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Hope, the most influential driving force, that has lifted numerous individuals and nations from the depths of darkness to the illuminous top of prosperous and progressive civilization. Hope is playing the role of a rope that has tied up all the essential components of the life. In other words, hope is the veil between life and death. Where there is hope, there is life, but as soon as hope is lost, life will be engulfed in the embrace of death. It is more than mere wishful thinking. Hope ignites ambitions

and empowers individuals to break the shackles of slavery and hardships to achieve the acme of success and pleasure of happiness. Throughout history, hope has driven people to achieve extraordinary feats, persevere through adversity, and unite for common causes. From leaders who transformed nations to individuals who emerged victorious as they overcame immense odds. In a world fraught with uncertainty, hope offers a vision for a better future, inspiring resilience, and enduring

faith that lie ahead.

To begin with, hope plays significant role in personal motivation. There is strong link between hope and resilience, as hope provides strength and courage to persevere. Hope is the voice being capable to revive the hero within every individual. **Helen Keller** of USA can best define the strong connection between hope and resilience. She lost her sight and hearing at a very young age, but still she tried her best to catch the bird of hope, and she succeeded. She

, despite her disabilities, raised her voice for public, and proved that the link between hope and resilience is unbreakable. Putting it briefly, hope has crucial role in personal motivation which becomes as meaningful source of life.

Similarly, hope has also a very important role in overcoming personal challenges. It provides strength and courage to get out from harsh challenges. Hope paves ways for a bright and prosperous future. This can be exemplified through the

Example of **Nelson Mandela**,
an anti-apartheid revolutionary,
who despite being imprisoned
for 27 years still had
raised his voice against
apartheid government. There
was nothing, but only the
hope which emerged him
a victorious man in the
history of South Africa.
In short, hope is the greatest
force to overcome personal
challenges.

In addition to it,
hope act as a source of
strength in adversities. It
can transform despair
into determination. It provides
courage to people to get

over the insurmountable challenges. It enables a person to cross the wide ocean of challenges to achieve the goal of peace and freedom. This can be better better explain by exemplifying **Mahatma Gandhi** who strived for the independence of India against the colonial rulers. Despite the extreme hardships, he remained determined, because the hope was the greatest driving force. To sum it up, in numerous and insurmountable adversities, hope is a source of strength and courage.

In this backdrop, just as hope is life, and life itself is hope, if either one ceases to exist, the other also fades away. If there is life, then stress, depression, despair, and anxiety — like the challenges of Yajuj-Majuj — will also arise. To overcome these unending waves of storm, hope can serve as a strong barrier as it has a great psychological impact on mental health. In this regard, **Franklin D. Roosevelt**, the 32nd president of the United States, demonstrated the transformative power of hope. Through his optimistic

and reassuring words, he uplifted the people of America during the great depression. This shows that hope has great psychological impact on mental health.

Furthermore, hope has great influence on social and collective movements to unite communities. Hope acts as a rope to bind the individuals with shared aspirations to achieve their common goal either of justice and rights, or other than it. **Martin Luther King Jr.**, the leader of the American civil rights movement, exemplified the power of

hope in uniting individuals against racial segregation and discrimination. Cutting it short, to unit communities and to foster collective movements, hope can has a great influence thus serving as greatest driving force.

In this background hope has a crucial role in inspiring social change to diminish the evils of injustice, discrimination, inequality, and marginalization.

One of the most influential example of hope as a social change can be found in the example of prophet Muhammad (S.A.W)

who despite facing immense opposition, persecution, and personal loss, hoped for a just and equitable society. He (P.B.U.H) succeeded through the establishment of the Islam to unite the tribes of Arabia.

Summing it up, hope has a very important role in inspiring social changes and it proved the fact that hope is the greatest driving force.

similarly, hope plays a crucial role in hope-driven movements. It has uplifted nations from the swamp of slavery

to the honorable place known as democratic throne.

South Africa and independence of India are the examples of such hope-driven movements. To end the argument, hope-driven movements have uplifted countries proving that hope is the greatest driving force.

Moreover, hope is perfectly connected to vision and purpose acting as a key element in setting goals and achieving purpose. It has the capacity to convert dreams into reality. It provides stamina to people to cope

the with the challenges of life, and results in numerous inventions. **Albert Einstein**, who despite ~~of~~ facing various rejections in his early career, still held hope, and became a ~~the~~ renowned scientist of history. It showed that hope is a key element in setting goals and achieving purpose, and fostered the fact that hope is the greatest driving force.

Similarly, hope plays the role of key element in sustaining long-term goals. It is the hope which influence people to

put their efforts in ~~the~~ order to achieve sustainable long-term goals. Similarly, there are the examples of the countries who significantly overcame their miseries just in the hope of their bright illuminous future.

Japan after (WWII) is the profound example. In the aftermath of the devastating war, Japan left in ruins as their economy and cities were completely shattered. Despite this misery, Japan uplifted, because there was collective hope. Thus, it proved that hope is the greatest driving force.

Hope — also has its role in philosophy and religion, or it would be better to say that hope has been a central theme in philosophy and religion, shaping perspectives on human's existence, purpose, and resilience. In philosophy, hope emerges as an element of both existentialism and optimism. Existentialism, for example, focuses on individual freedom, choice, and search for meaning in the world. **Soren Kierkegaard**, was considering hope as an antidote to despair. In

contrast, optimistic philosophies emphasizes a belief in the inherent goodness of life and the potential for positive outcomes. In short, considering these views, hope is also a key element in philosophy in context of existentialism and optimism.

On going deep in the discussion, there are several teachings about hope in various religion. First, in Islam, hope is deeply rooted in faith in Allah's mercy and guidance. Believers are encouraged to remain

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hopeful even in difficult times, as reflected in **Quranic Verse**: "So truly where there is hardship there is also ease (94:6)

Second, in Christianity, hope is one of the three theological virtues (along-side faith and charity). Christians are taught to have hope in God's promises, believing in salvation, divine love, and redemption, as highlighted in the **Bible**: "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer" (**Romans 12:12**). Third, in Buddhism, hope is tied to the concept of cultivating

a positive mind through right thought and action. To sum it up, hope withal emphasizes is stressed out in different religions.

Furthermore, hope and despair often sit on opposite ends highlighting the fine line between them. Hope drives towards positive mind and the potential to achieve goals, while despair paralyze it. Additionally, there is a clear boundary between realistic hope and blind optimism. Realistic hope paves ways removing obstacles on the practical approach, while blind optimism usually eschews the barriers lying in its path. **The US' Apollo**

11 Mission offers a powerful example of realistic hope. The mission to land a man on the moon was not based on blind optimism, but on realistic hope.

As hope has manifold positive facets, so losing hope can lead to falling in despair. When hope is lost, it springs out anxiety, depression, hopelessness, ultimately leading to inaction which can deteriorate mental health.

This can be better explain through the example of **Great Depression - USA** in 1930s. The economic collapse led to mass unemployment, poverty, and

wide-spread despair. This hopeless era gave birth to social unrest, increased crime rates, and deteriorating health conditions. Putting it briefly, losing hope can cause the rise of various social, political, and economical disparities.

In conclusion, the journey of hope begins even before a child enters this world, starting from the moment life takes form as a tiny cell. It grows and endures throughout a person's existence. Hope does not cease with death; it transcends mortality, persisting in the belief of divine grace and mercy.

It extends beyond this earthly life, nourishing the soul's aspirations for the life to come. As well said by **Emily Dickinson**, "Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul - and sings the tunes without the words - and never stops - at all." Hope is indeed the greatest driving force as it has its role in personal motivation, in providing strength in adversities, better mental health, collective movements, inspiring social change, setting goals and achieving purposes, and in achieving future progress. It can have serious consequences, if

it loses. Lack of hope can lead to despair. To cutting the long arguments of hope as a greatest driving force, it is the big yes with warm approval and acceptance that it is indeed the greatest driving force.

