

## BE WHO YOU WERE CREATED TO BE

Once upon a time there was a bunch of tiny frogs who arranged a climbing competition. The goal was to reach the top of a very high tower.

A big crowd had gathered around the tower to see the race and cheer on the contestants. The race began. Honestly: no one in the crowd really believed that the tiny frogs would reach the top of the tower. You heard statements such as: 'Oh, WAY too difficult!' or 'They will NEVER make it to the top.' Or: 'Not a chance that they will succeed. The tower is too high!'

The tiny frogs soon began collapsing, one by one. Except for those, who in a fresh tempo, were climbing higher and higher. The crowd continued to yell, 'It is too difficult!!!' 'No one will make it!' More tiny frogs got tired and gave up, but ONE continued higher and higher and higher.

This one would not give up! At the end, everyone else had given up climbing the tower. Except for the one tiny frog who, after a big effort, was the only one who reached the top! THEN all the other tiny frogs naturally wanted to know how this one frog managed to do it. A contestant asked the tiny frog how he had found the strength to succeed and reach the goal. It turned out that the winner was DEAF!!!!

The wisdom of this story is:

never listen to other people's tendencies to be negative or pessimistic because they can take your most cherished dreams and wishes away from you; the ones you have held deep in your heart. Remember the power words have. Because everything you hear and read will affect your actions!

Proverbs 18:21 says, Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Therefore: ALWAYS be POSITIVE. Many smiles begin because of another smile.

And above all:

Be DEAF when people tell you that you cannot fulfill your dreams! Always think: God and I can do this!

Philippians 4:13 is a promise we can stand on and accomplish what God says we can.

If you fall down ten times, stand up eleven. Don't quit!

(Internet resource and one worth sharing again)