

167: Painful Lessons Growing an 8 Figure Business

10 Point Checklist

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Want to gain as much knowledge as possible out of The Optimized Geek? Read on below for a **10 point checklist** that gives the next, real steps you can take for introducing these insights and optimizing your life.

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**“Transparency and honesty are more important
than preserving the status quo.”**

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10 STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TODAY

Want to take charge of your health, wellness, and success? Here are 10 steps that can move you closer to your goals – today.

- Don't fall into a trap that there's only one path to becoming a venture-backed company. Focus on building value and opportunities for my clients.
- Be honest and transparent. At the end of the day, my success is defined by the relationships that I build.
- Hire people that shares and displays the same values and culture of my company. Honesty is non-negotiable and so as humility.
- Do my research. Don't just believe what's being presented to me but strive to know the numbers.
- Be patient. Build a sustainable business with proven results of scaling my companies' growth even if it takes time.
- Develop a healthy lifestyle. My best investment is myself, therefore, I should learn how to properly take care of myself.
- Manage my time wisely. Being busy doesn't mean I'm being productive. Strategize and use tools that are effective and drives efficiency.
- Beware of startup companies that promote growth hacking and pivoting. Following the trend is not always the best route.
- Identify the right metrics for my business that are impactful and effective. Without over optimizing things, find the balance between a short-term goal and a long-term goal.
- Grab a copy of Rand's book called Lost and Founder and the book that he co-authored called The Art of SEO.

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