

The Jewish Secret to Life:

1. The Secret pg. 177: *"There is no blackboard in the sky in which G-d has written your purpose, your mission in life.* There's no blackboard in the sky that says, 'Neale Donald Walsch. Handsome guy who lived in the first part of the twenty-first century, who....' And then there is a blank. And all I have to do to really understand what I'm doing here, why I'm here, is to find the blackboard and find out what G-d really has in mind for me. But the blackboard does not exist. So your purpose is what you say it is. Your mission is the mission you give yourself. Your life will be what you create it as, and ***no one will stand in judgment of it, now or ever.***"
2. The Secret pg. 178: "It took a lot of years for me to get to this point, because I grew up very much with this idea that there was something I was supposed to do, and ***if I wasn't doing it, G-d wouldn't be happy with me.*** When I really understood that my primary aim was to feel and experience joy, then I began to do only those things which brought me joy. I have a saying: "If it ain't fun, don't do it!"
3. The Secret pg. 183: "The earth turns on its orbit for You. The oceans ebb and flow for You. The birds sing for you. The sun rises and sets for You. The stars come out for You. Every beautiful thing you see, every wondrous thing you experience, is all here, for You. Take a look around. None of it can exist, without You. No matter who you thought you were, now you know the Truth of Who You Really Are. You are the master of the Universe. You are the heir to the kingdom. You are the perfection of Life. And now you know The Secret."
4. Talmud Sanhedrin 37a: Therefore man was created singly...therefore each and every one is obligated to say, "For me the world was created."
5. Talmud Taanis 25a: Story of Rabbi Elazar ben Pedas : "Would you like Me to turn the world back anew? Perhaps, you would then be born at a time of abundant food."
6. Talmud Nidah 16b: At the time of conception, the angel has G-d determine: What will be of this drop, will it be strong or weak, wise or foolish, rich or poor – but they do not determine if it will be righteous or wicked.
7. Talmud Nidah 30b: As the soul leaves the womb, the angel guides it in a final and irrevocable oath: 'I will be a righteous individual. I will never take pride for virtue even if the whole world calls me a saint. In my eyes I will always remain like a wicked person who must still grow and improve.'
8. Jeremiah 9,22-23: Thus said Hashem: 'Let not the wise man glorify himself with his wisdom, and let not the strong man glorify himself with his strength, let not the rich man glorify himself with his wealth. For only with this may one glorify himself – contemplating and knowing Me, for I am Hashem who does kindness, justice, and righteousness in the land...'
9. Talmud Avos 3;1: Consider three things and you will not come into the grip of sin: Know whence you came, whither you go, and Before Whom you will give justification and reckoning. 'Whence you came?' – from a putrid drop; 'whither you go?' – to a place of dust, worms, and maggots; 'and before Whom you will give justification and reckoning?' – before the King Who reigns over kings, the Holy One Blessed is He.
10. Luzzatto, Path of the Just: ***Man was created for the sole purpose of rejoicing in G-d and deriving pleasure from the splendor of His Presence;*** for this is true joy and the greatest pleasure that can be found. The place where this joy may truly be derived is the World to Come, which was expressly provided for it; but the path to the object of our desires is this world...If you look more deeply into the matter, you will see that the world was created for man's use....And in truth, no reasoning being can believe that the purpose of man's creation relates to his station in this world! Who is truly happy and content in this world?....