

GIVEN ANOTHER LIFE

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- ❖ **I would have gone to bed when I was sick instead of pretending the earth would go into a holding pattern if I weren't there for the day visiting office.**
- ❖ **I would have burned the pink candle sculpted like a rose, before it melted in storage.**
- ❖ **I would have talked less and listened more.**
- ❖ **I would have invited friends over to dinner, even if the carpet was stained or the sofa faded.**
- ❖ **I would have eaten the popcorn in the 'good' living room and worried much less about the dirt when someone wanted to light a fire in the fireplace.**
- ❖ **I would have taken the time to listen to my grandfather and other elders ramble about their youth.**
- ❖ **I would have shared more of the responsibility carried by my spouse.**
- ❖ **I would never have insisted the car windows be rolled up on a summer day because my hair had just been teased and sprayed.**
- ❖ **I would have sat on the lawn without worrying about the grass stains.**
- ❖ **I would have cried and laughed less while watching television or movie and more while watching life.**
- ❖ **When my kids kissed me impetuously, I would never have said, "Later. Now go get washed up for dinner." There would have been more of "I love you's." and more of "I'm sorry's."**

But mostly, given another shot at life, I would seize every minute...look at it and really see it and live it with a purpose. I would stop sweating the small stuff.
