

Be a Useful Member of Society

Every morning, I answer the question “What is important to me?” One of the answers is “Be useful”.

Benjamin Franklin has been teaching it 300 years ago. Charlie Munger is teaching it today.

The idea is simple:

Be a useful member of society.

Remember [Charlie Munger's Three Basic Rules](#): Don't sell things you wouldn't buy yourself. This alone would solve many problems of society.

[Benjamin Franklin](#) always tried to be useful. He started one of the first public subscription libraries. A volunteer fire department. He owned a newspaper. Published useful books. He started the [American Philosophical Society](#), still existing today. And so many other things.

If we could all be a little more like Ben Franklin, the world would be a better place.

Earning money and making a profit are important. But more important is to always ask yourself: Is what I'm doing useful? How can I be more useful? How can I be of service to humanity?

One way I try to be useful is this blog. I try to share everything I learn, and making a tiny contribution to the improvement of humanity. May you find it helpful.