

MICHAEL JORDAN: CONFRONT AND RESOLVE OBSTACLES

In the last lesson, you discovered the value of having a mentor. Mentors generally don't advertise, so it's up to you to track them down and make the request. A mentor can shave years off your learning curve.

Now, we'll look at obstacles and how to deal with them, according to Michael Jordan.

MICHAEL JORDAN'S WORDS OF WISDOM:

"If you're trying to achieve, there will be roadblocks. I've had them; everybody has had them. But obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it."

-Michael Jordan

Michael Jordan, one of the world's most loved professional basketball players and entrepreneur, makes some relevant points.

Jordan reminds us that when we're working toward accomplishing goals, we'll run in to obstacles. It's necessary to expect them on your road to success. However, these obstacles must not deter you. Instead, confront your challenges, figure out how to resolve the issues, and then fix them.

From the choice of wording, it's clear that Jordan believes if a person is creative enough, he can rise above any obstacle that appears before him. Basically, **Jordan tells us to expect troublesome situations and "figure out" solutions to those roadblocks in order to be successful.**

HOW TO APPLY MICHAEL JORDAN'S TIP TO YOUR LIFE

It's always wise to be prepared. Recognize that it's normal to experience bumps in the road on your way to a better life. Expect these bumps so you won't be shocked or thrown too far from the path when they occur.

You must be willing to confront roadblocks and then tackle them with a vengeance:

- Put on your thinking cap and brainstorm ways to get past your challenge.
- Talk to your friends.
- Seek advice from your mentor.
- Try anything and everything to solve your dilemma.

Don't give up or stop until you've figured it out.

Sometimes the most wonderful thing happens when you think your way through an issue: success!

One more successful person left to study - Zig Ziglar and the importance of enjoying the journey.

HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO DO TODAY:

- Choose a current challenge you're facing.
- Brainstorm several possible solutions to work around that obstacle.
- Put your plan into action.