

## The Tiger

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The will to win, the way to victory, the secret of success and the avenue to accomplishment, all of these are found in the eye of the tiger.

Long ago, we were taught to be fierce like the tiger, yet so many today pay no heed, so very few contemplate the tiger to learn its secrets.

The tiger is large and heavy, yet moves with silence and stealth. How does something so large move so eloquently?

The tiger is fierce and lethal, yet waits patiently in stillness for its prey. How does something so passionate muster such discipline?

The eye of the tiger betrays its inner resolve. The eye of the tiger shows no fear. The eye of the tiger reveals its inner power and raw devotion to the kill.

The eye of the tiger is the window to its soul. Do not be surprised that the tiger has a soul. Rather ask yourself if your soul is as strong as the tiger's.

The eye of the tiger exposes its inner essence, the inner unity of its mind and heart. Within the tiger, the head and heart are united as one and act together through the tiger's claw.

The eye of the tiger is nothing without the tiger's claw. The eye of the tiger sees the kill; the tiger's claw makes the kill.

The tiger knows that there is success only in finality. Desire means nothing without accomplishment. Accomplishment is everything. Everything therefore must focus on accomplishment. There can be no distractions.

The tiger's mind does not know the confusion experience by men. The tiger knows only focus, all its thoughts center upon the kill.

The tiger's claw is unlike the hand of man. Man's hand can be either strong or weak. The tiger's claw knows only strength.

To be fierce like the tiger means to act with absolute resolve. Accomplishment of the task at hand is pursued with nothing allowed to interfere.

When one serves Heaven with the ferocity of the tiger, one accomplishes great deeds. The one who serves Heaven with the focus of the tiger acts as the agent of Heaven. The agent of Heaven is one who accomplishes one's task with focus and devotion, caring for nothing other than accomplishment.

The agent of Heaven is called an angel. To be an angel, therefore, one must have both the eye of the tiger to see with focused wisdom and the tiger's claw to accomplish success.

Long ago, we were taught to be fierce like the tiger, yet so many today pay no heed. What a great loss.