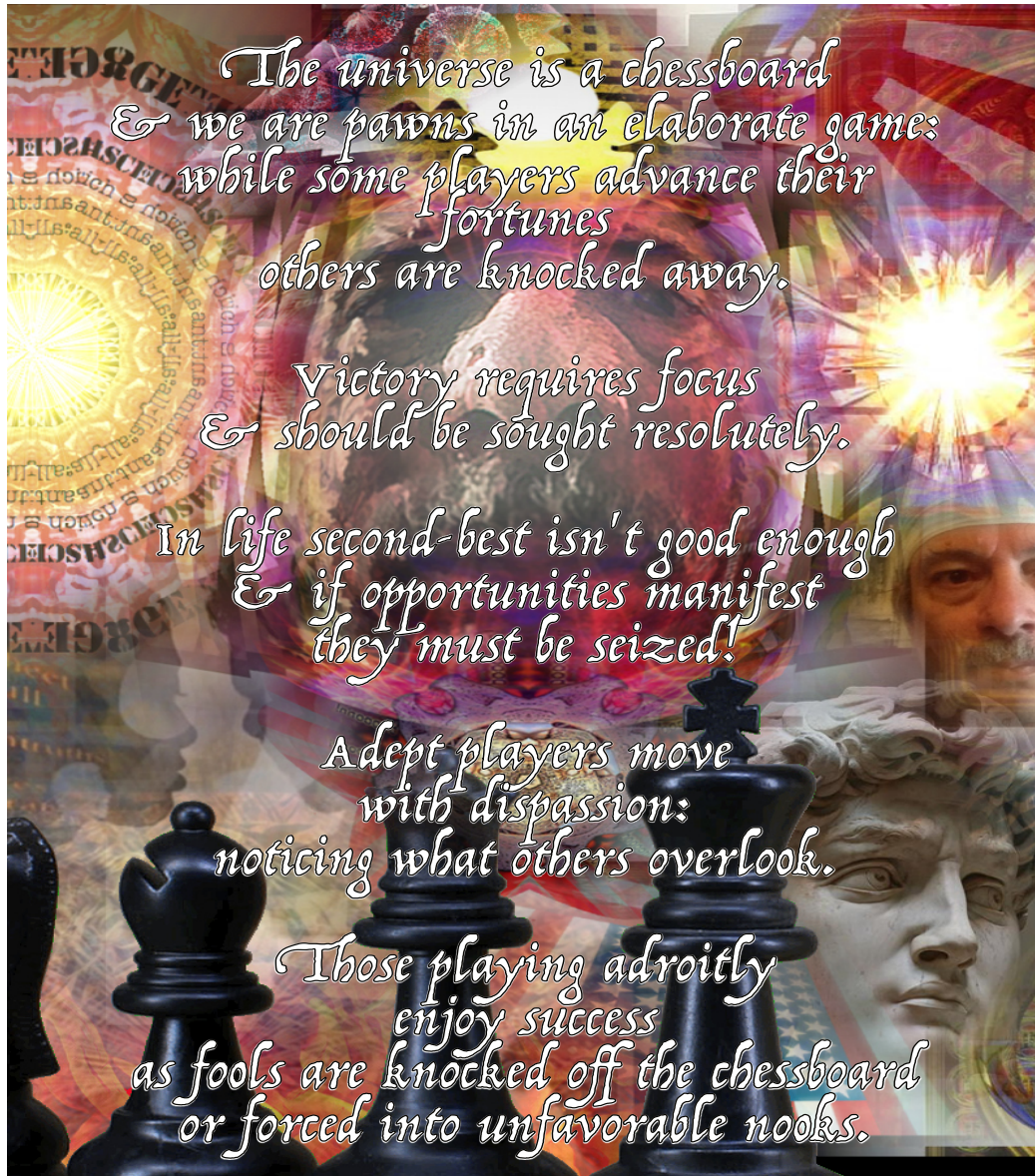


BOARD GAME

Why we need to transcend winner-takes-all mindsets



*The universe is a chessboard
& we are pawns in an elaborate game:
while some players advance their
fortunes
others are knocked away.*

*Victory requires focus
& should be sought resolutely.*

*In life second-best isn't good enough
& if opportunities manifest
they must be seized!*

*Adept players move
with dispassion:
noticing what others overlook.*

*Those playing adroitly
enjoy success
as fools are knocked off the chessboard
or forced into unfavorable nooks.*

Nadia: (shaking her head) This is not the way I see life.

Wan-Sze: Nor do I. However, many people regard life as a zero-sum "us vs. them" game.

Will: (pausing) Perhaps multiple games are going on at the same time. Most of them we are completely unaware of.

– T Newfields

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