

Who Says You Can't?

✖ What are you saying about your life? Words have power, and when you speak, ultimately you empower your words to materialize. Each of us has the ability to speak curses or blessings into our lives.

Whatever you hear, good or bad, will have an impact on you. So what have you been accused of over the years that would make you believe you can't be successful? What lies have been told to you that say you can't live a wonderful and fulfilling life? What untruths have been planted in your mind about your ability to accomplish great things?

Who's been talking to you and to whom have you been listening? Who said you have to keep listening? Who said you can't be free? If God didn't say it, then it's only someone else's opinion!

Let's agree in the beginning that there is one sure and final authority in our lives, and He is God. If you can initially accept and agree that there is a power greater than your circumstances, experiences, perceptions and surroundings, then you can grasp that there is a divine plan for your life and a divine authority in place to help you accomplish it.

By whose authority have you been making decisions for your life? Are you still basing the outcome of your life on the words of someone who didn't believe in you? Are you still being hindered by the negative influences of your childhood? Are the broken dreams of your past depleting the potential for your future?

No one enters the world void of a purpose, plan and destiny that has been assigned since the beginning of time. Our objective is to discover that individual and unique plan and then fulfill the potential of the life we've been assigned. Without questions, there will be difficulties, challenges, and

obstacles that arise to distract and discourage us from discovering our purpose, but we've been given a divine promise of success, and it is our responsibility to accept nothing less than overwhelming victory.

God has given each of us an instruction manual that tells us that through faith, positive affirmation and perseverance we can do *all* things. That statement has the ability to alter your future and establish the foundation of your faith. Are you willing to believe that it is possible to live life without limits? Are you willing to believe that the best is yet to come? Are you willing to believe you can? Who says you can't?

We live in a world of possibilities—a “can be” “can do” society where nothing is impossible. You are a person with a purpose, which means that there is a specific assignment or life task that you've been given and must fulfill before you exit this realm.

The plan for your life may lead you to different people, places and situations than you ever imagined possible, but ultimately it leads to your predestined purpose in life. Nothing happens by chance, but rather by circumstance. You alone are responsible for reacting and responding to the circumstances in your life.

As people with a purpose, plan and destiny, we cannot afford to use confusion, chaos and difficult circumstances as excuses for failure. You can no longer accept *you can't*. You must simply believe that *you can*. If you can conceive it and believe it, then there's no reason you can't achieve it.

I vividly remember being told, “You can't” when I was a child. If I had listened to what was said, I wouldn't be where I am today. When I was a boy, I was injured by a poisonous arrow shot through my right eye—leaving me poisoned, blind and in a coma. I recall my parents telling the story from the

perspective of the doctor, who told them I would never come out of the coma and that I was going to die. I was in a coma for three months. When I finally came out of it, the doctor said that because of the poison in my body I would not live past my next birthday. Well, as you well know, I am still here, and I've lived well past that prediction.

I believe that most of us have been through similar scenarios in life. There are things you were told you couldn't do, and as a result, you didn't even try. Without a doubt, I know that everything we need to fulfill the divine plan, purpose and destiny for our lives is inherently a part of who we are. Everything that man said I could not do, I am doing!

People may try to put limitations on you based on tradition, the past, or their own experiences, but don't let them do it. Only you and your divine destiny can define the boundaries and limits of your life.



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