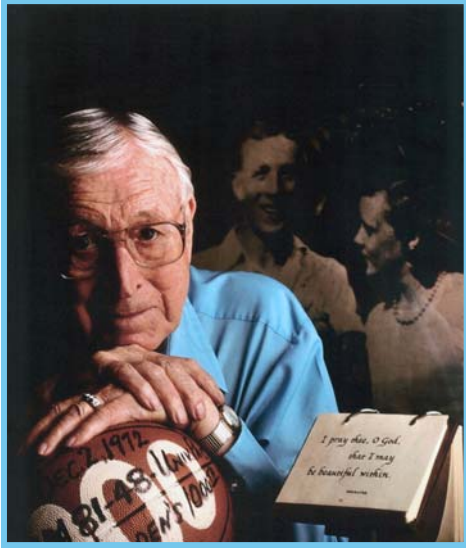


A Creed for John Wooden

John Wooden, a member of the Basketball Hall of Fame as both a player and a coach, was born in Hall, Ind. He knew the rigors and compensations of agrarian living.



His father, a rural mail carrier and farmer, made a lasting impression on young John.

Upon graduating from the county school in Centerton, Ind., John Wooden was given this written creed by his father, Joshua Hugh Wooden:

Be true to yourself; make each day your masterpiece; help others; drink deeply from good books, especially the Bible; make friendship a fine art; build a shelter against a rainy day; pray for guidance; count, and give thanks for your blessings every day.

What a remarkable summation of a formula for successful living! By all accounts, Wooden has ordered his life around those principles.

Not only is this good advice for our children, facing years and careers stretching before them, but it is wisdom for adults of any age.

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– Beecher Hunter