SECRET. The Secret is the Law of Attraction (LoA), which says you attract into your life whatever you want, with positive thinking, while removing negative thought. First you must clearly define your dream in your mind; then - the idea is - if you are committed to it, you'll initiate the actions that manifest the dream in your physical life.

However, beware! You can set yourself up for immense disappointment. The Law of Attraction requires your input - simply wishing for riches will not be enough. It is your talent, skill, commitment and effort that are the secrets to your success.

On my list of Things To Do* I say: don't have expectations (adopt stoicism). I believe - after studying Krishnamurti's work - this advice is a great aid to happiness. The LoA encourages expectations ... which often cannot be met; this in turn may lead to crippling depression.

In case you can cope with a different angle on positive thinking, Bright-Sided by Barbara Ehrenreich is a terrific, albeit sobering read. ("Some much needed negativity is applied to the business of positive thinking in this hilarious, devastating critique." Katha Pollitt)

on sale at Amazon Why The Secret Is Wrong by Catherine Magree, see my blog 829 see also KRISHNAMURTI, MONEY, RATIONALISM, THINKING, *THINGS TO DO (appendix)