



Glance Back...Move Forward

Have you ever paid attention to car design?

Think about how the typical vehicle is configured. There are two small side-view mirrors and one small rear-view mirror. And, of course, there's a sizeable front windshield.

What's behind this design? The message seemingly is that to glance back and take stock of what's been passed or what's trailing, to see what's to the right and the left and immediately behind, makes good sense. However, considering the dimensions of those devices compared to the windshield also tells the story that greater attention should be paid to what lies ahead. Devote too much time to backward looking, and a crash is imminent.

So, as we prepare to end one year and enter another, let's apply this car analogy to work and life.

Each of us is positioned squarely in the driver's seat. Check your mirrors; adjust them for maximum visibility and range. Glance back at the year's highs and lows. Take stock of the victories and the defeats. Glean from the encouragement and the hard-earned lessons.

Then, look forward! The year ahead is that huge window in front of you. Yes, on the journey you should glance back occasionally so that you don't forget, so that you use that rear-facing knowledge to aid you as you go. But, the joy of the journey is in what lies ahead; it's in making progress, not in spending an inordinate amount of time looking back and getting lost in what is past.

Here's wishing you a journey from the old year into the new that is safe, insightful, and steered toward success!

All the best,

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*"You have to find hope. *** You tend to look in the rearview mirror for hope, but when it's gone, you have to look forward. You have to get in the van and keep driving on."*
~Jonathan Evison

"We don't want to get distracted by looking back; we need to move forward."
~Valerie Jarrett

"The longer we keep looking back in the rearview mirror; it takes away from everything that's moving forward."
~Dan Quinn

"I never dwell on what happened. You can't change it. Move forward. Don't waste your energy on being angry at something that somebody did 6 months ago or a year ago. It's over. Done. Move forward."
~Joan Rivers

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