

THE (WO)MAN IN THE ARENA

“It’s not the critic who counts;
not the one who points out
how the strong (wo)man stumbled,
or where the doer of the deed
could have done them better.
The credit belongs
to the (wo)man in the arena;
who strives valiantly;
who fails and comes up short again;
whose face is marred,
by dust and sweat and blood;
who knows the great enthusiasm,
the great devotion,
and spends himself in a worthy cause.

Who, at best,
knows in the end
the triumph of high achievement;
and who, at worst,
if (s)he fails, at least fails while daring greatly,
so that their place shall never be
with those cold and timid souls
**WHO KNOW NEITHER VICTORY
NOR DEFEAT.”**

Step in to the arena...
Strive valiently...
Spend yourself in a worthy cause...
Dare greatly...

Coach

Theodore Roosevelt
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