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What Drives Me?

Love, money and power drives the motivation of almost every human being to be successful. These forces were my motivating factors to pursue at first. Everything in the world seemed so practical and one-dimensional that I saw high school as nothing but a stepping-stone to the future we create later on. The fact is, it is easy to graduate high school. Classes were never a struggle for me, and I figured the time to stress and learn was in college. Freshman year passed by, Sophomore year passed by and soon it was Junior year. Junior year is when it hit me. I began serving the senior citizens at Heritage Home and Hospice and found the career of my dreams. I found my first driving factor. I wanted to do everything I could to be a Nurse Practitioner.

After finding the career of my dreams, every single one of my goals and driving factors in my life skyrocketed. Not only did I want to become a Nurse Practitioner, I wanted to have my Associates in Arts and Science through CSI before the time I graduated high school so I could achieve this goal quicker. By the time I graduate, I will have over 60+ college credits completed as well as my Pharmacy Technician Certificate. I plan to attend BYU-Idaho and have my bachelor's in nursing by 20 years old. The desire to serve others as a Nurse Practitioner drove me to make these goals for myself.

Another driving force for me is my health. During the summer of 2019, I was diagnosed with an incurable autoimmune disease titled Undifferentiated Connective Tissue Disease. The doctor expected that I would not be able to have kids, hold a demanding job or live the expected life span. I had a choice. That was either to succumb to my told fate or change it. I decided to do everything in my power to cure the incurable. I changed my entire lifestyle. I stopped eating bread, meat, sugar and dairy and started drinking over 64oz of kale shakes a day, drinking one gallon of water a day and eating large cruciferous salads for dessert. Doing this, I reversed all of my symptoms and hope to take another blood test and find that my ANA is negative. My health for myself and for others is one of the largest motivating factors in my life because without quality of life, other goals cannot be achieved.

These are some of the driving factors in my life that I tell others when they ask me. However, these are only sub-points of a larger goal. The largest motivator in my life, is to become the person I want to become. I want to become one who is educated mentally, physically, socially and intellectually. We have access to all the tools to achieve our version of success, but so few choose to use them. By using these tools and reminding ourselves of our driving forces, I sincerely believe we can make the world a better place for ourselves, and for others.