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## That we are quitting

I've noticed that when I see people quit, in some cases early, or midterm, and in some cases almost last. I am more interested in quitting at the last stage. Thomas Edison, for example, failed 9,999 times to complete the light bulb that we are currently using, but he didn't quit at the last stage. We would probably quit in the middle, that is to say, 5,000 failures.

For example, there was a man who was looking for a gold mine, and he was so tired from digging deep and eventually quit. Later, however, other people dug there more, and the previous person quit with three feet left. If he had endured a little longer, he could have achieved his dream and become rich. In the end, because of the three feet, he abandoned that big dream, that life-long dream of becoming rich. There is a reply to this example, saying, "A great achievement or success is a reminder that we are closer than we believe."

If we look at books about success, [how] did past books succeed? Current books seem to focus more on [why] haven't they given up while dealing with a lot of things. These are books about what keeps them going. What is the courage that keeps you going? Does it have to do with courage? And so on. Of course, they set back and worry a lot. Nevertheless, only those who continue to overcome such fears and so on will be future leaders.

We don't have to wait until everything is perfect. Completeness is not to be solved forever. Rather than expecting it to be a complete condition, a complete situation, something will always be challenging and have to get through the obstacles. So what are you going to do? Starting now, every minute of the process, we're going to be stronger and more skilled in the field and more and more successful as we become more and more confident in ourselves.

Successful people take opportunities from failure, that is, obstacles as opportunities, and they look for opportunities from them. Every failure is that there are hidden seeds of greater benefit, and seeds of at least equal benefit seeds. I often recall the book [the meaning of pain] written by Pastor Ok Han-heum, and it was understood that pain was not useless.

Additionally, can't you help others achieve their dreams? I've been thinking about it for the past week. In other words, the reality seems to be that it is rare for people to accept and share the passion and vision of others. As everyone is so busy, and they try to pay more attention and focus on achieving and achieving their own, they seem to have no time to accept other people's. Those who listen to, accept, and enjoy such things will be great encouragement and mentors that will never be forgotten. I personally think this is the highest level of leadership. In other words, the height of leadership is to help achieve it by investing time and energy for someone else's, not mine.