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OPEN YOUR EYES.

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We spend all our lives dreaming of things that we don't even try to achieve, complaining about how we live and what we have, wishing for time to go fast and keeping ourselves from actually living. We look forward to the future and we step over the present, and we don't realize that the present is the future that we dreamed of in the past.

Life goes by and it is our job to make the most of it or just wait for death to come without really living. Time won't stop to help you apprehend you are wasting it, time will just go on and on and it may be too late when you open your eyes, maybe you will only have time to regret what you missed.

We claim to be free but the reality is completely different. Our freedom is limited by fears, judgments and prejudices. Our freedom is caged and we are too blind to see it, or maybe we just don't want to see because if we did we would have to do something about it and we are too lazy to take life in our hands and direct it consciously.

Everything I have told you in this humble piece of writing was told to me some years ago. This gave me the courage to take matters into my own hands and be the director and producer of my life, my destiny and me. Unfortunately, the person who taught me all this discovered it very late. He became aware of this while he was living his last days and his breaths were coming to an end. He whispered to me, with his eyes full of tears, every word I just told you, and that he regretted losing the chance to live life to the fullest, but that he would die peacefully because he got the chance to open my eyes and he knew I would open someone else's eyes too.

Don't wait until it is too late to fix everything, every second of life and every breath you take can be wisely used. It only takes one second to go from living to dead and you will never know when this will happen but death is a fact for all of us, so make the most of your short life because once it is gone it will never come back.