## Lesson 20 Never Give Up on Your Goal

*Even when it feels like you aren't accomplishing much, don't give up.* A tree grows in the Far East called Chinese bamboo. For four years they water and fertilize it with seemingly no results. During the fifth year they again apply water and fertilizer and in five weeks' time the tree grows ninety feet in height. The obvious question is: did the Chinese bamboo tree grow ninety feet in five weeks, or did it grow ninety feet in five years? The answer is, of course, it grew ninety feet in five years. Any time during those five years it would have died if it had not been watered and or fertilized.

Many times our attempts to reach our dreams and goals appear fruitless. We are tempted to give up and quit trying. Instead, continue to water and fertilize those dreams and goals, nurturing the seeds that God has placed within you. If you do not quit, if you display perseverance and endurance, you will reap a bountiful harvest!

## Assignment:

- 1. Prepare your Six Most Important Things to do for today.
- 2. Write out a powerful new affirmation. Use the following sentence structure:

"I used to \_\_\_\_\_, but not any more. Now I

For example, "I used to procrastinate, but not any more. Now I am known everywhere and to everyone as an action person, a do-it-now person. I always do first those things that move me closer to my goal, and I do them with joy."

- 3. Think back over the last month of our Pacesetter Class. Where do you see personal growth? What have you learned? What have you conquered? Send me an evaluation of this Pacesetter Class. What did it do for you? How will it affect your future?
- Become a member of the "NO EXCUSES" Club. Think now what you will do these next 30 days. Whatever you choose, commit to it – no matter what – no excuses. Let me know what you commit to.