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2019 Newsletter

because I said I would.

New Year's Resolution Ideas

We've created a tool to help you brainstorm and select a 2020 New Year's Resolution! Over the next few days you're going to hear a lot of hype about promises in the New Year. Unfortunately, many of these commitments are never honored. Start 2020 on the right path by choosing the right commitment using the worksheet below!

New Year's Promise Idea Generator



Top Facebook Posts of 2019

Your likes and shares have helped the world see the importance of a promise. *Because I said I would* has over 127,000 Facebook followers. Our top 9 social media posts of 2019 are featured below. We would love to create more impact through awareness campaigns, but we don't have the funding to staff a social media resource. However, we are a resourceful bunch and we've still been able to reach tons of people!

| Story with link | People reached |
|--|----------------|
| Todd Beamer was a passenger on UA Flight 93 | 275,410 |
| Anonymous woman donates \$235,000 diamond to our charity | 125,800 |
| Computer scientist Katie Bouman | 44,212 |
| Because I said I would: the book officially releases today | 43,401 |
| "You can't go back" | 29,094 |
| "Always being late" - MOST CONTROVERSIAL | 28,086 |
| "Willie, if you can see this" | 27,807 |
| "Over 5,000 copies sold in the first 60 days of release" | 25,307 |
| The Courage of No - Video | 24,589 |

Personal Development Resources

Video Series for your New Year's Resolution

We have released nine personal development videos to help our supporters get better at keeping their promises and reaching their goals. These videos offer practical self-improvement habits and tactics:

Check out the full YouTube playlist of videos below!



In the news...

The because I said I would Diamond

Because I said I would was featured in news segments across the country this month for a jaw-dropping donation that was made to the organization. See the news story below!



Chapters

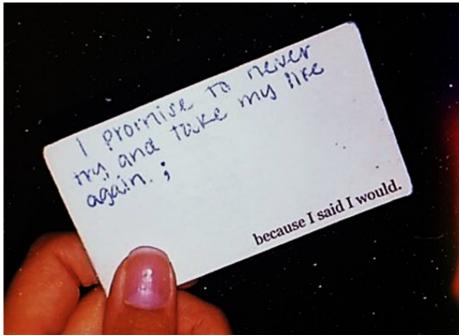
If it were easy, everyone would do it.

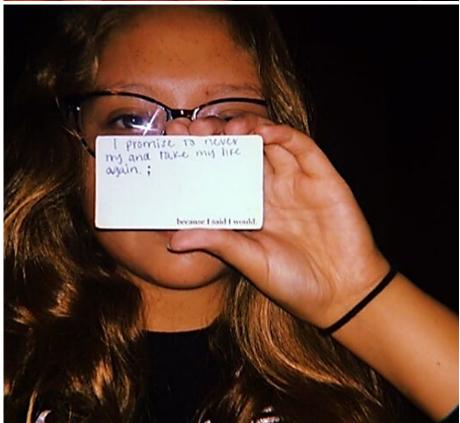
A message from the Founder:

Creating chapters that positively impact young lives is certainly difficult. Funding, program delivery, content development, school recruitment... everything seems to have roadblocks. Some have suggested just posting stuff online and whatever happens happens...

Hear me clearly: For the sake of our kids, we refuse to take the easy road. The promises these students are making require more support than some hastily-written social media post. Our on-location, local chapters help students develop self-control to face life's adversities at often vulnerable times. Donors, please know we are working hard to make the most of your generosity. We look forward to starting more in 2020. When my life ends, I hope to leave the world with 1,000 *because I said I would* chapters. If I have my way, the impact of this nonprofit will last so long and spread so wide that very few people will even know who started it. Thank you for believing in us.

-Alex Sheen, Founder





Student from a because I said I would chapter in Texas.
"I promise to never try and take my life again."

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