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The meaningful credit belongs to the person who enters the arena, accepts the risk of failure, and keeps working toward something worthwhile.

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Most people are quick to point out where the work went wrong. Fewer are willing to take responsibility, carry their share, and keep showing up when the job gets hard.

Roosevelt's standard is plain: character matters more than polish, success alone does not prove worth, and even failed effort has value when someone dares greatly for a worthy purpose. Good work also requires self-control, common sense, cooperation, courage, and the willingness to pull your own weight first.

I'm putting together a short, practical reading built around that standard-not motivational talk, but a reminder for people who do the work while others comment from the sidelines.

Would you be open to taking a look?