Scott Weiss Portfolio Sample Editing

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Original Text—written by Henry Thomas Hamblin: The "Preface" section of Within You is the Power.

## **Original Text (392 Words)**

## PREFACE.

There is a power lying hidden in man, by the use of which he can rise to higher and better things.

There is in man a greater Self, that transcends the finite self of the sense-man, even as the mountain towers above the plain.

The object of this little book is to help men and women to bring their inward powers of mind and spirit into expression, wisely and in harmony with universal law; to build up character, and to find within themselves that wondrous Self, which is their real self, and which, when found, reveals to them that they are literally and truly sons of God and daughters of the Most High.

There is no way whereby the discipline of life can be avoided. There is no means by which fate can be "tricked," nor cunning device by which the great cosmic plan can be evaded. Each life must meet its own troubles and difficulties: each soul must pass through its deep waters, every heart must encounter sorrow and grief. But none need be overwhelmed in the great conflicts of life, for one who has learned the great secret of his identity with the Universal life and Power, dwells in an impregnable city, built upon and into the Rock of Truth, against which the storms of life beat in vain.

While this little work does not offer any vain promises of an easy life—for, if this were possible, it would be the greatest of all disasters—but rather endeavours to show how to become so strong that life looks almost easy by comparison (the life or fate does not change or become easier, but the individual alters and becomes stronger), yet, it does show the reader how to avoid making his life more difficult than it need be. Most people's lives would be less filled with trouble and suffering if they took life in the right spirit and acted in harmony with Universal Law.

It is hoped that this little book may help many to come into harmony with life's law and purpose and thus avoid much needless suffering: to find the Greater Self within, which discovery brings with it a realization of absolute security: to bring into expression and wisely use their inner spiritual and mental forces and thus enter a life of overcoming and almost boundless power.

## **Revised Text (365 Words)**

## PREFACE.

There is a power hidden in people that they can use to rise to higher and better things. Within each person is a greater Self that transcends the finite self of the senses as a mountain towers over a plain.

The goal of this little book is to help people express their inner powers of mind and spirit—wisely and in harmony with universal law—to build their character and find within themselves that wondrous Self (their real self). When people find this Self, it reveals to them that they are literally and truly sons of God and daughters of the Most High.

The discipline of life is unavoidable. There's no way to trick fate and no cunning device by which to evade the great cosmic plan. Each life must meet its own troubles and difficulties; each soul must pass through its deep waters; and every heart must encounter sorrow and grief.

But no one needs to be overwhelmed by the great conflicts of life. Because those who have learned the great secret of their identification with the Universal life and Power dwell in an unconquerable city built upon and into the Rock of Truth, against which the storms of life beat in vain.

This little work doesn't offer empty promises of an easy life, because if this were possible it would be the greatest of all disasters. Rather, it aims to show how to become so strong that life looks almost easy by comparison. Life or fate doesn't change or become easier—the individual transforms and becomes stronger. Yet this book does show readers how to avoid making their lives more difficult than necessary. Most people would have less trouble and suffering in their lives if they took life in the right spirit and acted in harmony with Universal Law.

The hope is that this little book will help many avoid much needless suffering by coming into harmony with life's law and purpose to find the Greater Self within—a discovery that brings a realization of absolute security. Through this harmony, people can express and wisely use their inner spiritual and mental forces to enter a life of overcoming and almost boundless power.

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