

From: William Mumpower
To: Scott Burrows
Sent: Fri, 29
Subject: Your recent presentation to Guardian's Leaders club

Scott,

I wanted to take a moment and tell you how much your presentation meant to me. In my 33 year career, I guess I've heard over 100 motivational speakers at various conferences, including speakers such as Pat Riley, Lou Holtz, Chris Gardner (The Pursuit of Happiness) and many, many others. Though I can remember a few of the speakers, it is rare that I can remember what they've spoken about - at least not for very long.

Your message of Vision, Mindset and Grit is simple but so very powerful. It is simple enough that I have thought about it every day since your presentation. It has been a powerful reminder to me of the importance of having a clear vision, a focus on those things which I can control and having enough perseverance not to give up too soon.

As I go throughout each day and I confront specific situations, opportunities or setbacks (Setups for a comeback), I try to keep in mind those three ideas. I especially appreciate your account of how it took 6 years to go from a wheelchair to being able to stand and use a cane. I often use that image as a reminder not to give up hope too soon and to keep reaching inside to find the strength to persevere.

I cannot fully express the impact that your talk has had on my life in this brief time. I really appreciate your willingness to share your story that it might be an inspiration to others.

Thanks again and many blessings to you!

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