

# GREED IS GOOD!

If you saw the movie Wall Street, you probably remember when Gordon Gekko, played by Michael Douglas, declares that "Greed, for the lack of better word, is good". Of course, moral and religious beliefs tell us that greed cannot be good, greed is the root of all evil, remember Scrooge, Charles Foster Kane from the movie Citizen Kane, who dies regretting Rosebud, the sled from his childhood, and even Gordon Gecko who ends up in jail!

Well, don't be shy, agree with me that greed is good! It's unconventional, it's mind-challenging, it's probably controversial, let me explain! Greed is, for most people, about desiring more money. More money to be able to have a better lifestyle or enjoying more goods money can buy. When over one billion people have no access to basic needs like water, food or decent shelter, a better lifestyle or more goods mean nothing, and greed becomes insulting to mankind.

However, if you agree greed is about desiring to have more

of what we have today, without depriving anybody, then, the only resource that we should be greedy about is time! For time, greed is good! Because time flies and cannot be replaced. The second that passed by has gone forever! Being greedy about time is giving back time its tremendous value!



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Unfortunately, in our twenty-first century life, time has become a commodity that many modern creations steal from us: internet, television, entertainment, etc. Not that these are not intrinsically bad, but they are time thieves. You could watch a movie to relax, but think about

watching the same movie with friends or family to create bonding and nurture relationships.

So yes, it's good to be greedy about time and about the way you are using it. Time is scarce. Wasting it is the worst decision or non-decision you may take. As Hensley said it "You are the master of your soul, the captain of your fate". Only you can decide how you spend your time. In a previous post (Today, I cleared my tasks list! Like yesterday!), I was advising you to draw lists of what you want to achieve. If you set clear goals for the day, week, month and year to come, you can focus and use your time with greed to achieve those tasks!

So use your time wisely and be greedy, as greed is good when it comes to time! Want to learn how better manage your time? Join a Port-Louis Toastmasters Club meeting by contacting the executive team at [pltoastmastersexecutive@google-groups.com](mailto:pltoastmastersexecutive@google-groups.com).

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