

# Keys to Success

Most folks yearn to be successful; they don't want to be considered just average or mediocre. But how does one attain success? More importantly, how do you as an individual define success?

That depends in large measure on your dreams, both personal and professional.

Whatever path you may choose toward your goals, there are some personal characteristics that can help more than you might imagine in achievement of them.

I like what Larry Winget – professional motivational speaker, best-selling author, and television personality – wrote in his book, *It's Called Work for a Reason*. He has discovered, he said, that “there are only a handful of good ideas in the whole world. You already know them. You have heard them your entire life.”

Winget identified “some of the main keys to being more successful:”

- Take personal responsibility.
- Things change, so be flexible.
- Work smart and work hard.
- Serve others well.
- Be nice to others.
- Be optimistic.
- Have goals; want something big for yourself.
- Stay focused.
- Keep learning.
- Become excellent at what you do.
- Trust your gut.
- When in doubt, take action.
- Earn all you can. Save all you can. Give all you can.
- Enjoy all you've got.
- Above all, keep it simple.



Winget's “main keys to being more successful” are right on target. And it is as if they are written for anyone who wishes to get ahead in Life Care, Century Park or Life Care at Home because these principles are fundamental to the mission we are called to do.

My suggestion: Make a copy and keep it handy. Refer to it often in the months and years ahead. And each time, recommit to these ideas for success.

*Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart, so you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man (Proverbs 3:3-4 ESV).*

– Beecher Hunter