

# Commitment

Commitment is when you have inspired yourself into the sisterhood or the brotherhood of the unashamed.

When you possess an inner-most spirit and desire.

When your die has been cast; when your decision has been made.

When you have chosen to step over the line, stand up and be counted and become a Disciple of the Determined.

When you won't look back, let up, slow down, back away or be still.

When your past has been redeemed, when your present makes sense, when your future is secure.

When you're finished and done with low-livin', light walkin', small plannin', smooth knees, dullin' dreams, tamed vision, mundane talk, cheap givin' and dwarfed goals.

When you live by faith; when you lean on your strengths; when you walk with confidence; when you're lifted by prayer and you're labored by love.

When your direction is set; when your gait is fast, your goal is real, your road is narrow, your way is rough, your companions are few, but your Guide is reliable and your mission is clear.

When you cannot be bought, compromised, deterred, lured away, turned back, deluded or delayed.

When you will not flinch in the Face of Sacrifice or pause in the Presence of Procrastination.

When you refuse to negotiate at the Table of Fear, ponder at the Pool of Popularity or meander in the Maze of Mediocrity.

When you won't give up, let up or shut up until you've stayed up, stored up, prayed up and paid up and become the person that God intended you to be.

What you think about, you bring about.

When you are committed, that's when you stand out from mediocrity.

When your desire dominates your doubts, when your performance precedes your procrastination and when your purpose in life is greater than your problems. . .

**. . . That's when you have Commitment.**