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All the Best

* When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.

Steven Smith, an aspiring offspinner, had just entered the world of cricket. ~~Although~~ While a skillful bowler his success was very limited. Push come to shove when he ended up conceding ^{even} 137 runs in a single over! At this moment Smith like thousands of other failed cricketers could have just quit but Smith realised that he had to adapt to the situation. Fast forward two years, Smith returned as ~~be~~ a batsman, a batsman who later captained his national side Australia and also earned the distinction of being one of the best batsmen after Sir Don Bradman himself.

This story of Steve Smith's transition from a failed bowler to one of the most successful batsmen

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Life is truly reflective of the wisdom
and spirit that each of us need to
have in face of situations that won't
change, that is, the courage and
wisdom to change ourselves.

* THE DYNAMICS OF THE UNCHANGING SITUATIONS

While changing ourselves in face of
adverse or unfavourable situations is a
rational and wise choice, it also
leaves us with the question, that
why is it so that situations sometimes
won't change? The reasons behind it are
many. ~~The reasons behind it are many.~~

The first and foremost reason
leading to such situations is the
fact that ~~they~~ there are always too
many dynamics at play which influence
a situations, dynamics which very well
are out of our reach.

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Say for instance you are a businessman who is doing well in your business. Your prosperity is on the rise but suddenly your country declares war on the ^{inflation} neighbouring country and the ~~and~~ resultant lets away all your wealth, it is it something that you can control? Probably not. The case of German businessmen during the hyperinflation of 1920s is a real life embodiment of this hypothetical situation.

~~Second~~ The second reason why some situations just become unbudging is due to feel that after we ^{ourselves} are also incompatible with the whole scheme of things.

The messine issue of structural unemployment, that is ~~unemploy~~ unemployment owing to mismatch between skill required and skills possessed; that is plaguing economies all over the world

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is an unfolding example of this.

Further the increased instances of social isolation and awkwardness that have become so common in India's premier educational institutions too reflects that some people due to their messily different background are simply out of sync with the culture that these spaces possess.

Hence, our limitations too play a part in designing the situations we face.

Lastly, sometimes both the aforementioned factors can be favourable in some cases i.e. situations are normal and you are also well positioned towards them, but sheer bad luck can turn the situation into an unfavourable one.

The ^{unstoppable} blitzkrieg operation of Meri Germany in WW2 in Russia was in the end only foiled by winter! ~~is the~~ for ~~extra~~ instance.

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Home, owing to all these dynamics situations ~~are~~ tend to ~~becoming~~ become unbudging in many cases.

* REACTING TO THE SITUATIONS

While the discussion above may end up giving some the impression that ~~so~~ we then are ^{mere} puppets of our situations, it is not necessarily true. The only thing that makes us the puppets of circumstances is how we approach them.

~~While~~ The dominant approach in reacting to the situations, unfortunately, is marred by negative attitudes. People give in to their situations too easily i.e. they accept them as they are while keeping themselves the same.

While at the face of it this might not seem as a problem as people are only being acceptive ^{Page} of things, the

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problem lies in people not changing in
reaction to them.

An individual ~~meets~~ met by
such an approach tends to become
bitter and cynical, two characteristics
which never produce good results. This
individual while becomes bitter and
toxic in his personal relationships, totally
ruining them, in public domain he
also falls prey to extremist and
violent ideologies and to segregating
oriented populism.

~~As~~ A study of Adolf Hitler's 'Mein
Kampf' reveals him to be exactly this
kind of a person who in the face
of adverse situations that he came to
live in Vienna, turned his anger towards
the prevalent conditions into hate for
Jews, a hate which saw its culmination
in the Holocaust.

Further, such unbudging attitude in

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fear of unbudging situations also makes the person in question complacent and ignorant of one's own responsibilities, producing only a person who thinks he is entitled to everything.

The sheer lack of entrepreneurial culture in India, the rise of Guel movement in the west etc are all examples of weaknesses produced by such an attitude.

Hence, one can very well end up being a puppet of his situations if his attitude ^{is} ~~his~~ negative towards them i.e. he himself doesn't change in face of them.

* THE RIGHT APPROACH

Then what must one do in face of adverse and unchanging situations? The answer is accepting oneself to the prevalent situations and then making the best of them.

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To ensure such an approach one must first neutrally analyze the situation at hand to get a better hold of what the odds truly are. This must then be backed up with an analysis of one's own pros and cons. Taking both these into perspective, the response then must be devised, response which is adeptability and self improvement oriented.

While this approach may be a limited success in face of the first category of situations i.e. those totally out of our hand, for the rest it can yield great results.

For instance, say you are a person who due to lack of skills is unemployed. Then what you ^{can} ~~must~~ do is first see what the job market demands, where you stand in relation to those demands, followed by a strategy to and follow it.

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acquire those skills. This is surely to
yield better results than cynical
buckering about the state of economy.

The living example of the success
of this adeptisility oriented strategy is
none other than ~~the~~ the life of our
father of nation, Mohatma Gandhi.
What if Gandhi had just accepted the
seusim he faced in South Africa? or
he had just become a rich berrista
under the British Raj? Can you
imagine Gandhi becoming a Mohatma
then? Prokesly not. What made Gandhi
'Gandhi' was the fact that in
face of adversities that he faced he
adepted ~~and~~ to them and then fought
to change them, a fight which defeated
the mighty British Empire in the end.

Hence, when situations get out
of our hand, it is us that we
have to change. This ~~too~~ would yield

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is not only success in face of adverse
circumstances but would also bestow
us with a strong personality and
an undefatigable spirit.

So when your 'bowling' fails,
rather than clinging on to it or quitting,
~~maybe~~ maybe it's the time to become
a 'batsman'.

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* Wealth is what you don't see

Bob Merley was one of the biggest and richest artists in the world in the 20th century. His songs, his Restofarian lifestyle, his personality all revolved around happiness. In an interview, a reporter asked him whether all this was on account of his wealth? The answer to this by Bob summed up it all, he said "Money is numbers and numbers never end. If you try to find happiness in money you will never find it. The true wealth is the wealth of life."

This instance from Bob Merley's life is reflective of what hundreds of other rich people to have ^{accepted} ~~admitted~~, that money doesn't bring happiness, as happiness cannot be bought, it is cultivated ^{and experienced}, not through the tangible, but through the intangible wealth.

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* WEALTH → THE CONVENTIONAL PERSPECTIVE

In the modern industrial society the term ~~wealth~~ wealth is equated with money. The more money you have the more wealthy you are considered. While this perspective is ridden with many problems, it is not without its lessons.

The prime reason why modern society equates ~~no~~ wealth with money or physical assets is the fact that in modern industrial society money is the measure of value. It allows one to buy things and expand one's horizons and opportunities. And bear ~~in~~ in mind that these things do bring happiness and contentment satisfaction to people.

For instance people with capital go to foreign countries, engage in activities like adventure sports, buy costly articles and cars etc., a world which

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may not even exist for a person without capital or monetary resources.

Secondly, in modern industrial ^{due to} society, the capitalistic structure of the economy, monetary resources get equated with success too, success which is seen as an integral component of wealth. ~~too~~ It is due to this that the most successful individuals in the world like Bill Gates, Warren Buffet, Elon Musk, Mukesh Ambani etc. are also characterised as the most wealthy people in the world.

Thirdly, the accumulation of capital in a capital hungry world also brings with itself substantial amount of power and influence. Such power and influence, two elements which chiefly drive humans since beginning of time, also ensure a degree of happiness and satisfaction in the person wielding them.

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But here, owing to all these factors wealth in modern industrial society gets equated with accumulation of money, a perspective which is ridden with errors.

* WHY MONEY ALONE MIGHT NOT MAKE YOU WEALTHY

While the conventional perspective vouches for accumulation of money to be wealthy, it ^{totally} misses out an integral dimension of human life, that is, the emotional side of human life.

Emotions are the key driver of human life and human perspective towards his/her happy experiences. Emotional dimension of human life here, as also argued by scholars like Daniel Goleman, is a dominant factor in human life. It determines whether we are sad or happy, agitated or satisfied etc. in a given situation.

The monetary perspective of wealth

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Totally overlooks this and hence this concept of wealth falls on its face more often than not.

Let's take an example for this, Elon Musk recently became the richest man in the world in terms of monetary resources but at the same time his son cut all ties with him, dropping even ~~his~~ ^{the} name ^{Musk} from his last name! So will the former glory cover up for the letter loss in this case? for majority of the human populace the answer would be no as the emotional damage inflicted by the letter is just too big to cope with.

~~Hence~~ The monetary perspective of wealth also falls on its face in the macro scheme of things as subsequent World Happiness Reports have shown that the 'Richest' global countries in the world are no where near the happiest ones and surprisingly the

monetarily poor continent of South America is one of the happiest!

Hence, ignorance of emotional side of human life limits the utility of monetary conception of wealth.

Another weakness that such perspective of wealth suffers from is that it goes against and ignores the principle of Marginal Utility.

The principle of marginal utility asserts that the satisfaction derived from consumption will keep on decreasing on every subsequent unit of the object consumed. While on the other hand conventional view of wealth is based on the premise that money facilitated consumption brings ~~on~~ ~~at~~ unlimited satisfaction and hence happiness.

The legitimacy of the former and the defect of the latter is pretty apparent if we look around. Individuals

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with 10 cars ~~are~~ are barely excited by prospects of the 11th while people love their first car with their lives!

It is owing to this realisation that rich people have asserted the futility of tangible resources in bringing happiness.

The final nail in the coffin of the money oriented perspective of wealth is the fact that an excessively money minded perspective makes an individual participate in an un-ending and unfulfilling race, a race which leaves him bitter, egoistic and haughty. This often ends up ruining his personal relationships, leaving him alone, unhappy, maybe rich but surely not wealthy.

Hence on account of all these factors money may while very well be the means to wealth it is not the end as the true wealth lies in the intangible aspects of life.

* THE TRUE WEALTH

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Imagine two people. One is really rich and the second is a daily wage worker. The former when ^{he} returns to his mansion in his costly car finds his home empty with no one to welcome him but his possessions. The second, while having little tangible wealth, has his small daughter sitting at home who will come running to him once he comes back. While in this the rich one isn't difficult to identify, the ~~the~~ wealthy one surely is!

Hence, the true wealth is a mix of the tangible and intangible; more so of latter. With a modest degree of tangible possessions in place, it is the intangible aspects of human life such as personal solace and happiness, familial ties, friendships, love life etc. which truly makes a person wealthy.

Warren Buffett, who is one of the richest men in the world, lives a

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fairly simple life. So does Bill Gates.
Signifying that they truly understand the
value of the intangible wealth.

Such sustainable tangible consumption
combined with a life focused on
intangible aspects not only makes the
individual wealthy but also the
surroundings and environment of the
individual fulfilling. This also ~~etc~~ further
enhances his quality of life, his true
wealth.

Hence, wealth is truly what we don't
see, that is, our relationships, our own
self acceptance, our family, friendships
etc. all of which are out of bounds of
marginal utility. Hence, let's listen
to the words of the Rastamen and
truly enjoy the 'wealth' of life.