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Silence is the universal refuge, the sequel to all dull discourses and all foolish acts, a balm to our every chagrin, as welcome after satiety as after disappointment; that background which the painter may not daub, be he master or bungler, and which, however awkward a figure we may have made in the foreground, remains ever our inviolable asylum, where no indignity can assail, no personality can disturb us.

- Thoreau, Henry David

My faith is the grand drama of my life. I'm a believer, so I sing words of God to those who have no faith. I give bird songs to those who dwell in cities and have never heard them, make rhythms for those who know only military marches or jazz, and paint colors for those who see none.

- Messiaen, Olivier

Nothing can come of nothing.

- Shakespeare, William

Loyalty is still the same, whether it win or lose the game; true as a dial to the sun, although it be not shined upon.

- Butler, Samuel

Power is not an institution, and not a structure; neither is it a certain strength we are endowed with; it is the name that one attributes to a complex strategical situation in a particular society.

- Foucault, Michel

Make it simple. Make it memorable. Make it inviting to look at. Make it fun to read.

- Burnett, Leo

To free the mind from the habit of competition, we must see in detail the process by which the mind is ensnared by competition.

- Beecher, Marguerite

Men who are resolved to find a way for themselves will always find opportunities enough; and if they do not find them, they will make them.

- Smiles, Samuel

Winners are those people who make a habit of doing the things losers are uncomfortable doing.

- Foreman, Ed

Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light, not our darkness, that most frightens us. We ask ourselves, who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented, fabulous? Actually, who are you NOT to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small does not serve the world. There is

nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It is not just in some of us, it is in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others.

- Williamson, Marianne

Anyone can live heroically and successfully for one day. The man who achieves a high purpose makes that day the pattern for all the days of his life.

- Unknown, Source

Man is not weak; knowledge is more than equivalent to force.

- Johnson, Samuel

The majority have no other reason for their opinions than that they are the fashion.

- Johnson, Samuel

Few people are capable of expressing with equanimity opinions which differ from the prejudices of their social environment. Most people are even incapable of forming such opinions.

- Einstein, Albert

Someone's opinion of you does not have to become your reality.

- Brown, Les

People who treat other people as less than human must not be surprised when the bread they have cast on the waters comes floating back to them, poisoned.

- Baldwin, James

It's not a slam at you when people are rude -- it's a slam at the people they've met before.

- Unknown, Source

The only cure for contempt is counter-contempt.

- Mencken, H. L.

The difference between a saint and a hypocrite is that one lies for his religion, the other by it.

- Antrim, Minna

The public do not know enough to be experts, but know enough to decide between them.

- Butler, Samuel

Growth for the sake of growth is the ideology of the cancer cell.

- Abbey, Edward

The key to success is to keep growing in all areas of life -- mental, emotional, spiritual, as well as physical.

- Erving, Julius

I don't know a greater advantage, than to appreciate the worth of an enemy.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Our present time is indeed a criticizing and critical time, hovering between the wish, and the inability to believe. Our complaints are like arrows shot up into the air at no target: and with no purpose they only fall back upon our own heads and destroy ourselves.

- Temple, Sir William

Change starts when someone sees the next step.

- Drayton, William

Written laws are like spider's webs; they will catch, it is true, the weak and the poor, but would be torn in pieces by the rich and powerful.

- Anacharsis

Losers make promises they often break. Winners make commitments they always keep.

- Waitley, Denis

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