

### 1: Becoming Exceptional, Thanks to a Baldrige Feedback Report | Blogrige The Official Baldrige Blog

*Go to Becoming Exceptional Becoming Exceptional. My latest FREE eBook, Becoming Exceptional. A short and interactive eGuide where I share my personal experiences and tips of how I overcame the impossible and learned to become exceptional.*

But most of us are not effective at it. If you over saturate everyone with your complaints, they will not listen when you have a serious one. When you do complain, you need to get to the point quickly and with minimal offshoot information. As you research you will gain a better understanding of the issue and possible solutions to the problem. The best complaints have rationale behind them. Emotions, though valid, are more difficult for others to understand and even harder to remedy. People always seem to forget this one. What is the goal here? You need to be honest with yourself about what you are trying to achieve. When you create a goal you are able to stay more focused on the task and various steps to get there. Understand the casualties of entering a complaint situation. In all interactions you should understand the possibility of creating or receiving wounds. Will this create damage in the relationship, reputations, financial standing, or even your safety? All these should be weighed and understood before taking on this interaction. Gear your argument to your audience and what is in it for them. We are all worried about ourselves. It is much easier to get someone on board with your idea if you tell them how it will also benefit them. In this example Suvir Mirchandani understood that school districts are always looking for ways to clean up their budget and his proposed change would take very little effort on their part, but result in big gains. He knew his audience, the audiences general goals, and the solution was of minimal inconvenience. Take time to think. Go for a run, eat a meal, nap, scream into your pillow- whatever it takes for you to gain a clear picture. My Challenge to you: When you consider all these elements, your complaint is much more likely to be taken seriously. And at the end of all this complaint construction you realize that it is not as big of an issue as you thought- move on knowing you were thorough and thoughtful.

### 2: Becoming Exceptional Sermon by Robert Higgins, Exodus - [www.enganchecubano.com](http://www.enganchecubano.com)

*Becoming an Exceptional Executive Coach is the first book that brings all of these elements together to guide readers in developing their own personal model of coaching. The book begins with the foundation for executive coaching: definitions, competencies, and topics.*

All kidding aside, perhaps this is leading you to wonder: Without a plan, most parents default to what we call, Quick-Fix Parenting. This is the reactive, spontaneous, fly-by-the-seat-of-your-pants parenting. Using these quick fixes to solve problems does not help kids grow up to become healthy and independent young adults. You can become not just a good parent, but also an exceptional parent. By becoming an Intentional Parent. Along the way, we discovered 10 actions that are key to becoming intentional parents: Believe that your role as a parent is so vital that you make your parenting a priority. Make a deliberate choice to be vigilant about the examples you set for your kids by how you live your life. Realize that your behavior, speech and integrity are powerful teaching tools. Encouraging words are positive, life giving, powerful, and memorable. Appropriate and regular physical affection gives kids more security, better self-esteem, and healthier emotional balance. Plan, strategize, and even sacrifice in order to be present in the lives of your kids. A peaceful home is a safe home, giving kids a shelter from the storms of life. Discipline and love go together; they provide kids with needed guidance, care and concern. Provide opportunities for your children to develop responsibility and pursue healthy independence. For better or for worse, your kids will carry family memories into adulthood. Intentional parents pursue a path to ensure kids will have a flood of positive memories. Work to nurture and model a home environment where laughter and fun is the rule, not the exception. Their primary passion and joy have been family, but along the way they spent their years helping others – especially young people. They have worked at both Mariners and Saddleback Church in Southern California for three decades as youth, family, and teaching pastors. Doug is an author of more than 60 books, consultant, co-founder of [Downloadyouthministry.com](http://Downloadyouthministry.com). Cathy and Doug speak together on marriage and parenting and have more information available at [www.IntentionalParenting.com](http://www.IntentionalParenting.com). For more information on Intentional Parenting, visit [IntentionalParenting.com](http://IntentionalParenting.com).

### 3: 10 Ways to Be An Exceptional Parent

*This is a HEALING MEDITATION with the focus on releasing fear (fear of judgment/ rejection/ future/ failure/ unknowingness/ SPEAKING UP FOR YOURSELF/ quitting your job to follow your vision etc.).*

I wonder if I can conduct a quick quiz this morning. Can everyone grab a pencil or pen and jot down on the top line on your sermon guide, three or four things that are distinctive about yourself. What words would others use to describe you? I believe this is because few of us have a biblical understanding of holiness. Much of what we hold to about holiness has been learned from our Sunday School classes, hearsay, and assumptions we have absorbed from the world around us. Views of Holiness a. If we asked people on the street to describe a holy person, it is likely that we would get some of these responses: Someone who hides their troubles, carries a big bible and tells other people what not to do. A holy person is someone who is very religious. Holiness is to live in the town of Pleasantville, where there is no color. Perhaps you remember that movie—it was a strong attack on traditional values. Holiness is the opposite of fun! God created us for Holiness not Happiness. I was recently emailed a request from a member of our church to check out a popular self-help speaker. When I did, I discovered a great deal of mushy teachings by this person, including a quote that struck me wrong. This quotation made it sound as if somehow God created mankind to discover happiness and God was here to guarantee it. The highest goal of mankind, according to this teacher, is to be happy. My bible says something else. Holiness is the only thing that guarantees happiness. Could it be that when you meet someone who is genuinely holy, he or she is one of the few people who are genuinely happy? God is not an eternal blessing machine for men. He did not come to save me out of pity; He came to save me because He had created them to be holy. Even Christians have trouble agreeing on what Holiness is. Different denominations say different things about it, how it is attained, and what its purpose is. The bible has so much to say about holiness that it is nearly impossible to do a subject like this justice in just a short sermon. I will lay the groundwork for it, and God willing, we may continue this subject next week. The clearest illustration of holiness is evident in a passage from Exodus 3: So Moses said, "I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the bush is not burned up. How could the ground be holy? Why did God declare the ground holy? Had the sand changed in its character? Holy means separation or otherness. The ground had become holy because God had separated it as the unique place where he would reveal Himself to Moses. Had God chosen another place, it would have been equally holy. We can further illustrate this with a hypothetical example: I am going to have to take one of our personal collection to work with me tomorrow. As he sees it no longer as common or ordinary, but especially dedicated or separated to God, it becomes holy in a biblical sense of the word.

### 4: Dominic Bartola Speaker, Educator and Life Enthusiast

*In almost every case that I know of, to build an exceptional career, life or nation, one has to go through a gothic emancipation of discipline with a pointed focus on becoming incomparable. This.*

Audiences are captivated and in disbelief. From that point forward, it is pure inspiration. From the moment he walks on stage, his smile captivates you. His personal story is engaging, full of personal challenge, and uplifting with the spirit. Dominic has shown what it takes to succeed, when things are stacked against you. He speaks with an honesty, and openness, that endears him to the audience, and uplifts those listening, to believe in better things, and the power of positivity. Everyone needs to hear his story about growing up with enormous sacrifices so he could communicate without feeling differently than others. This perseverance and love between a father, man and his hearing dog, Plato make for an amazing story for the ages. I pray we all learn from you! I have seen him share his story and teach hundreds of people how to overcome challenges and discover their true purpose. I highly recommend Dominic! To see him in person is a treat, documenting his success principles that have allowed him to overcome such great odds. I have seen him speak on topics relating to personal development, leadership, marketing and business ownership! Not despite challenges, but because of HOW he faces the challenges. I love that Dominic captures his audience through his passion and commitment to a fulfilled life despite any obstacles or challenges that he has to face. When I am with Dominic or hear him share his story, he reminds me not to sweat the small stuff. He inspires me to stay positive. I have heard Dominic share his life story. His style uses facts, humor and personal emotional stories that immediately engage the audience. Hearing Dominic speak about his experiences growing up deaf, his relationship with his father, and how he overcame the impossible is interesting and very inspiring. One would never guess that Dominic has ever struggled with anything due to his positive and confident demeanor. Hearing his stories and seeing how he has confronted his hearing loss makes you realize that he never has seen this as a disability. Rather, it is a part of him that he embraces head on; he focuses on his strengths and this empowers others to do the same.

### 5: Surrogacy Program | Exceptional Benefits for Surrogates

*"Becoming Exceptional" I. Introduction. a. Quiz: i. I wonder if I can conduct a quick quiz this morning. Can everyone grab a pencil or pen and jot down on the top line on your sermon guide, three or four things that are distinctive about yourself.*

On the contrary, what I am going to do in this blog is simply suggest a pathway to being exceptional, not six or seven steps of anything because to me that is too intellectually pedestrian. I, therefore, highly recommend that you each investigate and define your unique pathway from being accomplished to that of being exceptional because each one of us has varying circumstances that preclude us from being exceptional. Either way, there is no pretext for inaction at the alter of exceptional living. Each one of us has to summon the universe to overcome our bottlenecks, while at the same time bring around the ideal circumstances needed to move from mere accomplishments to serious exceptional living. Whatever it is, the cardinal point in this blog is for you to get off your arrogant, accomplished ass and do something with your life that will make a transformative difference that advantages society as a whole. That is what Benjamin Franklin did: As a man passionate about making life easier for everyone, he invented products like the lighting rod, bifocals, odometer et al. That is what Henry Ford did for transportation. That is what Oprah Winfrey has done in television. These were all regular folk, and by regular I mean that we all start from nothingness and then, over time, we take that which has been given us and transform it into the miracle it ought to be. Using a biblical metaphor: We take the five loaves of bread and two fish and feed There is no competition for who is more exceptional than the other. Rather, there is a fear from the rest of us that we might miss out on our full potential because we were hiding behind our general accomplishments. The Power of Mentorship: With the above in mind, and as I mentioned in my last blog " The Difference Between Being Accomplished and Exceptional " , many of us are accomplished. What we need is to find one exceptional person who can teach us their ways so as to move to that higher level of completion or perfection. Lose the losers and flock with the winners! We move from being accomplished to exceptional through the power of a final discontent within ourselves, when we can no longer bear just being accomplished as a person and want to be part of something more meaningful and powerful in life. We need to take on something that can challenge us to the maximum so we are part of a bigger story. Like I said in my last blog, accomplishments are simply initiation steps in life. Their principle purpose is to serve as a conduit that provides for mental fortitude as a mnemonic tool you will need to become exceptional. For example, getting a college degree prepares you to learn patience and to develop stamina for long-term commitments to goals. Most people wrongly think that a college degree is attained in just four years. No, it actually takes about 15 years if you think about it! The process starts in preschool and goes all the way up into your 20s for most of us! Understand the Origin of Miracles: For an exceptional thing to happen, it has to be followed by a coming together of natural coincidences that organize our skills and talents in such a way that the idea of being more than just accomplished is fomented in almost a miraculous way. The organizing factor could be a disaster that befalls you, or the beautiful birth of your child that sets you upon a journey of self-introspection. The completion of that process forces you to put the pieces together, when others are simply overwhelmed by the idea itself. After you land on the concept or cause to champion in your niche space, then I recommend finding a support cast of exceptional friends and individuals to help you assemble the intellectual and material resources needed to make the inevitable jump from being accomplished to being exceptional. Most exceptional people create a situation where friends and foe can infuse informed critic of their work. Allowing for that helps an exceptional individual birth a real magnum opus. Understanding the Degree of Difficulty: This all happens over the accumulation of time, not in a single moment of arrogance. Like a brilliantly aged wine and cheese, it takes time and stubborn consistency to be exceptional as a person, a group, a society and as a nation. Unlike being accomplished, which also takes hard work, being exceptional is three or four times more difficult to achieve because it means you are trying to separate yourself from just being accomplished to being transformative. Exceptional people, therefore, practice twice as hard. They arrive at work before anyone else and leave after everyone is gone for the day. They are twice as much more patient than their accomplished counterparts. Exceptional people take more abuse because they can come off as

almost wanting it. They can be a subject of scorn and ridicule, as others view them as trying too hard to look smarter. When, in actual fact, they are trying to be better than themselves, rather than being in competition with their accomplished friends. This reminds me of a small but important story. Fellow engineers and artisans lambasted Gustave Eiffel the designer of the Eiffel tower for his effort to become exceptional: They ridiculed his lack of imagination and creativity. They wrote about the tower in the following epitaph: We, writers, painters, sculptors, architects and passionate devotees of the hitherto untouched beauty of Paris, protest with all our strength, with all our indignation in the name of slighted French taste, against the erection To bring our arguments home, imagine for a moment a giddy, ridiculous tower dominating Paris like a gigantic black smokestack, crushing under its barbaric bulk Notre Dame, the Tour Saint-Jacques, the Louvre, the Dome of les Invalides, the Arc de Triomphe, all of our humiliated monuments will disappear in this ghastly dream. And for 20 years Today the Eiffel tower is the most visited paid monument in the world with over 7. It received its millionth visitor in So much for the ridiculing class of the accomplished writers, painters, sculptors and passionate devotees! As Jim Rohn suggests in his famous book, *The Art of Exceptional Living*, exceptional human beings perfect the art of recreation. Because remember, only God creates raw materials, we as humans recreate from God-given raw materials arts of incredible beauty. We take a tree created by God and turn it into a beautiful piece of art or architecture. Rather just do ordinary things exceptionally well. What this really means is not superiority over other nations, but newness or a fresh approach to nation building, given how young America is compared to her sister nations in the West. Notions like the separation of church and state and the art of association, most cardinal the spirit of laissez-faire. What the aforementioned speaks volumes about is the determination by a dissimilar people from all walks of life that came to this country to start something new -- but more so, exceptional. Many were tired of religious persecution and bigotry, while others ironically came as a result of racism and bigotry. But what happens after that arrival was hard but important for the new denizen. In this new land one was to lay down the old beliefs and embrace a new idea for the sake of perfecting a union. That is what we need to do when moving from accomplished to exceptional. Revisit our old assumptions and see whether we need new ones for the new world of exceptional living. Assumptions are okay but they too have to evolve. The spirit of self-awareness starts to churn in America. Americans become the first nation to really have racial dialogue, which continues up to today. This discourse forced them into a civil war, again a perfecting tool for an exceptional nation. All these events and more are what forces America to become the exception to the rule. Think about it, in just years or so, Americans have been able to create a milieu in which the most powerful country has emerged, while her elder sister nations in Europe have lost their global leadership in essentially every area except for a few. The above successes and triumphs in America have come through blood, sweat and tears. In almost every case that I know of, to build an exceptional career, life or nation, one has to go through a gothic emancipation of discipline with a pointed focus on becoming incomparable. This goes for an individual as well as a nation. Exceptional nations are made up of exceptional people, perhaps even a great argument for immigration, if we were to go there. What I am suggesting in the idea of being exceptional is not so much the destination, but the journey through which one has to travel in order to be exceptional. Consider some of the people in our lifetime that have been exceptional. Nations like America are exceptional because they have, with genius precision, beat the odds through innovation and a Calvinist approach to life. But so are her denizens. Martin Luther King Jr. He skipped both the ninth and 12th grades, and entered college at age He then started his Ph. He got a Noble Peace Prize by age 35! What is striking about Dr. He was not a child of the most notable African American family in the U. Nor was he born with a silver spoon in his mouth. Rather, he was just a young man who, from the beginning of his life, chose a path of exceptional living, which eventually demanded the sacrifice of his life. They practice being perfect and perfect the art of practice. Every day, they accumulatively become greater. Their wins are circadian and, before you know it, up raises a giant Eiffel Tower of success. Being exceptional is a construct of a lifetime of work that is perfected by and through a devoted life of self-engineering. These exceptional beings are at your workplace getting "employee of the year" awards. They are at your school getting honors through harder work. They are mothers raising children in the ghetto with no help at all, recipients of regular insults from many of us as being languid and incompetent, while they

persevere even under threat of gang violence! They are your unsung heroes: Yes, exceptional people are regular people who have perfected the art of doing small things exceptionally well, every day over a lifetime. If you are potentially one of these unusual people and, yet, have opted to stay at the margins of this incredible gift of being exceptional, then you are missing out on a brilliant life! We all await your gift and talents to manifest Next blog share explore the "Power of Timing" in pursuit of an exceptional life.

### 6: Becoming an exceptional complainer. - Jessie the Therapist

*This is another of the things exceptional people do everyday. They have a solid belief in themselves, their abilities and their capacity to achieve their dreams and goals in life. The mind actualizes what you think of yourself and your abilities.*

### 7: What Makes Some People Exceptional and Others Just Accomplished? | HuffPost

*Becoming Exceptional: Communities of Practice Not that long ago, I helped launch a new internal organisation at my place of employment. It's not a committee or network; rather, it's an association of administrative counterparts, both unionised and non-union (management) employees.*

### 8: Becoming Exceptional: Communities of Practice | Exceptional EA

*Featuring hard-won wisdom from former operations supervisor and TDS Founder Barry Hardy, the book, co-published by BIC Media Solutions, provides practical advice to equip new Front Line Supervisors for their transition from operator to successful supervisor.*

### 9: How to Start - Becoming Magic | A Course in Manifesting an Exceptional Life

*This paper explores the work of "becoming exceptional" amongst a group of preservice teachers taking part in the National Exceptional Teaching for Disadvantaged Schools program (NETDS). The NETDS program is directed towards mentoring and supporting outstanding preservice teachers to transition into.*

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