10 Steps (*i*) to Blending Creativity and Spirituality in Your Life

Insights from Brandon Mull's LDSPMA 2020 Keynote Address

Commit to your craft.

Understand that it takes time, practice, and effort to get good at a craft, just like it takes time to develop Christlike attributes.

Keep practicing.

If you have an itch to create, don't stop: keep working at it, no matter how long it takes to reach the success you want.

Anchor your dreams and efforts to your gospel knowledge.

As uncertain as a future in creativity might be, the gospel's certainty makes up for all that.

Open yourself up completely to Heavenly Father.

His simple "yes" or "no" answers can give you the confidence to make difficult career decisions.

Make the best choices you can.

Always give your best effort. Even if Heavenly Father's "yes" answer takes time, He will put you in the right place at the right time to receive promised blessings.

Obey the direction you receive from Heavenly Father.

"If [you're] going to bother to ask and He's going to bother to answer, [you'd] better do what He says."

Let God guide you.

He will lead you to use your talents in publishing and media in ways that you never would have thought you could.

Create media with light.

As a disciple of Christ, make sure that everything you create has some light in it. Make sure you'd be proud to associate your name with it and present it to the Savior.

"Don't forget to have the Master Creator on your side."

The Savior showed us how to bring light into the world through creativity.

Focus on coming closer to Christ.

That effort will elevate everything else in your life, including your creative pursuits in publishing and media.

