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Progress, Not Perfection

It's action, not inaction, practice not theory, and progress not perfection that builds success, achieves results and actualizes dreams.

After hearing me speak at a conference, a young woman sought me out. She was struggling with this concept of progress not perfection, and asked for advice. "How do you do it?" she asked. "How do you accept something as finished when you know it could be better?" She proceeded to tell me that she was managing a project that was over budget and nine months past the deadline. Her boss had made his displeasure clear. Yet, she struggled. "If only I had more time to do it right," she pined.

There's a difference between doing *your best under the circumstances*, and trying to achieve perfection. Whatever our work, we must move it forward to get results. Our work is a work in progress. And so are we.

So unlike many who spend their days trying to make something perfect, people who are winning at working spend their days making progress. Making progress, any progress, fuels their motivation, creativity and energy. It builds their momentum. And it ignites their results.

