

THE EXTRA POINT

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110 Wisdom of the Bosses

Today is a day for wisdom. The wisdom of the bosses. Can you recall something said by one of your bosses that has stuck with you through the years? I'm Jerry Roberts and let's mine a little bit of that gold, today, on The Extra Point.

In your career you likely have worked for at least one manager who said something or perhaps many things, that still come to mind.

These might be his or her pet phrases, words that they said more than once in your presence, words that you might have judged profound the first time you heard them...and maybe you and coworkers giggled a bit the fifth or tenth time.

Here's a sampling of things maybe one of your bosses might have said:

"The person who knows how will always have a job. The person who knows WHY will always be his or her boss."

I'm sure I heard that at least once.

"The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one."

How about this: "The only time some people work like a horse is when the boss rides them."

Sam Walton, the founder of Wal-Mart, said: "There is only one boss. The customer. And he can fire everybody in the company from the chairman on down, simply by spending his money somewhere else."

I'm sure you'd heard the next one. "The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary."

"Always know why you're making the decision you're making."

Here's something that Ray's dad might have said once: "Dress for where you want to be, not where you are."

I know he said this: "If it's not in writing, it didn't happen."

Henry Ford offered: "Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't...you're right."

I don't know who originally coined this line, but my mom, my original boss, would say it... "Your past doesn't predict your future."

If you've had tough times in your life and you're thinking that's the way it will always be, know that countless people have turned things around — just like that.

And then there was one of my earlier bosses, Big Ed, who made a great difference in my life. I think the one I remember best is. "If you don't have time to do it right, when will you have time to do it over?"

That one has been attributed to famed UCLA basketball coach John Wooden, and Albert Einstein. But in my book, it will always belong to Big Ed.

So now it's your turn. If you have one to share from a current or past boss, drop it in the Facebook chat for The Point Guam Radio, or by any other means you would normally use to contact the host of this here radio program.

That's The Extra Point. Get out there and make something good happen today. For 93.3 and the Ray Gibson Show, I'm Jerry Roberts.

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