Twitter Thread by Route 2 FI ■





I reached financial independence and quit my 9-5 job this week at 33 years old to work with my own projects.

A thread with lessons about:

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One day in 2018 when I was in my 9-5 cubicle, I thought to myself while I stared out of the window:

How could I continue waking up every morning and be totally unexcited about everything I was going to do day after day?

This led me to Google:

"How to quit my job forever".

You know the rest of the story.

Early Retirement Extreme and Mr. Money Mustache are the first pages popping up.

I read everything in a couple of days.

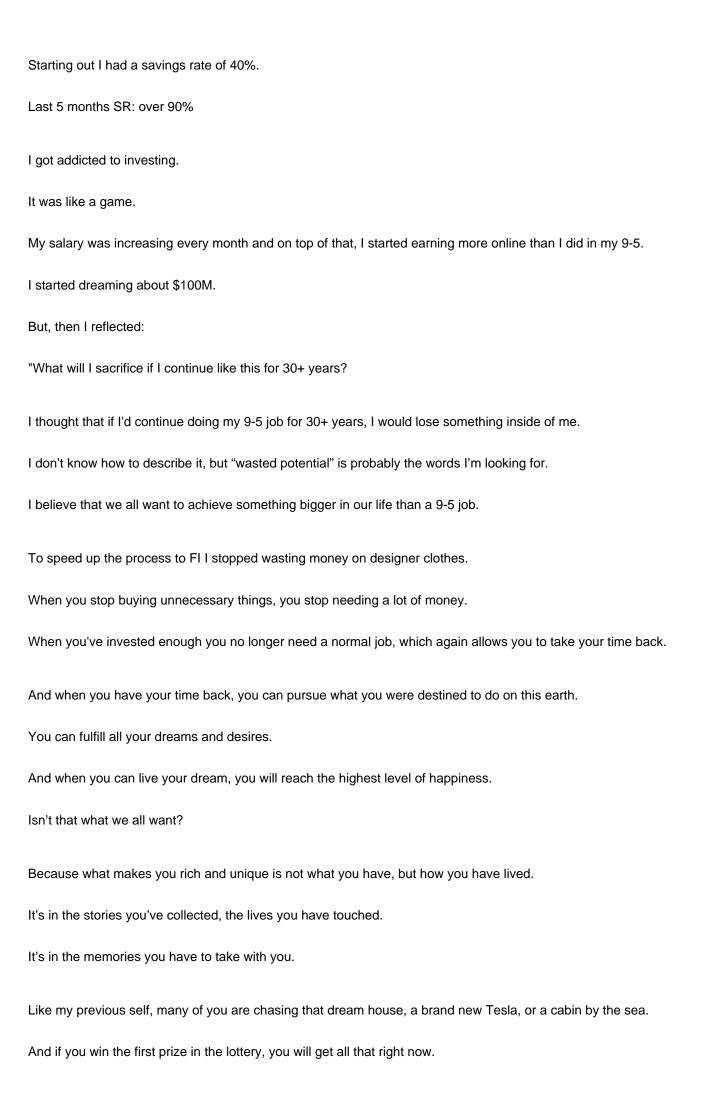
There was really no way back.

WTF, could I guit my job in a couple of years by investing?

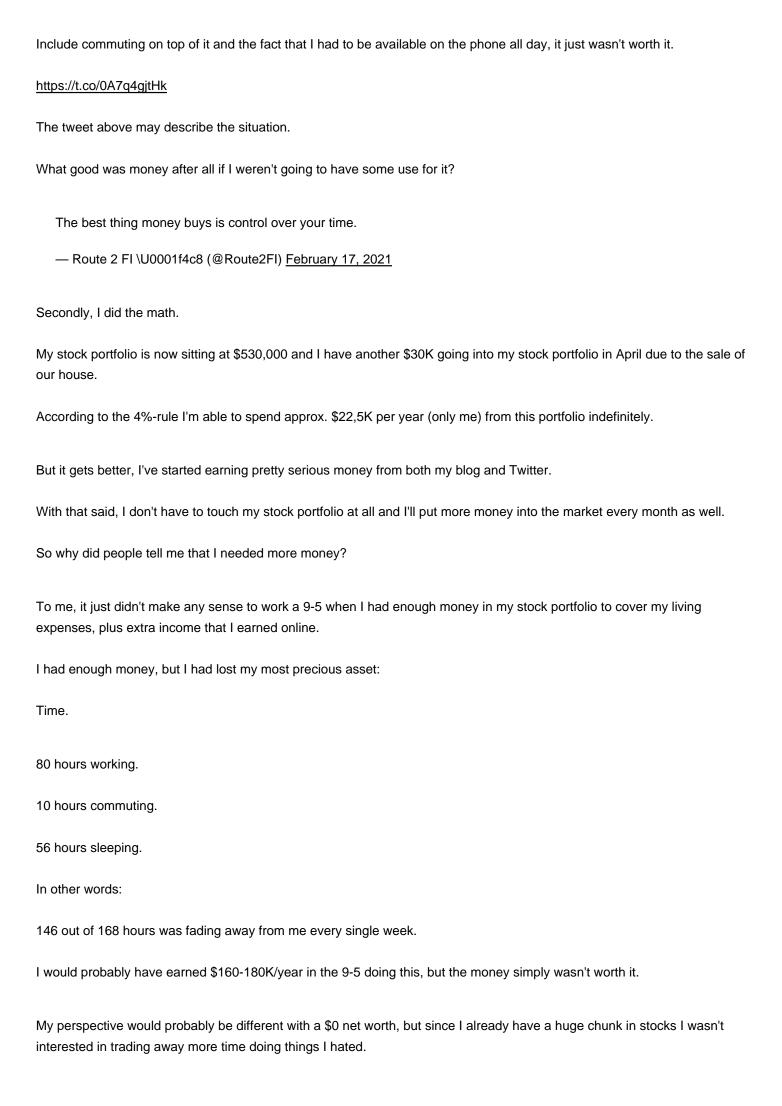
I have always been pretty good at handling money, but earlier on I'd just pay down my mortgage faster.

Now I was going all-in on investing.

I started saving and earning more money by changing my 9-5 job.



But would all those things make you happy?
What if you got all of that tomorrow?
What would be your next move?
Would you continue to work?
Probably you would answer that you were going to spend the rest of your time on Earth doing the thing you loved, eg. travel, spend time with your loved ones and finally catch up on all your hobbies.
If you find yourself unhappy, not having the time or money to live the life you desire, start asking yourself, why?
What are you missing in your life?
I'll bet you're spending too much time working, and not enough time on the things you love.
Think about the stuff you're buying.
Is it bringing your dream closer? Or pushing it further away?
What is your ideal lifestyle, and how much does it cost you to live that?
Now that's what you should aim for.
At least that's how I'm thinking.
Back to my story again
My last job was as a manager for a small company within the engineering field.
I was paid a \$115,000 base salary for a 37,5-hour workweek.
Every additional hour was paid \$85. And I also had a brand new car which I could use both at work and private.
So why did I quit this?
For two reasons.
Firstly, I quickly understood that this job was going to kill me slowly.
Already in the first month, I clocked in at 85 hours, which highly affected my lifestyle.
There was no time to work out, reading books, write, and even less time for family/friends.



It was like if I've lived my whole life in the service of others, having no time for what I wanted.
It's a great feeling to be financially free, but I have to say that it's a weird feeling not getting that monthly paycheck anymore.
It's like I've been trained and conditioned to get a monthly salary.
I guess you could say I'm institutionalized.
About being institutionalized:
Think about Brooks in "Shawshank Redemption", who served in prison for 50 years.
Brooks can't adjust to the outside world and eventually hangs himself.
This is the same feeling I have after being released from the 9-5.
Not hanging myself though.
When I was released from the 9-5 this week, you would have expected it to be the best week ever but I was actually pretty freaked out about the whole thing.
I had been thinking about FI daily for the last 3 years, but when I first was free I started thinking:
"Now what?"
Financial independence was a long-term goal that I guess I never actually pictured achieving.
Or at least not so fast.
Being here now feels unreal.
I no longer follow the norm in society and I have 40 - 60 years left of my life to fill with what I want.
If you liked the thread I would really appreciate it if you could RT the first post ■:
https://t.co/bwxZCrq656
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If you're interested in doing the same and spend more time in freedom and away from the 9-5, why not make a plan to become financially independent?

My book gives you the blueprint to how you can retire from your 9-5 in 5 years!

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Have been a little inactive lately, but now that I have 100% control over my time, I am ready to pump out lots of content!