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The tragedy of life is in what dies inside a man while he lives -- the death of genuine feeling, the death of inspired response, the awareness that makes it possible to feel the pain or the glory of other men in yourself.

- Cousins, Norman

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

- Unknown, Source

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

Be NOBLE! and the nobleness that liesIn other men, sleeping, but never dead,Will rise in majesty to meet thine own.

- Lowell, James Russell

To do an evil act is base. To do a good one without incurring danger, is common enough. But it is part of a good man to do great and noble deeds though he risks everything in doing them.

- Plutarch

To generous souls every task is noble.

- Euripides

The cynic is one who never sees a good quality in a man, and never fails to see a bad one. He is the human owl, vigilant in darkness and blind to light, mousing for vermin, and never seeing noble game.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

To be humble to superiors is duty, to equals courtesy, to inferiors nobleness.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Ridicule often checks what is absurd, and fully as often smothers that which is noble.

- Scott, Sir Walter

The sure mark of one born with noble qualities is being born without envy.

- La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

What a piece of work is a man! How noble in reason, how infinite in faculty, in form and moving how express and admirable, in action how like an angel, in apprehension how like a god -- the beauty of the world, the paragon of animals!

- Shakespeare, William

Health is the condition of wisdom, and the sign is cheerfulness -- an open and noble temper.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

That which in mean men we entitle patience is pale cold cowardice in noble breasts.

- Shakespeare, William

It is more noble by silence to avoid an injury than by argument to overcome it.

- Beaumont, Francis

To be good is noble, but to teach others how to be good is nobler and less trouble.

- Twain, Mark

The desire for safety stands against every great and noble enterprise.

- Tacitus, Publius Cornelius

There is a noble manner of being poor, and who does not know it will never be rich.

- Seneca

There is nothing noble in being superior to some other person. The true nobility is in being superior to your previous self.

- Proverb, Indian

All noble enthusiasms pass through a feverish stage, and grow wiser and more serene.

- Channing, William Ellery

Manners are not idle, but the fruit. Of loyal nature and of noble mind.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

No art can be noble which is incapable of expressing thought, and no art is capable of expressing thought which does not change.

- Ruskin, John

Anger is a noble infirmity; the generous failing of the just; the one degree that riseth above zeal, asserting the prerogative of virtue.

- Tupper, Martin

Be noble minded! Our own heart, and not other men's opinions of us, forms our true honor.

- Schiller, Johann Friedrich Von

Never does the human soul appear so strong and noble as when it forgoes revenge and dares to forgive an injury.

- Chapin, Edwin Hubbel

The kind of relatedness to the world may be noble or trivial, but even being related to the

basest kind of pattern is immensely preferable to being alone.

- Fromm, Erich

What spirit is so empty and blind, that it cannot recognize the fact that the foot is more noble than the shoe, and skin more beautiful that the garment with which it is clothed?

- Michelangelo

The lack of objectivity, as far as foreign nations are concerned, is notorious. From one day to another, another nation is made out to be utterly depraved and fiendish, while ones own nation stands for everything that is good and noble. Every action of the enemy is judged by one standardevery action of oneself by another. Even good deeds by the enemy are considered a sign of particular devilishness, meant to deceive us and the world, while our bad deeds are necessary and justified by our noble goals which they serve.

- Fromm, Erich

More than once I had seen a noble who had gotten his enemy at a disadvantage stop to pray before cutting his throat.

- Twain, Mark

To be really great in little things, to be truly noble and heroic in the insipid details of everyday life, is a virtue so rare as to be worthy of canonization.

- Stowe, Harriet Beecher

The only service a friend can really render is to keep up your courage by holding up to you a mirror in which you can see a noble image of yourself.

- Shaw, George Bernard

Men of real merit, whose noble and glorious deeds we are ready to acknowledge are not yet to be endured when they vaunt their own actions.

- Schines

To attempt the destruction of our passions is the height of folly. What a noble aim is that of the zealot who tortures himself like a madman in order to desire nothing, love nothing, feel nothing, and who, if he succeeded, would end up a complete monster!

- Diderot, Denis

What a devil art thou, Poverty! How many desires -- how many aspirations after goodness and truth -- how many noble thoughts, loving wishes toward our fellows, beautiful imaginings thou hast crushed under thy heel, without remorse or pause!

- Whitman, Walt

Selective ignorance, a cornerstone of child rearing. You don't put kids under surveillance: it might frighten you. Parents should sit tall in the saddle and look upon their troops with a noble and benevolent and extremely nearsighted gaze.

- Keillor, Garrison

Make no little plans. They have no magic to stir men's blood and probably themselves will

not be realized. Make big plans. Aim high in hope and work. Remembering that a noble, logical diagram once recorded will not die.

- Burnham, Daniel H.

To read well, that is, to read true books in a true spirit, is a noble exercise, and one that will task the reader more than any other exercise which the customs of the day esteem. It requires a training such as the athletes underwent, the steady intention almost of the whole life to this object.

- Thoreau, Henry David

In poverty and other misfortunes of life, true friends are a sure refuge. The young they keep out of mischief; to the old they are a comfort and aid in their weakness, and those in the prime of life they incite to noble deeds.

- Aristotle

The presence of a noble nature, generous in its wishes, ardent in its charity, changes the lights for us: we begin to see things again in their larger, quieter masses, and to believe that we too can be seen and judged in the wholeness of our character.

- Eliot, George

Wondrous hole! Magical hole! Dazzlingly influential hole! Noble and effulgent hole! From this hole everything follows logically: first the baby, then the placenta, then, for years and years and years until death, a way of life. It is all logic, and she who lives by the hole will live also by its logic. It is, appropriately, logic with a hole in it.

- Ozick, Cynthia

I am speaking now of the highest duty we owe our friends, the noblest, the most sacred --that of keeping their own nobleness, goodness, pure and incorrupt. If we let our friend become cold and selfish and exacting without a remonstrance, we are no true lover, no true friend.

- Stowe, Harriet Beecher

There are obstinate and unknown braves who defend themselves inch by inch in the shadows against the fatal invasion of want and turpitude. There are noble and mysterious triumphs which no eye sees. No renown rewards, and no flourish of trumpets salutes. Life, misfortune, isolation, abandonment, and poverty and battlefields which have their heroes.

- Hugo, Victor

Commerce has set the mark of selfishness, the signet of its all-enslaving power, upon a shining ore, and called it gold: before whose image bow the vulgar great, the vainly rich, the miserable proud, the mob of peasants, nobles, priests, and kings, and with blind feelings reverence the power that grinds them to the dust of misery.

- Shelley, Percy Bysshe

Infatuation is when you think that he's as sexy as Robert Redford, as smart as Henry Kissinger, as noble as Ralph Nader, as funny as Woody Allen, and as athletic as Jimmy Conners. Love is when you realize that he's as sexy as Woody Allen, as smart as Jimmy Conners, as funny as Ralph Nader, as athletic as Henry Kissinger, and nothing like

Robert Redford--but you'll take him anyway.

- Viorst, Judith

A mere literary man is a dull man; a man who is solely a man of business is a selfish man; but when literature and commerce are united, they make a respectable man.

- Johnson, Samuel

It is the working man who is the happy man. It is the idle man who is the miserable man.

- Franklin, Benjamin

There is a great man who makes every man feel small. But the real great man is the man who makes every man feel great.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

We should not say that one man's hour is worth another man's hour, but rather that one man during an hour is worth just as much as another man during an hour. Time is everything, man is nothing: he is at the most time's carcass.

- Marx, Karl

The gods conceal from men the happiness of death, that they may endure life.

- Lucan, F. L.

There are few things more difficult than to appraise the work of a man suddenly dead in

his youth; to disentangle promise from achievement; to save him from that sentimentalizing which confuses the tragedy of the interruption with the merit of the work actually performed.

- Pound, Ezra

Death was afraid of him because he had the heart of a lion.

- Proverb, Arabian

Once the game is over, the king and the pawn go back into the same box.

- Proverb, Italian

I am going to seek a great purpose, draw the curtain, the farce is played.

- Rabelais, Francois

Death is a distant rumor to the young.

- Rooney, Andy

One who does not know when to die, does not know how to live.

- Ruskin, John

To fear love is to fear life, and those who fear life are already three parts dead.

- Russell, Bertrand

Death is more universal than life; everyone dies but not everyone lives.

- Sachs, A.

If Nature denies eternity to beings, it follows that their destruction is one of her laws. Now, once we observe that destruction is so useful to her that she absolutely cannot dispense with it from this moment onward the idea of annihilation which we attach to death ceases to be real what we call the end of the living animal is no longer a true finish, but a simple transformation, a transmutation of matter. According to these irrefutable principles, death is hence no more than a change of form, an imperceptible passage from one existence into another.

- Sade, Marquis De

When the body sinks into death, the essence of man is revealed. Man is a knot, a web, a mesh into which relationships are tied. Only those relationships matter. The body is an old crock that nobody will miss. I have never known a man to think of himself when dying. Never.

- Saint-Exupery, Antoine De

There is no cure for birth and death save to enjoy the interval. The dark background which death supplies brings out the tender colors of life in all their purity.

- Santayana, George

The white man's dead forget the country of their birth when they go to walk among the stars. Our dead never forget this beautiful earth, for it is the mother of the red man.

- Seattle, Chief

A punishment to some, to some a gift, and to many a favor.

- Seneca

But I will be a bridegroom in my death, and run into a lover's bed.

- Shakespeare, William

After life's fitful fever he sleeps well. Treason has done his worst. Nor steel nor poison, malice domestic, foreign levy, nothing can touch him further.

- Shakespeare, William

Nothing in his life became him like the leaving it.

- Shakespeare, William

I want to be all used up when I die.

- Shaw, George Bernard

I love to see a young girl go out and grab the world by the lapels. Life's a bitch. You've got to go out and kick ass.

- Angelou, Maya

Does our ferocity not derive from the fact that our instincts are all too interested in other

people? If we attended more to ourselves and became the center, the object of our murderous inclinations, the sum of our intolerances would diminish.

- Cioran, E. M.

There is only one way left to escape the alienation of present day society: to retreat ahead of it.

- Barthes, Roland

Without alienation, there can be no politics.

- Miller, Arthur

Do you really think, Arthur, that it is weakness that yields to temptation? I tell you that there are terrible temptations that it requires strength, strength and courage, to yield to.

- Wilde, Oscar

Teach only love for that is what you are.

- A Course In Miracles

Women wish to be loved not because they are pretty, or good, or well bred, or graceful, or intelligent, but because they are themselves.

- Amiel, Henri Frederic

The more connections you and your lover make, not just between your bodies, but

between your minds, your hearts, and your souls, the more you will strengthen the fabric of your relationship, and the more real moments you will experience together.

- Angelis, Barbara De

Love's greatest gift is its ability to make everything it touches sacred.

- Angelis, Barbara De

Wicked men obey from fear; good men, from love.

- Aristotle

Love is the victim's response to the rapist.

- Atkinson, Ti-Grace

We must love one another or die.

- Auden, W. H.

What the world really needs is more love and less paper work.

- Bailey, Pearl

Love is just a system for getting someone to call you darling after sex.

- Barnes, Julian

The fate of love is that it always seems too little or too much.

- Barr, Amelia E.

If you have it [Love], you don't need to have anything else, and if you don't have it, it doesn't matter much what else you have.

- Barrie, Sir James M.

Love is the river of life in the world.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

You can't blame gravity for falling in love.

- Einstein, Albert

Gravitation can not be held responsible for people falling in love

- Einstein, Albert

Love is the total absence of fear. Love asks no questions. Its natural state is one of extension and expansion, not comparison and measurement.

- Jampolsky, Gerald G.

Love is not to be purchased, and affection has no price.

- Jerome, St.

Love doesn't make the world go round. Love is what makes the ride worthwhile.

- Jones, Franklin P.

Do you want me to tell you something really subversive? Love is everything it's cracked up to be. That's why people are so cynical about it. It really is worth fighting for, being brave for, risking everything for. And the trouble is, if you don't risk anything, you risk even more.

- Jong, Erica

Love is much like a wild rose, beautiful and calm, but willing to draw blood in its defense.

- Overby, Mark

Love is like quicksilver in the hand. Leave the fingers open and it stays. Clutch is, and it darts away.

- Parker, Dorothy

No woman marries for money; they are all clever enough, before marrying a millionaire, to fall in love with him first.

- Pavese, Cesare

Love and work are the cornerstones of our humanness.

- Freud, Sigmund

We cease loving ourselves if no one loves us.

- Stael, Germaine De

A man falls in love through his eyes, a woman through her ears.

- Wyatt, Woodrow

People who are sensible about love are incapable of it.

- Yates, Douglas

Organizations that remain vital show their new employees that they are needed. At the same time, they never forget the value of their long-service employees. And they always give both a second chance.

- Unknown, Source

In an expanding universe, time is on the side of the outcast. Those who once inhabited the suburbs of human contempt find that without changing their address they eventually live in the metropolis.

- Crisp, Quentin

I am an invisible man. I am a man of substance, of flesh and bone, fiber and liquids -- and I might even be said to possess a mind. I am invisible, understand, simply because people refuse to see me.

- Ellison, Ralph

Learning Zen is a phenomenon of gold and dung. Before you understand it, it's like gold; after you understand it, it's like dung.

- Saying, Zen

Widow. The word consumes itself.

- Plath, Sylvia

A widow is a fascinating being with the flavor of maturity, the spice of experience, the piquancy of novelty, the tang of practiced coquetry, and the halo of one man's approval.

- Rowland, Helen

When we suffer anguish we return to early childhood because that is the period in which we first learnt to suffer the experience of total loss. It was more than that. It was the period in which we suffered more total losses than in all the rest of our life put together.

- Berger, John

Pain hardens, and great pain hardens greatly, whatever the comforters say, and suffering does not ennoble, though it may occasionally lend a certain rigid dignity of manner to the suffering frame.

- Byatt, Antonia S.

No one ever told me that grief felt so like fear.

- Lewis, C. S.

The only cure for grief is action.

- Lewis, George Henry

Grief can't be shared. Everyone carries it alone. His own burden in his own way.

- Lindbergh, Anne Morrow

Those who don't know how to weep with their whole heart don't know how to laugh either.

- Meir, Golda

Since grief only aggravates your loss, grieve not for what is past.

- Percy, Walker

Time heals old pain, while it creates new ones.

- Proverb, Hebrew

Nothing becomes so offensive so quickly as grief. When fresh it finds someone to console it, but when it becomes chronic, it is ridiculed, and rightly.

- Seneca

The human heart dares not stay away too long from that which hurt it most. There is a return journey to anguish that few of us are released from making.

- Smith, Lillian

My conception of the audience is of a public each member of which is carrying about with him what he thinks is an anxiety, or a hope, or a preoccupation which is his alone and isolates him from mankind; and in this respect at least the function of a play is to reveal him to himself so that he may touch others by virtue of the revelation of his mutuality with them. If only for this reason I regard the theater as a serious business, one that makes or should make man more human, which is to say, less alone.

- Miller, Arthur

Maybe all one can do is hope to end up with the right regrets.

- Miller, Arthur

By whatever means it is accomplished, the prime business of a play is to arouse the passions of its audience so that by the route of passion may be opened up new relationships between a man and men, and between men and Man. Drama is akin to the other inventions of man in that it ought to help us to know more, and not merely to spend our feelings.

- Miller, Arthur

A playwright is the litmus paper of the arts. He's got to be, because if he isn't working on the same wave length as the audience, no one would know what in hell he was talking about. He is a kind of psychic journalist, even when he's great.

- Miller, Arthur

I love her too, but our neuroses just don't match.

- Miller, Arthur

All war represents a failure of diplomacy.

- Benn, Tony

Anyone who has ever looked into the glazed eyes of a soldier dying on the battlefield will think hard before starting a war.

- Bismarck, Otto Von

War is like love, it always finds a way.

- Brecht, Bertolt

A just war is hospitable to every self-deception on the part of those waging it, none more than the certainty of virtue, under whose shelter every abomination can be committed with a clear conscience.

- Cockburn, Alexander

That strange feeling we had in the war. Have you found anything in your lives since to equal it in strength? A sort of splendid carelessness it was, holding us together.

- Coward, Noel

Reject hatred without hating.

- Baker Eddy, Mary

Hatred is self-punishment. Hatred it the coward's revenge for being intimidated.

- Ballou, Hosea

Hatred is the vice of narrow souls; they feed it with all their littleness, and make it the pretext of base tyrannies.

- Balzac, Honore De

There is no faculty of the human soul so persistent and universal as that of hatred.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Never in this world can hatred be stilled by hatred; it will be stilled only by non-hatred -- this is the law of eternal.

- Buddha

Hatred is inveterate anger.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Hatred -- The anger of the weak.

- Daudet, Alphonse

Love blinds us to faults, but hatred blinds us to virtues.

- Ezra, Iba

Hating people is like burning down your own house to get rid of a rat.

- Fosdick, Harry Emerson

Hatred is something peculiar. You will always find it strongest and most violent where there is the lowest degree of culture.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We can scarcely hate anyone that we know.

- Hazlitt, William

If you hate a person, you hate something in him that is part of yourself. What isn't part of ourselves doesn't disturb us.

- Hesse, Hermann

Passionate hatred can give meaning and purpose to an empty life.

- Hoffer, Eric

When our hatred is violent, it sinks us even beneath those we hate.

- La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

The angry man will defeat himself in battle as well as in life.

- Maxim, Samurai

When angry, count four; when very angry, swear.

- Twain, Mark

The size of a man is measured by the size of the thing that makes him angry.

- Unknown, Source

Next to inflation, majority rule is the most ingenious scheme ever contrived by government. Most people have never dared to question the basic morality or logic in the assumption that the majority should have power over the minority. A majority of the people in the South once believed in black slavery. Did that make it moral? A lynch mob is majority rule stripped of its fancy trappings and its facade of respectability. In a community where homosexuals outnumber heterosexuals, should the majority have the right to outlaw sex between married partners of the opposite sex? In a community where atheists outnumber non- atheists, should the majority have the right to outlaw the practice of religion? ... a dictatorship allows only a small number of people to interfere with the rights of others, a democracy makes it possible for great numbers of people to impose their will on others -- through the force of government. Is an act of aggression more right if carried out by the majority than by a dictator? Since approximately half the eligible voters vote this means that approximately 75% of the people are ruled by 25% of the people.

- Ringer, Robert J.

What do you want to achieve or avoid? The answers to this question are objectives. How

will you go about achieving your desire results? The answer to this you can call strategy.

- Rothschild, William E.

For the high achievers, studying gave them the pleasing, absorbing challenge o flow 40 percent of the hours they spent at it. But for low achievers, studying produced flow only 16 percent of the time; more often that not, it yielded anxiety, with the demands outreaching their abilities

- Goleman, Daniel

Big thinking precedes great achievement.

- Peterson, Wilferd A.

Education is not received. It is achieved.

- Unknown, Source

Those who dare to fail miserably can achieve greatly.

- Kennedy, Robert F.

Mere goodness can achieve little against the power of nature.

- Hegel, Georg

Truly great madness can not be achieved without significant intelligence.

- Tikkanen, Henrik

All great achievements require time.

- Schwartz, David J.

Spectacular achievement is always preceded by spectacular preparation.

- Schuller, Robert H.

Men achieve a certain greatness unawares, when working to another aim.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

TEAM -- Together Everyone Achieves More.

- Unknown, Source

Every great achievement is the victory of a flaming heart.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

You never achieve real success unless you like what you are doing.

- Carnegie, Dale

To achieve greatness one should live as if they will never die.

- La Rochefoucauld, Francois De

Peace won by the compromise of principles is a short-lived achievement.

- Unknown, Source

Let freedom reign. The sun never set on so glorious a human achievement.

- Mandela, Nelson

If your only goal is to become rich, you will never achieve it.

- Rockefeller, John D.

Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

The human spirit needs to accomplish, to achieve, to triumph to be happy.

- Stein, Ben

Act as if you have already achieved your goal and it is yours.

- Anthony, Dr. Robert

The most complicated achievements of thought are possible without the assistance of consciousness.

- Freud, Sigmund

It's how you deal with failure that determines how you achieve success.

- Feherty, David

Nothing is as difficult as to achieve results in this world if one is filled full of great tolerance and the milk of human kindness. The person who achieves must generally be a one-idea individual, concentrated entirely on that one idea, and ruthless in his aspect toward other men and other ideas.

- Robinson, Corinne Roosevelt

Review your goals twice every day in order to be focused on achieving them.

- Brown, Les

Here's to the crazy ones. The misfits. The rebels. The trouble-makers. The round heads in the square holes. The ones who see things differently. They're not fond of rules. And they have no respect for the status-quo. You can quote them. Disagree with them. Glorify, or vilify them. But the only thing you can't do is ignore them. Because they change things. They push the human race forward. And while some may see them as the crazy ones, we see genius. Because the people who are crazy enough

to think they can change the world

Are the ones who do.

- Apple Computer

Why not go out on a limb? Isn't that where the fruit is?

- Scully, Frank

Only amateurs say that they write for their own amusement. Writing is not an amusing occupation. It is a combination of ditch-digging, mountain-climbing, treadmill and childbirth. Writing may be interesting, absorbing, exhilarating, racking, relieving. But amusing? Never!

- Ferber, Edna

The closer a man approaches tragedy the more intense is his concentration of emotion upon the fixed point of his commitment, which is to say the closer he approaches what in life we call fanaticism.

- Miller, Arthur

As the ostrich when pursued hideth his head, but forgetteth his body; so the fears of a coward expose him to danger.

- Akhenaton

Fear is a disease that eats away at logic and makes man inhuman.

- Anderson, Marian

An ugly sight, a man who is afraid.

- Anouilh, Jean

Every time you win, it diminishes the fear a little bit. You never really cancel the fear of losing; you keep challenging it.

- Ashe, Arthur

It is not death that a man should fear, but he should fear never beginning to live.

- Aurelius, Marcus

Terror is as much a part of the concept of truth as runniness is of the concept of jam. We wouldn't like jam if it didn't, by its very nature, ooze. We wouldn't like truth if it wasn't sticky, if, from time to time, it didn't ooze blood.

- Baudrillard, Jean

Fear secretes acids; but love and trust are sweet juices.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Anything I've ever done that ultimately was worthwhile... initially scared me to death.

- Bender, Betty

Fear is met and destroyed with courage.

- Bell, James F.

We must travel in the direction of our fear.

- Berryman, John

An appeal to fear never finds an echo in German hearts.

- Bismarck, Otto Von

There are only two forces that unite men -- fear and interest.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

He who fears being conquered is sure of defeat.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

There is great beauty in going through life without anxiety or fear. Half our fears are baseless, and the other half discreditable.

- Bovee, Christian Nevell

First you jump off the cliff and you build wings on the way down.

- Bradbury, Ray

The man who has ceased to fear has ceased to care.

- Bradley, Francis H.

Fear does not have any special power unless you empower it by submitting to it.

- Brown, Les

Too many of us are not living our dreams because we are living our fears.

- Brown, Les

The piano has been drinking, not me.

- Waits, Tom

A fly may sting a stately horse and make him wince; but one is but an insect, and the other is a horse still.

- Johnson, Samuel

The only cure for contempt is counter-contempt.

- Mencken, H. L.

Whoever thinks of stopping the uprising before it achieves its goals, I will give him ten bullets in the chest.

- Arafat, Yaser

To revolt is a natural tendency of life. Even a worm turns against the foot that crushes it. In general, the vitality and relative dignity of an animal can be measured by the intensity of its instinct to revolt.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

A populace never rebels from passion for attack, but from impatience of suffering.

- Burke, Edmund

What is a rebel? A man who says no.

- Camus, Albert

It's not wise to violate rules until you know how to observe them.

- Eliot, T. S.

I hold it that a little rebellion, now and then, is a good thing, and as necessary in the political world as storms in the physical. It is a medicine necessary for the sound health of government.

- Jefferson, Thomas

A riot is the language of the unheard.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

I wouldn't have turned out the way I was if I didn't have all those old-fashioned values to rebel against.

- Madonna

There is something that Governments care for far more than human life, and that is the security of property, and so it is through property that we shall strike the enemy. Be militant each in your own way. I incite this meeting to rebellion.

- Pankhurst, Emmeline

In the relations of a weak Government and a rebellious people there comes a time when every act of the authorities exasperates the masses, and every refusal to act excites their contempt.

- Reed, John

The greater part of what my neighbors call good I believe in my soul to be bad, and if I repent of anything, it is very likely to be my good behavior. What demon possessed me that I behaved so well? You may say the wisest thing you can, old man, -- you who have lived seventy years, not without honor of a kind, -- I hear an irresistible voice which invites me away from all that.

- Thoreau, Henry David

The real acid test of courage is to be just your honest self when everybody is trying to be like somebody else.

- Jensen, Andrew

I loved learning, it was school I hated. I used to cut school to go learn something.

- Jensen, Eric

Hope is the most sensitive part of a poor wretch's soul; whoever raises it only to torment him is behaving like the executioners in Hell who, they say, incessantly renew old wounds and concentrate their attention on that area of it that is already lacerated.

- Sade, Marquis De

O can't you see, brother -- Death's a congested road for fighters now, and hero a cheap label.

- Andrews, C. D.

The chief reason warfare is still with us is neither a secret death-wish of the human species, nor an irrepressible instinct of aggression, nor, finally and more plausibly, the serious economic and social dangers inherent in disarmament, but the simple fact that no substitute for this final arbiter in international affairs has yet appeared on the political scene.

- Arendt, Hannah

If we justify war, it is because all peoples always justify the traits of which they find themselves possessed, not because war will bear an objective examination of its merits.

- Benedict, Ruth

If we fight a war and win it with H-bombs, what history will remember is not the ideals we were fighting for but the methods we used to accomplish them. These methods will be compared to the warfare of Genghis Khan who ruthlessly killed every last inhabitant of Persia.

- Bethe, Hans A.

If you insist upon fighting to protect me, or our country, let it be understood soberly and rationally between us that you are fighting to gratify a sex instinct which I cannot share; to procure benefits which I have not shared and probably will not share.

- Woolf, Virginia

I was thrown out of N.Y.U. my freshman year for cheating on my metaphysics final. You know, I looked within the soul of the boy sitting next to me.

- Allen, Woody

Modern man must descend the spiral of his own absurdity to the lowest point; only then can he look beyond it. It is obviously impossible to get around it, jump over it, or simply avoid it.

- Havel, Vaclav

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