



# Hang tough!

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*“Now it’s time to practice hanging tough. That’s a necessity, because every accomplishment, every success, has to go through tough times... Patience is the possibility thinker’s all-powerful secret weapon.”*

Robert Schuller: *If It’s Going To Be It’s Up To Me*

A friend who works as an accountant told me about one of his clients who had quit his job to start an accounting business of his own. Every year at tax time, the man complained that he could be making more money with a lot fewer hours and taking less risk if he simply folded up the company and went back to his old job. This went on every April for 13 years. Then, during the 14<sup>th</sup> year the man sold the business for more money than he’d made in all the previous years of his working life.

There was, of course, no guarantee of that happy outcome during those first 13 years of toil and travail, but there is a guarantee that had he quit he would have gone back to Go without his \$200 and had to start all over again.

Another of Schuller’s books is titled *Tough Times Never Last, But Tough People Do*. The question is how important is your biggest dream to you, and how badly do you want it? Are you willing to hang tough?

One more thing – and this is very important: be tough *with* yourself by having high expectations but do not be tough *on* yourself with abusive self-talk when you don’t always live up to them. Just try harder tomorrow.

**Be tough with yourself without being tough on yourself**