of now.

No matter where you go, you will encounter obstacles that curtail your will to pursue your goals. They will stand between you and whatever you perceive you want. You will notice them because they cause you pain. Obstacles matter because they affect what you care about. Injuries are always visible in the context of your motivation. Trauma comes from failed ambitions. Your experience of the world is determined by your core motivations.

In the course of living, you will build your identity around what makes gives you satisfaction. Every object you ever own, every relationship you ever forge, every product you ever purchase, and every action you ever take will be an attempt to serve the invisible master of your motivations operating in the subroutines of your psyche. You are driven, unstoppably, toward an intangible end, but you will never find peace there. The goals you derive from your environment are not real. They are fabrications, only barely resembling the object that will pacify you. Reliable satisfaction kneels to motivation that is present before what happens in the world of the senses.

Action is the path to expansion, but motivation permits all action. If you do not know why you care enough to try, you will not reach beyond your society's current setting. You will not become more than what they think you can be. When you see that social traditions suppress everything you feel is important, you will lose your motivation before it has been able to incarnate. Above all else, you must find the will to become more than what the world demands from you.

Start the inward search right now. When you've gathered enough unique experiences, you can find the underlying thread beneath the most important events of your life so far. Focus on the principle that motivated your actions. The outcome is not what matters here. You must understand why you have been doing what you do with your time in your body. Only then can you can begin to predict your actions under any possible circumstances, no matter how strange they seem to the version of yourself you know right now.

What happens out there in the world can reveal what happens within you. The internal journey is always reflected in your actions. You may sometimes even return to actions for which you thought you had already moved beyond their purpose. Only this time, you will do them for better reasons than you did before. To external minds, you may not look any

different. To anyone who has sees beneath the surface, they will see you as a person completely remade. A new identity will be operating within the same familiar body.

An idealistic hero starts his journey with faulty motivations, a broken prize in mind, because he has no experience with reality to test what he believes. Upon enduring great misery, challenging his reasons against the trials of the real world, his naïve perspective will shift. He no longer acts to for the external prize. He acts because he knows his standards for action are better than those of other actors. He will uphold his heroic ideals no matter what changes in the world around him. Nothing can destroy him now. He has found internal invincibility in his motivation.

With the core of his motivation in place, the hero can enter dangerous conditions where his will is tested without end. His spirit protects him against whatever psychic injuries unfamiliarity might produce. The emergencies he faces remove the comfortable conditions where he first discovered his will. With external familiarity gone, only his internal conditions remain. Only the will to act, the embodiment of his motivation, matters now. That motivation will guide him even when he is facing the utterly unknown and terrifying. It makes the way clear on conscious and unconscious levels.

You need to own your motivations if you are ever going to break out of your ordinary routines and aspire to something more. It is the only way you will have the will to try, to tread onward when things go wrong. Motivation can look like many things. Motivation can be deeply negative, a righteous kind of anger that creates drive. Motivation can be curiosity and enthusiasm for new things, even when nothing is going wrong.

Find your core motivation and hold onto it tightly. It will carry you through the trials to come, to arrive at what you are.