

THE SCULPTOR

Thought is the sculptor of our lives, and none of us is a finished product. We are involved in the continuous process of being created.

An ancient myth visualized creativity in action. The Prince was a hunchback. He asked his father, the King to have a statue prepared showing him standing straight and tall. The statue was made and placed in the castle garden. Each morning and each evening the little hunchback stood before the statue. He burned into his consciousness a mental picture of himself as the statue showed him to be...he endeavored to throw back his shoulders and straighten his body. Slowly but surely, over long months the change took place. The Prince became as straight as the statue. There was the flash of command in his eyes; his whole personality was transformed and he became a great leader of his people.

There is much hidden wisdom in myths. This one emphasizes the power of thought to change our lives. Ernest Holmes, a great man of spiritual and religious calling, declared this truth with complete certainty; in our thought, with complete trust and faith and childlike acceptance, we may, if we will, uproot all the old patterns that have limited us and in their place, replant a new Eden in which we may live in happiness and joy and peace. And is it not wonderful that we, and only we, shall choose, and we, and only we, shall execute? And we have this privilege Now – Today.

What you are today is the result of what you have thought up until now. What you will be tomorrow depends upon the thoughts you think from now on. You create yourself. You are the sculptor.

"I know of no more encouraging fact," wrote Thoreau, "than the unquestioned ability of man to elevate himself by conscious endeavor." Thought is a sculptor that can shape your future.