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Rhymes for Reasons!

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Onboard Chip

There is inside my very head, a chip programmed by things I've said.
It records my every thought and deed, and forms my every wish and need.
Habits learned and burned into - that chip create what I can do.
My future's filtered through a glass, made from memories of my past.
In daily choices my chip seems to limit me to my past dreams.
It blocks new things that come my way and leaves me with my yesterday.
But, at last, today I see - I am in charge of the chip in me!
And since I program that chip of mine, I can change ME anytime.
I can decide to reprogram and build a better WHO I AM.
Here's a little special tip - you TOO have an onboard chip.
Choose your thoughts and words with care, the future YOU building there!

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Smile

I know it isn't easy when things look bleak and dark
To curl your lips and tell your eyes it's time for them to SPARK!
But SMILING on the outside will warm your inside so;
Your SMILE will make another SMILE and then two smiles will glow!
So through life's daily ups and downs show forth a smiling face.
Just SMILE and pass it warmly on, you'll make a better place!

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Life's Not Always Just Nor Fair

Now here's a little truth I'll share, "Life's not always just nor fair."
You'll have your ups and downs, that's true, but staying down is up to you.

So if you're knocked about a bit, stumble and fall but never quit.
Stand back up, that's what you do, 'cause staying down is up to you.

Face the forces of despair and smile them down without a care.
You are in charge there is no doubt; success is how YOU work things out.

So "fair" or "not" is not the fret. It's what you do with what you get.
The message here is always true, "It's not what happens. It's what you do."

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Blaming

Pointing the finger of blame requires the curling back of three.
It's nature's way of pointing out the blame must rest with me.

Now that is not a bad thing, as you can plainly see.

For if the blame is mine alone, so must the credit be.

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Can't Yet

"I can't" is not a phrase for me.
It's not the goal that I will see,
For I determine what will be.

If by accident I forget
And say "I can't," then it's a bet
That I will quickly add a YET!

There's nothing here that I CAN'T do.
I know my dreams can all come true.
"CAN'T YET" IS WHAT I CHOOSE TO DO!

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Rule #1 for Success

When life seems like a minefield with choices full of "do's" and "don'ts,"
Punctuated now and then with various "wills" and "wonts,"
And you're looking for THE ANSWER 'cause you know it's up to YOU;
It isn't always easy, it might hurt a time or two,
But it's really very simple... **Do what you say you'll do!**

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Good Enough

All too often "good enough" is where the "weak hearts" stop.
It keeps the very best in them from rising to the top.

"Enough" implies just getting by, and "good" falls short of best.
So "good enough" is average stuff and seldom meets the test.

But you don't have to settle there. You have what it takes.
Push yourself to do your best; it's how you get the "breaks."

Remember that the choice is yours and you alone choose either;
But those who win are those who know that "good enough" is neither!

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My Creed

Today I'll do those countless things that others will not do,
so that tomorrow I can choose from things they cannot do.
You see, I'm the only me there is and now what I must do,
Is be the best ME I can be by what I CHOOSE to do.

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Casey's Prayer

Thank you, God, for this great day, and all the things that came my way.
And with tomorrow's coming light, help me to always do what's right.
Please help me walk in happy shoes and learn from every path I choose.
The lessons that are there for me to be the best me I can be.
So when I lay me down to rest, we'll know I've done my very best.

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