



BHAGAVAD GITA: Chapter 5, Verse 2

श्रीभगवानुवाच ।
संन्यासः कर्मयोगश्च निःश्रेयसकरावुभौ ।
तयोस्तु कर्मसंन्यासात्कर्मयोगो विशिष्यते ॥ 2॥

śhrī bhagavān uvācha
sannyāsaḥ karma-yogaśh cha niḥśhreyasa-karāvubhau
tayos tu karma-sannyāsāt karma-yogo vīśhiṣhyate

śhrī-bhagavān uvācha—the Supreme Lord said; sanyāsaḥ—renunciation; karma-yogaḥ—working in devotion; cha—and; niḥśhreyasa-karau—lead to the supreme goal; ubhau—both; tayoḥ—of the two; tu—but; karma-sanyāsāt—renunciation of actions; karma-yogaḥ—working in devotion; vīśhiṣhyate—is superior

shri bhagavan uvacha
sannyasah karma-yogash cha nihshreyasa-karavubhau
tayos tu karma-sannyasat karma-yogo vishishyate

TRANSLATION

BG 5.2: The Supreme Lord said: Both the path of karm sanyās (renunciation of actions) and karm yog (working in devotion) lead to the supreme goal. But karm yog is superior to karm sanyās.

COMMENTARY

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Karm sanyās is for elevated souls, who have already risen beyond the bodily platform. A karm sanyāsī is one who discards social duties due to complete absorption in God, and engages entirely in the performance of spiritual duties (devotional service to God). This sentiment of karm sanyās was nicely expressed by Lakshman, when Lord Ram asked him to fulfill his worldly duties:

more sabai eka tumha swāmī, dīnabandhu ura antaryāmī (Ramayan)

Lakshman said to Ram, “You are my Master, Father, Mother, Friend, and everything. I will only fulfill my duty toward You with all my might. So please do not tell me about any of my bodily duties.”

Those who practice karm sanyās do not consider themselves to be the body, and as a result, they do not feel obligated to discharge their bodily duties. Such karm sanyāsīs dedicate their full time and energy to spirituality, while karm yogis have to split their time between worldly and spiritual duties. The karm sanyās can thus move much faster toward God, while the karm yogis are encumbered with social duties.

However, in this verse, Shree Krishna extols karm-yog beyond karm sanyās and recommends it to Arjun as the preferred path. This is because karm sanyāsīs are exposed to a danger. If, having renounced their duties they cannot absorb their mind in God, they are left neither here nor there. In India, there are tens of thousands of such sadhus, who felt they were detached, and thus, renounced the world, but their mind was not yet attached to God. Consequently, they could not experience the divine bliss of the spiritual path. And so, although wearing the saffron clothes of mendicants, they indulge in grossly sinful activities such as smoking opium. Only the ignorant mistake their sloth as detachment from the world.

On the other hand, karm yogis do both their worldly duties and spiritual practice. So if their mind turns away from spirituality, at least they have their work to fall back upon. Karm-yog is thus the safer path for majority of the people, while karm sanyās is only to be pursued under the expert guidance of a Guru.

5 Best Motivational Speakers To Get You Fired Up About Life

The best motivational speakers will spur you to take action, even in the face of great obstacles, simply through their powerful words. To help you decide among the many that are out there, we have listed who we think are the best of the best when it comes to motivational speakers. For each of the motivational speakers on the list below, motivating people is their true calling – try them out yourself, feel the inspiration and get your start on the path to personal and professional success. For the record, this list of motivational speakers is in NO PARTICULAR ORDER. Get ready to feel the power of their amazing words and wisdom!

Top Motivational Speakers To Pump You Up!

Les Brown

Aside from motivational speaking, Les Brown is probably best known for his political career, as he is a former member of the Ohio House of Representatives. Les Brown is a wildly successful businessman, who has counseled small business and non-profit organizations all the way up to Fortune 500 CEOs.

Over the years, Les has become one of the most famous motivational speakers in the world due to his ability to speak to your soul and encourage audiences to ask themselves the tough quotes about life and where they’re going.

Quote: “You have greatness within you.”

Website: lesbrown.com

Eric Thomas

Eric Thomas, or ET, is best known for overcoming various personal obstacles, including homelessness, not knowing his biological father and struggling in school.

He is a published author, world-renowned speaker, educator, pastor and Audie Awards Finalist. ET’s has become one of the top motivational speakers in the world due to his dynamic storytelling and incredible levels of energy.

Quote: “The will to success is important but the will to prepare is just as important.”

Website: etinspires.com

Best Motivational Speakers

Tony Robbins
Tony Robbins is probably the best known



motivational speaker out there today. He has been honored numerous times, reflecting his established status in the industry: by Accenture as one of the “Top 50 Business Intellectuals in the World”; by Harvard Business Press as one of the “Top 200 Business Gurus”; and by American Express as one of the “Top Six Business Leaders in the World” to coach their entrepreneurial clients, just to name a few.

Tony Robbins has become one of the best motivational speakers in the world due to his success in being a catalyst for positive change in both individuals and organizations.

Quote: “One reason so few of us achieve what we truly want is that we never direct our focus; we never concentrate our power.

Most people dabble their way through life, never deciding to master anything in particular.”

Website: tonyrobbins.com

Jim Rohn

Sadly, Jim Rohn passed away in 2009. He was best known for his “rags to riches” story, as well as being one of the earliest pioneers for motivational speaking.

He was an influential early mentor to Tony Robbins, who as we stated above is likely the most

renowned motivational speaker today. John became one of the top motivational speakers in the world due to his simple delivery, values-based message and practical wisdom.

Quote: “Don’t wish it were easier; wish you were better.

Don’t wish for fewer problems; wish for more skills. Don’t wish for fewer challenges; wish for more wisdom.”

Website: jimrohn.com

Zig Ziglar

The world lost the wonderful Zig Ziglar when he passed away in 2012. In addition to being an incredible motivational speaker, he was also a talented author, so you can still easily access his valuable advice and insights.

Ten of his twenty-eight books have been on bestseller lists, and his titles have been translated into more than thirty-eight languages and dialects. Zig Ziglar’s ‘down home’ appeal, wealth of stories and sense of humor has regarded him as one of the best motivational speakers of all time.

Quote: “You are the only person on earth who can use your ability. It’s an awesome responsibility. “For more Zig Ziglar quotes, go here!

Website: ziglar.com

Word Of The Day

BEHEMOTH

noun | bih-HEE-muth

What It Means

A behemoth is something of monstrous size, power, or appearance. Behemoth (usually capitalized) is also the name of a mighty animal described in the biblical book of Job.

// The town will be voting on whether or not to let the retail behemoth build a store on the proposed site.

BEHEMOTH in Context

"The author ... recounts how his grandfather turned a family spinach farm into an industrial behemoth, and exposes the greed and malfeasance behind the prosperous facade." — The New York Times, 6 July 2025

Did You Know?

In the biblical book of Job, Behemoth is the name of a powerful grass-eating, river-dwelling beast with bones likened to bronze pipes and limbs likened to iron bars. Scholars have speculated that the biblical creature was inspired by the hippopotamus, but details about the creature's exact nature are vague. The word first passed from the Hebrew word bēhēmōth into Late Latin (the Latin used by writers in the third to sixth centuries), where, according to 15th century English poet and monk John Lydgate it referred to "a beast rude full of cursednesse." In modern English, behemoth functions as an evocative term for something of monstrous size, power, or appearance.

Is it your Birthday Today?

AUGUST 10

Ruled by the number 1, you are smart, creative, and good at solving problems. Your words have power, and people admire your communication skills. This year brings steady growth in work and business. Smart investments and new ideas will get you recognition. Social events or networking may connect you with people who support your goals. Trips for work or leisure will be enjoyable and may also bring in profits. Your money situation will improve as earlier investments start giving results. Stay grounded and avoid distractions to keep reaching your goals. Focus on what really matters in the long run. The months of October, December, March, and August will be important and filled with progress.

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SOLUTION OF PREVIOUS PUZZLE

STARS & PLANETS

What is My Zodiac Sign?

List of Zodiac Signs Based on Birth Dates

Your zodiac sign is determined by your date of birth. You may check the zodiac sign chart and find in which period of zodiac your birth date falls.

List of 12 Zodiac Signs

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Taurus (April 20 - May 20)
Gemini (May 21 - June 20)
Cancer (June 21 - July 20)
Leo (July 21 - August 22)
Virgo (August 23 - September 22)
Libra (September 23 - October 22)
Scorpio (October 23 - November 21)
Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21)
Capricorn (December 22 - January 19)
Aquarius (January 20 - February 18)
Pisces (February 19 - March 20)

ARIES: Your emotions are likely to be pulled to extremes, Aries. A key aspect of today is communication, and it wields a great deal of power. People are fighting for knowledge today so be sure of your facts before you start tossing them out there. You'll command respect from others, thanks to your solid commitment to the truth.

TAURUS: Don't underestimate people's sensitivity to certain situations, Taurus. You may work with a detachment that's healthy on a day like this. You can deal with issues in a levelheaded way without getting caught up in emotional drama. Meanwhile, others might take things very personally. Be aware of their needs. These people are some of your most valuable resources. Treat them with respect.

GEMINI: Talking things over with friends is likely to be a nourishing exercise for you, Gemini. Instead of trying to work things out in your head, say them aloud and ask others for their perspectives. A tremendous amount of healing can take place when you confess what's bothering you. Find the relief that comes from having a willing listener.

CANCER: Engage in lively activities with friends who keep you abreast of the latest in culture, Cancer. See a movie, go to a bookstore, or visit a museum. This should be a fun time in which you can bounce ideas around and explore your thoughts and feelings. Be careful that your conversation doesn't lapse into gossip. Don't let everyone else's affairs suddenly become more important than yours.

LEO: You may think few people understand you, Leo. Even if you try to explain your thought process and where you are emotionally, it still seems like others are more concerned with themselves. Only you can really understand how you feel. Be your own cheerleader. It isn't necessary for everyone to understand everything about you. An air of mystery is part of what makes you intriguing.

VIRGO: Your mood is likely to be malleable, Virgo, depending on the people you're with and situation you're in. One minute you may be high as a kite and the next you're down in the dumps. There's likely to be very little middle ground. The key for you now is to align yourself with those with a positive attitude who can bring helpful working solutions to the issues.

LIBRA: Try not to spend too much time on one issue today, Libra. It's possible that you'll get so wrapped up in it that that you'll find it hard to deal with anything else. Take care of one issue the best you can and move to the next without dwelling on the first. Your focus is strong, and you can tackle many issues efficiently.

SCORPIO: Things should be going well for you, Scorpio. Stay on track and you'll have a clear runway. If you deviate from where you need to be, you might get a harsh reminder from something or someone. There are powerful forces at work. You'll benefit if you work with instead of against them. Maintain your focus on the truth and those aspects that align with your soul.

SAGITTARIUS: You may feel like you're walking a tightrope, Sagittarius. One wrong step will cause you to tumble to the ground. Don't put so much pressure on yourself. You may see things as life or death situations when what's required now is an upbeat attitude. If you insist on making things more complicated than they need to be, you may turn away the very people who can help you.

CAPRICORN: Someone or something may intimidate you and make you want to retreat, Capricorn. But this person or situation is the very thing you need now in order to do what you have to do. Opportunities are there for you even though they may be disguised. Once you find them you will know. Have confidence that you're ready for the next step in your journey.

AQUARIUS: There may be power struggles brewing beneath the surface that become evident in your interactions, Aquarius. Your first reaction may be to get upset and make your viewpoint even more rigid. It's important that you be more laid back. Accept that other people have different perspectives on the situation. Work with instead of against them. Walk away if others are unreasonable.

PISCES: You may find yourself running in a million different directions, Pisces. This is a good day to do errands. You can juggle many things at once, so continue with confidence. Make sure that you do each task thoroughly instead of skimming over them. Others are likely to notice your work. Do work that makes you proud.