

# When Reality Sets In

Writes T. K. Coleman:

*We begin by dreaming.*

*Once dreams are pursued, “the reality” sets in.*

*But what we call “the reality” –sacrifices, hardships, compromises, setbacks, etc–is all a part of the dream.*

*The realities that seem to contradict our dreams do not belong to some other realm that must be ignored or defeated.*

*Those realities are the very elements that teach us how to substantiate our dreams.*

*Living the dream isn’t just about getting what we want. It’s about learning to navigate the complexities and challenges inherent in the process of creating.*

*When we face obstacles, it’s not because our dreams are being smacked in the face by reality. It’s because they’re being pushed from behind by possibility.*

*The very things we take as evidence against our dreams may quite possibly be the most creatively efficient means for their manifestation.*