

# Wallace Wattles

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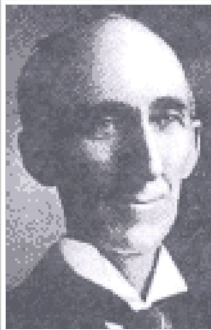


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**Wallace Delois Wattles** (1860-1911) was an American author and a pioneer success writer.

His most famous work is a 1910 book called *The Science of Getting Rich* in which he explains how to get rich. He personally "tested" the



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principles he describes in his book and they worked, as although he had lived most of his life in poverty, in his later years became rich. Other books by Wallace include *A New Christ*, *Health Through New Thought and Fasting*, *The Science of Being Great*, *The Science of Being Well*, *Making of the Man Who Can* and a novel, *Hellfire Harrison*.<sup>[1]</sup>

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## Biography

Little is known about Wattles' life. He was born in the USA shortly before the civil war, and experienced much failure in his earlier years. Later in life he took to studying the various

religious beliefs and philosophies of the world including those of Descartes, Spinoza, Gottfried Leibniz, Schopenhauer, Hegel, Swedenborg, Ralph Waldo Emerson, and others. It was through his tireless study and experimentation that he claimed to have discovered the truth of New Thought principles and put them into practice in his own life. He began to write books outlining these principles. He practiced the technique of creative visualisation and as his daughter Florence relates, *"He wrote almost constantly. It was then that he formed his mental picture. He saw himself as a successful writer, a personality of power, an advancing man, and he began to work toward the realization of this vision. He lived every page ... His life was truly the powerful life."*

## Quotations

*"You don't have to get something for nothing, but can give to every person more than you take from him."*

*"By thought, the thing you want is brought to*

*you. By action, you receive it."*

*"When you make a failure it is because you have not asked for enough. Keep on, and a larger thing than you were seeking will certainly come to you."*

*"There is never any hurry on the creative plane, and there is no lack of opportunity."*

*"The grateful mind is constantly fixed upon the best. Therefore it tends to become the best. It takes the form or character of the best, and will receive the best."*

*"The object of all life is development; and everything that lives has an inalienable right to all the development it is capable of attaining."*


*"Give a little child a pencil and paper, and they begin to draw crude figures; That which lives in them is trying to express Itself in art. Give them a set of blocks, and he will try to build something; That which lives in them is seeking expression in architecture. Seat them at a piano, and they will try to draw harmony from*

*the keys; That which lives in them is trying to express Itself in music. That which lives in man is always seeking to live more [...]."*

## References

1. ^ <http://wallacewattles.wwwhubs.com/>

## See also

-  Wallace D. Wattles: *The Science of Getting Rich* on Wikisource
- Law of Attraction

## External links

- The Science of Getting Rich - PDF
- The Science of Getting Rich - online version
- The Science of Getting Rich - Free E-book and reliable affiliate program.
- The Science of Being Great
- The Science of Being Well

## Related Research and Books

- How to Master Abundance and Prosperity - Wallace Wattles - The Science of Getting Rich Decoded (An Executive Summary) ISBN 1-4257-1035-2

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