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Turning tragedy into triumph!

In his book, *Something to Smile About*, Zig Ziglar shares the following powerful story about turning tragedy into triumph:

Many years ago, a shoemaker was teaching his nine-year-old son his craft to prepare him for life. One day, an awl fell from the shoemaker's table and tragically put out the eye of his son. Without the medical knowledge and expertise of today, the son ended up losing not only that eye but the other one, as well.

His father put him into a special school for people without sight. At that time, they were taught to read by using large carved wooden blocks. The blocks were clumsy and hard to handle. The shoemaker's son knew there must be an easier and better way. Over the years, he devised a new reading system for people who were blind by punching dots into paper. To accomplish his objective, the son used the same awl that had blinded him. Yes, you have probably guessed who this was. His name was Louis Braille.

What a powerful message for all of us!

When we are confronted with challenges, instead of starting thoughts or sentences with, "The problem is . . .", change it to, "The opportunity for change is . . .", or "The opportunity for improvement is . . .", or "The opportunity for growth is . . ."

We unlock possibilities, as well as our best skills and talents to be used.

Be triumphant this week!

