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Assumptions are the termites of relationships.

- Winkler, Henry

If we want to be loved, we must disclose ourselves. If we want to love someone, he must permit us to know him. This would seem to be obvious. Yet most of us spend a great part of our lives thinking up ways to avoid becoming known.

Indeed, much of human life is best described as impersonation. We are role players, every one of us. We say that we feel things we do not feel. We say things we did not do. We say that we believe things we do not believe. We pretend that we are loving when we are full of hostility. We pretend that we are calm and indifferent when we are actually trembling with anxiety and fear.

Of course we cannot tell even the people we know and love everything we think or feel. But our mistakes are nearly always in the other direction. Even in families -- good families -- people wear masks a great deal of the time.

- Jourard, Sidney

In real love you want the other person's good. In romantic love, you want the other person.

- Anderson, Margaret

Oh, love is real enough; you will find it someday, but it has one archenemy -- and that is

life.

- Ardele, Jean Anouilh

Love, by its very nature, is unworldly, and it is for this reason rather than its rarity that it is not only apolitical but anti-political, perhaps the most powerful of all anti-political human forces.

- Arendt, Hannah

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

- Barr, Amelia E.

But I always think that the best way to know God is to love many things.

- Van Gogh, Vincent

I've only been in love with a beer bottle and a mirror.

- Vicious, Sid

People who are sensible about love are incapable of it.

- Yates, Douglas

Every great man nowadays has his disciples, and it is usually Judas who writes the biography.

- Wilde, Oscar

A dreamer is one who can only find his way by moonlight, and his punishment is that he sees the dawn before the rest of the world.

- Wilde, Oscar

Only when the last tree has been cut down; Only when the last river has been poisoned; Only when the last fish has been caught; Only then will you find that money cannot be eaten.

- Proverb, American Indian

We live in deeds

We live in deeds, not years; in thoughts, not breaths;
In feelings, not in figures on a dial.
We should count time by heart-throbs. He most lives
Who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.
And he whose heart beats quickest lives the longest:
Lives in one hour more than in years do some
Whose fat blood sleeps as it slips along their veins.
Life's but a means unto an end; that end,
Beginning, mean, and end to all things -- God.
The dead have all the glory of the world.

- Bailey, Philip James

To be yourself in a world that is constantly trying to make you something else is the greatest accomplishment.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

I pay the schoolmaster, but it is the school boys who educate my son.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

We are shut up in schools and college recitation rooms for ten or fifteen years, and come out at last with a belly-full of words and do not know a thing. The things taught in schools and colleges are not an education, but the means of education.

- Emerson, Ralph Waldo

The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough.

- Tagore, Rabindranath

Poetry is not an expression of the party line. It's that time of night, lying in bed, thinking what you really think, making the private world public, that's what the poet does.

- Ginsberg, Allen

But then they danced down the street like dingledodies, and I shambled after as I've been doing all my life after people who interest me, because the only people for me are the mad ones, the ones who are mad to live, mad to talk, mad to be saved, desirous of everything at the same time, the ones who never yawn or say a commonplace thing, but burn, burn, burn, like fabulous yellow roman candles exploding like spiders across the stars and in the middle you see the blue centerlight pop and everybody goes "Awww!

- Kerouac, Jack

We used to wonder where war lived, what it was that made it so vile. And now we realize that we know where it lives, that it is inside ourselves.

- Camus, Albert

I prefer the most unfair peace to the most righteous war.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

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

- Unknown, Source

Progress is impossible without change, and those who cannot change their minds cannot change anything.

- Shaw, George Bernard

Do Something. If it works, do more of it. If it doesn't, do something else.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

Always forgive your enemies -- nothing annoys them so much.

- Wilde, Oscar

Where you used to be, there is a hole in the world, which I find myself constantly walking around in the daytime, and falling in at night. I miss you like hell.

- Millay, Edna St. Vincent

The lives of happy people are dense with their own doings -- crowded, active, thick. But the sorrowing are nomads, on a plain with few landmarks and no boundaries; sorrow's horizons are vague and its demands are few.

- Mcmurtry, Larry

You have no idea what a poor opinion I have of myself; and how little I deserve it.

- Gilbert, W. S.

The main dangers in this life are the people who want to change everything or nothing.

- Astor, Lady Nancy

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