

Will and Perseverance

WILL

Will: power of consciousness turned towards effectuation.

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A persevering will surmounts all obstacles.

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One must have an unvarying will to acquire what one does not have in one's nature, to know what one does not yet know, to be able to do what one cannot yet do.

One must progress constantly in the light and the peace which come from the absence of personal desire.

If one has a strong will, he has only to orient it properly; if he has no will, he has first of all to build one for himself, which always takes long and is sometimes difficult.

22 March 1934

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Even the most beautiful thoughts will not make us progress unless we have a constant will for them to be expressed in us through nobler feelings, more exact sensations and better actions.

18 November 1951

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*My lower nature continues to do the same stupid things.
You alone can change it. What are Your conditions?*

- 1) to be *convinced* that you *can change*.
- 2) to will to change without accepting the excuses of the lower nature.

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- 3) to persist in the will in spite of every fall.
- 4) to have an unshakable faith in the help you receive.

7 April 1969

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AGNI

The true Agni always burns in deep peace; it is the fire of an all-conquering will.

Let it grow in you in perfect equanimity.

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Agni: the flame of purification which must precede all contact with the invisible worlds.

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RESOLUTION

Resolution: nothing can stop its development.

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We must gather ourselves in a calm resolution and an unshakable certitude.

9 November 1954

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Keep firm in your resolution and everything will be all right.
Love.

28 October 1966

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Let your resolution be integral and constant and little by little your future will be revealed to you.

With love and blessings.

9 February 1969

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Words of the Mother – II

DETERMINATION

It is difficult to get rid of all habits. They must be faced with a steady determination.

19 July 1954

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It is not because a thing is difficult that one should give it up, on the contrary, the more a thing is difficult the more determined should one be to succeed in it.

1 July 1955

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Determination knows what it wants and does it.

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STEADY EFFORT

Ambitious plans generally fall flat. It is better to go slow and steady.

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Be steady and patient — everything will be all right.

22 May 1934

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You must keep your aspiration steady and be patient in your endeavour — and you are sure of success.

8 May 1937

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Steady efforts always bring great results.

25 April 1954

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Remaining steady in our effort and quiet and firm in our determination, we are sure to reach the goal.

26 October 1954

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Effort well-directed breaks down all obstacles.

Be steady in your aspiration and it is sure to be granted.

Love.

3 October 1966

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No effort is lost. There is always an answer, even if it is not perceived.

7 December 1969

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Personal effort is indispensable; without it nothing can be done. When the personal effort is sincere the help is always there.

15 October 1972

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All sincere effort to progress and get rid of dangerous habits is answered and supported by an active help from the Grace — but the effort must be *steady* and the aspiration must be *sincere*.

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PERSISTENCE

Do not worry, be patient and persistent in your aspiration.

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Persist in your aspiration and it will be fulfilled.

12 September 1934

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Words of the Mother – II

Persist in your aspiration and your effort and you will succeed.

12 June 1971

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Continuity: knowing how to persist in one's effort.

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PERSEVERANCE

Perseverance: the decision to go to the very end.

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Perseverance is patience in action.

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Perseverance breaks down all obstacles.

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Persevere and all obstacles will be conquered.

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Persevere — it is the surest way to success. What you have not been able to achieve in you last year, you will do this year.

With my love and blessings.

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Persevere in your aspiration and effort, do not allow yourself to be discouraged by setbacks. This always happens in the beginning. But if you continue to fight without paying any attention to them, a day will come when the resistances give way and the difficulties vanish. My help is always with you, but you must learn to use it and to rely on it rather than on your own resources.

29 May 1956

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*What you are not able
to do today, you will achieve
tomorrow. Persevere and
you shall conquer.*



What you are not able to do today, you will achieve tomorrow.
Persevere and you shall conquer.

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It is by *persevering* that one conquers difficulties, not by running away from them. One who perseveres is sure to triumph. Victory goes to the most enduring. Always do your best and the Lord will take care of the results.

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What is obstinacy? How can one use it best?

It is the wrong use of a great quality — perseverance.

Make a good use of it and it will be all right.

Be obstinate in your effort towards progress, and your obstinacy will become useful.

29 May 1971

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Words of the Mother – II

I already told you that my help is with you and will continue to be so — you are sure to reach the goal but you must be very perseverant. To be constantly in contact with the Truth is not easy and needs time and a great sincerity. But you can be sure of my guidance and my force.

With love and blessings.

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ENDURANCE

Endurance: going to the very end of the effort without fatigue or relaxing.

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Endurance is the capacity of bearing without depression.

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Cheer up, all will be all right, if we know how to last and endure.

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To know and be able to bear and endure, undoubtedly produces a firm and fixed joy.

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The most important is a steady, quiet endurance that does not allow any upsetting or depression to interfere with your progress. The sincerity of the aspiration is the assurance of the victory.

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A quiet endurance is the sure way to success.

14 June 1954

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The things we cannot realise today we shall be able to realise tomorrow. The only necessity is to endure.

20 August 1954

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The victory is to the most enduring.

6 September 1954

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Endure and you will triumph. Victory goes to the most enduring.
And with the Grace and divine love nothing is impossible.
My force and love are with you.
At the end of the struggle there is Victory.

7 January 1966

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In silent endurance, one step forward towards victory with the help of eternal love.

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Open to the Divine Grace and thou shalt endure.

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PATIENCE

Patience: indispensable for all realisation.

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Patience: the capacity to wait steadily for the Realisation to come.

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Accomplishment is without any doubt the fruit of patience.

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With patience one arrives always.

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It is not in a day that one can overcome one's own nature. But with patience and enduring will the Victory is sure to come.

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With patience any difficulty can be overcome.

9 March 1934

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Everything will come in its time; keep a confident patience and all will be all right.

9 August 1934

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With patience and perseverance all prayers get fulfilled.

4 February 1938

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With sincerity, make an effort for progress, and with patience, know how to await the result of your effort.

21 October 1951

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To know how to wait is to put Time on your side.

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I worry myself over being exact and regular and punctual. If I ever miss being so, even a little, I get upset and feel that I must hurry all the more. In matters of the inner life also, I incline to do the same.

I think this tendency is to be discouraged.

Yes, it is not good to be impatient and agitated — you must do everything peacefully and quietly without excessive haste.

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If the mind remains quiet in all circumstances and happenings, patience will be more easily increased.

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Yoga cannot be done in a hurry — it needs *many many* years. If you are “pressed for time” it means that you have no intention of doing yoga — is it so?

It is not the soul, but the ego and its pride that feel “defeat and humiliation”.

10 November 1961

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One goes much faster when he is not in a hurry.

To really move forward, one should feel, with complete confidence, that eternity lies before him.

4 July 1962

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Sweet Mother,

Too often the feeling of incapacity and of being far from You comes to discourage the will. I am tired of my way of living, of feeling — and it seems to have no end.

To realise anything one must be patient. And the vaster and more important the realisation, the greater the patience must be.

Blessings.

19 May 1968

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Mother, when I write to You, there is always this “I”; I know that I have no right to write like this — it is so egoistic. I don’t know how to overcome this difficulty. I know that it is not a big difficulty, but it is like a little pebble which one stumbles over even though one sees it.

One must be patient and stubborn in order to reach the goal.

8 May 1971