



## Responsibility is Taking the Correct Path Elvan Aladdin

Responsibility in my eyes: you grasp responsibility in your hands, like a painting. Something beautiful. Perfectly made yet at the same time, not perfect at all. Something that carries great purpose. Something that never over any age loses its value. But you watch as over time it's being painted over by warm and cool shades. Flickers of brown, splashes of purple, until you've lost sight of what was once a clear motivating piece of art. Now a blob of opinion, media, and public. The idea of what it truly means being taken over, like a hard shell forming over soft layers. Try seeing through it for once! In a new angle instead of seeing it how everybody wants to see it.

Responsibility is not feeling great because what you did was beneficial to you. It's the opposite actually. It's knowing you did the right thing. It's owning up even when there's a price you have to pay with it. It's putting your foot down, where others cower and sprint to find a place to hide. It's speaking up in a lost sidetracked-crowd, even if you know you might stand alone. It's taking that risk of doing what's right no matter how it turns out. It's not 3-2-1, it's <u>GO</u>. It's being the big sister to the little, even if you're afraid. It's wiping that picture that was once corrupted by a swarm of thought, to find the real art that lay beneath it.

And on those deathly cold nights on my back porch when I take a deep breath of the chilling air and gaze up at the stars, responsibility is the thing I aspire to be. It's especially the difference that I adore. The blue fish in the school of orange. Even if it's just a dent on the floors of a jam-packed city that people step on day and night. No matter how big or small it is, or how much it gets rained on and stepped on, it's there. And it's there to stay. Because after the deserts you've had to trudge through, and the thunderstorms you got drenched through, you did the right thing. After all, responsibility is taking the correct path of many. And at the end of the day when you get pushed to step up responsibility is with you. When I crash and shatter, responsibility is the main piece that I will always pick up first to help me put back the rest of the pieces. It's the winning lottery ticket everybody dreams of. Responsibility is inside me. It's inside you. It's inside us. You just have to embrace it.

Responsibility in my eyes: A right mixed in wrongs, the choice that changes everyday people. For it is a force that is stronger than us. One that is bigger than us. One that is beyond us.