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O Holy Spirit, descend plentifully into my heart. Enlighten the dark corners of this neglected dwelling and scatter there Thy cheerful beams.

- Augustine, St.

The really unhappy person is the one who leaves undone what they can do, and starts doing what they don't understand; no wonder they come to grief.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The person born with a talent they are meant to use will find their greatest happiness in using it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Personality is everything in art and poetry.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them to become what they are capable of being.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

What is not started today is never finished tomorrow.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Nothing is worth more than this day. You cannot relive yesterday. Tomorrow is still beyond your reach

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Every person above the ordinary has a certain mission that they are called to fulfill.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Be above it! Make the world serve your purpose, but do not serve it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

If you believe what you like in the gospels, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe, but yourself.

- Augustine, St.

Deeply earnest and thoughtful people stand on shaky footing with the public.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

What is my life if I am no longer useful to others.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

First say to yourself what you would be; and then do what you have to do.

- Epictetus

Reason can never be popular. Passions and feelings may become popular, but reason will always remain the sole property of a few eminent individuals.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

If you want a wise answer, ask a reasonable question.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

To the person with a firm purpose all men and things are servants.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

There has never yet been a man in our history who led a life of ease whose name is worth remembering.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

It is only through labor and painful effort, by grim energy and resolute courage, that we move on to better things.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Our chief usefulness to humanity rests on our combining power with high purpose. Power undirected by high purpose spells calamity, and high purpose by itself is utterly useless if the power to put it into effect is lacking.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Far better is it to dare mighty things, to win glorious triumphs, even though checkered by failure than to rank with those poor spirits who neither enjoy much nor suffer much, because they live in a gray twilight that knows not victory nor defeat.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

It is not the critic who counts. Not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs and comes short again and again; who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause. Who, at the best, knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Whenever you are asked if you can do a job, tell em, Certainly I can! -- and get busy and find out how to do it.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is the chance to work hard at work worth doing.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Get action. Seize the moment. Man was never intended to become an oyster.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

It is hard to fail, but it is worse never to have tried to succeed.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

Only those are fit to live who do not fear to die; and none are fit to die who have shrunk from the joy of life and the duty of life. Both life and death are parts of the same Great Adventure.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

We are face to face with our destiny and we must meet it with a high and resolute courage. For us is the life of action, of strenuous performance of duty; let us live in the harness, striving mightily; let us rather run the risk of wearing out than rusting out.

- Roosevelt, Theodore

You gain strength, courage, and confidence by each experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You are able to say to yourself, ?I have lived through this horror. I can take the next thing that comes along.? You must do the thing you think you cannot do.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

Happiness is not a goal, it is a by-product.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

You must do the thing that you think you cannot do.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

Nobody can make you feel inferior without your consent.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

Life was meant to be lived, and curiosity must be kept alive. One must never, for whatever reason, turn his back on life.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

When you cease to make a contribution, you begin to die.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

One's philosophy is not best expressed in words; it is expressed in the choices one makes. In the long run, we shape our lives and we shape ourselves. The process never ends until we die. And, the choices we make are ultimately our own responsibility.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

Do what you feel in your heart to be right. You'll be criticized anyway.

- Roosevelt, Eleanor

If it fails, admit it frankly and try another. But above all, try something.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

The only thing we have to fear is fear itself.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

Any work that aspires, however humbly, to the condition of art should carry its justification in every line.

- Conrad, Joseph

Woe to the man whose heart has not learned while young to hope, to love -- and to put its trust in life.

- Conrad, Joseph

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

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

I don't like work... but I like what is in work -- the chance to find yourself. Your own reality -- for yourself, not for others -- which no other man can ever know.

- Conrad, Joseph

Facing it, always facing it, that's the way to get through. Face it.

- Conrad, Joseph

If you make the unconditional commitment to reach your most important goals, if the strength of your decision is sufficient, you will find the way and the power to achieve your goals.

- Conklin, Robert

It's not the situation. It's your reaction to the situation.

- Conklin, Robert

Be sincere, be brief; be seated.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

If human beings are perceived as potentials rather than problems, as possessing strengths instead of weaknesses, as unlimited rather that dull and unresponsive, then they thrive and grow to their capabilities.

- Conklin, Robert

To most men experience is like the stern lights of a ship, which illuminate only the track it has passed.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

Friendship is a sheltering tree.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

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

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another, but above all try something.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

He is the best physician who is the most ingenious inspirer of hope.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

No one does anything from a single motive.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

Every reform, however necessary, will by weak minds be carried to an excess, which will

itself need reforming.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

I have seen great intolerance shown in support of tolerance.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

The real secret to success is enthusiasm.

- Chrysler, Walter

Determine that the thing can and shall be done, and then we shall find the way.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Towering genius disdains a beaten path.

- Lincoln, Abraham

If we could first know where we are, and whither we are tending, we could then better judge what to do, and how to do it.

- Lincoln, Abraham

I will prepare and some day my chance will come.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Things may come to those who wait, but only the things left by those who hustle.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Always bear in mind that your own resolution to succeed is more important than any one thing.

- Lincoln, Abraham

You cannot escape the responsibility of tomorrow by evading it today.

- Lincoln, Abraham

The way for a young man to rise is to improve himself in every way he can, never suspecting that anybody wishes to hinder him.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Nothing valuable can be lost by taking time.

- Lincoln, Abraham

I wept not, so to stone within I grew.

- Dante Alighieri

If I had eight hours to chop down a tree, I'd spend six sharpening my ax.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Don't worry when you are not recognized, but strive to be worthy of recognition.

- Lincoln, Abraham

In His will is our peace.

- Dante Alighieri

Chase after the truth like all hell and you'll free yourself, even though you never touch its coat tails.

- Darrow, Clarence

Just think of the tragedy of teaching children not to doubt.

- Darrow, Clarence

At twenty a man is full of fight and hope. He wants to reform the world. When he is seventy he still wants to reform the world, but he know he can't.

- Darrow, Clarence

Defeat never comes to any man until he admits it.

- Daniels, Josephus

Do not condemn the judgment of another because it differs from your own. You may both be wrong.

- Dandemis

It is better to light one small candle than to curse the darkness.

- Confucius

Worry not that no one knows of you; seek to be worth knowing.

- Confucius

Chose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life.

- Confucius

By three methods we may learn wisdom: First, by reflection, which is noblest; Second, by imitation, which is easiest; and third by experience, which is the bitterest.

- Confucius

To see and listen to the wicked is already the beginning of wickedness.

- Confucius

The superior man thinks always of virtue; the common man thinks of comfort.

- Confucius

Think no vice so small that you may commit it, and no virtue so small that you may over look it.

- Confucius

When we see men of a contrary character, we should turn inwards and examine ourselves.

- Confucius

He will have to learn, I know,
that all men are not just,
all men are not true.
But teach him also that
for every scoundrel there is a hero;
that for every selfish Politician,
there is a dedicated leader…
Teach him for every enemy there is a friend,

Steer him away from envy,
if you can,
teach him the secret of
quiet laughter.

Let him learn early that
the bullies are the easiest to lick…
Teach him, if you can,
the wonder of books…
But also give him quiet time
to ponder the eternal mystery of birds in the sky,
bees in the sun,

and the flowers on a green hillside.

In the school teach him

it is far honourable to fail

than to cheat…

Teach him to have faith

in his own ideas,

even if everyone tells him

they are wrong…

Teach him to be gentle

with gentle people,

and tough with the tough.

Try to give my son

the strength not to follow the crowd

when everyone is getting on the band wagon…

Teach him to listen to all men…

but teach him also to filter

all he hears on a screen of truth,

and take only the good

that comes through.

Teach him if you can,

how to laugh when he is sad…

Teach him there is no shame in tears,

Teach him to scoff at cynics

and to beware of too much sweetness…

Teach him to sell his brawn

and brain to the highest bidders

but never to put a price-tag

on his heart and soul.

Teach him to close his ears

to a howling mob

and to stand and fight

if he thinks he’s right.

Treat him gently,

but do not cuddle him,

because only the test

of fire makes fine steel.

Let him have the courage

to be impatient…

let him have the patience to be brave.

Teach him always

to have sublime faith in himself,

because then he will have

sublime faith in mankind.

This is a big order,

but see what you can do…

He is such a fine little fellow,

my son!

- Lincoln, Abraham

The superior man will watch over himself when he is alone. He examines his heart that there may be nothing wrong there, and that he may have no cause of dissatisfaction with himself.

- Confucius

To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must put the family in order; to put the family in order, we must cultivate our personal life; and to cultivate our personal life, we must first set our hearts right.

- Confucius

They must change who would be constant in happiness and wisdom.

- Confucius

I have only one yardstick by which I test every major problem -- and that yardstick is: Is it good for America?

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

An intellectual is a man who takes more words than necessary to tell more than he knows.

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

Leadership is the art of getting someone else to do something you want done because he wants to do it.

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

I would rather try to persuade a man to go along, because once I have persuaded him, he will stick. If I scare him, he will stay just as long as he is scared, and then he is gone.

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

The older I get the more wisdom I find in the ancient rule of taking first things first. A process which often reduces the most complex human problem to a manageable proportion.

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

When you are in any contest, you should work as if there were--to the very last minute--a chance to lose it. This is battle, this is politics, this is anything.

- Eisenhower, Dwight D.

Fortune favors the prepared mind.

- Pasteur, Louis

Let me tell you the secret that has led me to my goal, My strength lies solely in my tenacity.

- Pasteur, Louis

If a man has done his best, what else is there?

- Patton, George S.

I don't measure a man's success by how high he climbs but how high he bounces when he hits bottom.

- Patton, George S.

There is a time to take counsel of your fears, and there is a time to never listen to your fear.

- Patton, George S.

You need to overcome the tug of people against you as you reach for high goals.

- Patton, George S.

I do not fear failure. I only fear the slowing up of the engine inside of me which is pounding, saying, Keep going, someone must be on top, why not you?

- Patton, George S.

A good plan violently executed right now is far better than a perfect plan executed next

week.

- Patton, George S.

Take calculated risks. This is quite different from being rash.

- Patton, George S.

Always do more than is required of you.

- Patton, George S.

A pint of sweat will save a gallon of blood.

- Patton, George S.

Accept the challenges, so you may feel the exhilaration of victory.

- Patton, George S.

The barriers are not erected which can say to aspiring talents and industry, Thus far and no farther.

- Beethoven, Ludwig Van

The most successful men in the end are those whose success is the result of steady accretion. It is the man who carefully advances step by step, with his mind becoming wider and wider -- and progressively better able to grasp any theme or situation -- persevering in what he knows to be practical, and concentrating his thought upon it, who

is bound to succeed in the greatest degree.

- Bell, Alexander Graham

What this power is I cannot say; all I know is that it exists and it becomes available only when a man is in that state of mind in which he knows exactly what he wants and is fully determined not to quit until he finds it.

- Bell, Alexander Graham

Just as iron rusts from disuse, even so does inaction spoil the intellect.

- Da Vinci, Leonardo

As every divided kingdom falls, so every mind divided between many studies confounds and saps itself.

- Da Vinci, Leonardo

Time stays long enough for those who use it.

- Da Vinci, Leonardo

As a well-spent day brings happy sleep, so a life well spent brings happy death.

- Da Vinci, Leonardo

Lord, grant that I may always desire more than I can accomplish.

- Michelangelo

Trifles make perfection, but perfection is no trifle.

- Michelangelo

If people only knew how hard I work to gain my mastery, it wouldn't seem so wonderful at all.

- Michelangelo

The promises of this world are, for the most part, vain phantoms; and to confide in one's self, and become something of worth and value is the best and safest course.

- Michelangelo

Neither a lofty degree of intelligence nor imagination nor both together go to the making of genius. Love, love, love, that is the soul of genius.

- Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus

As death, when we come to consider it closely, is the true goal of our existence, I have formed during the last few years such close relations with this best and truest friend of mankind, that his image is not only no longer terrifying to me, but is indeed very soothing and consoling! And I thank my God for graciously granting me the opportunity of learning that death is the key which unlocks the door to our true happiness.

- Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus

Life is like a box of chocolates: You never know what you're gonna get.

- Movie, Forrest Gump

The man who acquires the ability to take full possession of his own mind may take possession of anything else to which he justly entitled.

- Carnegie, Andrew

Aim for the highest.

- Carnegie, Andrew

The way to become rich is to put all your eggs in one basket and then watch that basket.

- Carnegie, Andrew

The first man gets the oyster, the second man gets the shell.

- Carnegie, Andrew

The average person puts only 25% of his energy and ability into his work. The world takes off its hat to those who put in more than 50% of their capacity, and stands on its head for those few and far between souls who devote 100%.

- Carnegie, Andrew

Concentrate; put all your eggs in one basket, and watch that basket...

- Carnegie, Andrew

Concentration is my motto -- first honesty, then industry, then concentration.

- Carnegie, Andrew

Every adversity, every failure, every heartache carries with it the seed of an equal or greater benefit.

- Hill, Napoleon

Desire is the starting point of all achievement, not a hope, not a wish, but a keen pulsating desire which transcends everything.

- Hill, Napoleon

The battle is all over except the shouting when one knows what is wanted and has made up his mind to get it, whatever the price may be.

- Hill, Napoleon

Education comes from within; you get it by struggle and effort and thought.

- Hill, Napoleon

Effort only fully releases its reward after a person refuses to quit.

- Hill, Napoleon

Everyone enjoys doing the kind of work for which he is best suited.

- Hill, Napoleon

No man can succeed in a line of endeavor which he does not like.

- Hill, Napoleon

We begin to see, therefore, the importance of selecting our environment with the greatest of care, because environment is the mental feeding ground out of which the food that goes into our minds is extracted.

- Hill, Napoleon

You can start right where you stand and apply the habit of going the extra mile by rendering more service and better service than you are now being paid for.

- Hill, Napoleon

It takes half your life before you discover life is a do-it-yourself project.

- Hill, Napoleon

The man who does more than he is paid for will soon be paid for more than he does.

- Hill, Napoleon

Failure is nature's plan to prepare you for great responsibilities.

- Hill, Napoleon

No man is ever whipped until he quits in his own mind.

- Hill, Napoleon

Edison failed 10, 000 times before he made the electric light. Do not be discouraged if you fail a few times.

- Hill, Napoleon

When defeat comes, accept it as a signal that your plans are not sound, rebuild those plans, and set sail once more toward your coveted goal.

- Hill, Napoleon

The best job goes to the person who can get it done without passing the buck or coming back with excuses.

- Hill, Napoleon

There is one quality which one must possess to win, and that is definiteness of purpose, the knowledge of what one wants, and a burning desire to possess it.

- Hill, Napoleon

Strength and growth come only through continuous effort and struggle...

- Hill, Napoleon

Our minds become magnetized with the dominating thoughts we hold in our minds and

these magnets attract to us the forces, the people, the circumstances of life which harmonize with the nature of our dominating thoughts.

- Hill, Napoleon

Create a definite plan for carrying out your desire and begin at once, whether you ready or not, to put this plan into action.

- Hill, Napoleon

There are no limitations to the mind except those we acknowledge.

- Hill, Napoleon

No man ever achieved worth-while success who did not, at one time or other, find himself with at least one foot hanging well over the brink of failure.

- Hill, Napoleon

Ideas are the beginning points of all fortunes.

- Hill, Napoleon

Opportunity often comes in disguised in the form of misfortune, or temporary defeat.

- Hill, Napoleon

Your big opportunity may be right where you are now.

- Hill, Napoleon

Before success comes in any man's life, he's sure to meet with much temporary defeat and, perhaps some failures. When defeat overtakes a man, the easiest and the most logical thing to do is to quit. That's exactly what the majority of men do.

- Hill, Napoleon

What we do not see, what most of us never suspect of existing, is the silent but irresistible power which comes to the rescue of those who fight on in the face of discouragement.

- Hill, Napoleon

The majority of men meet with failure because of their lack of persistence in creating new plans to take the place of those which fail.

- Hill, Napoleon

Victory is always possible for the person who refuses to stop fighting.

- Hill, Napoleon

Every well built house started in the form of a definite purpose plus a definite plan in the nature of a set of blueprints.

- Hill, Napoleon

Reduce your plan to writing. The moment you complete this, you will have definitely given concrete form to the intangible desire.

- Hill, Napoleon

Thoughts mixed with definiteness of purpose, persistence, and a burning desire are powerful things.

- Hill, Napoleon

Don't wait. The time will never be just right.

- Hill, Napoleon

Procrastination is the bad habit of putting of until the day after tomorrow what should have been done the day before yesterday.

- Hill, Napoleon

You might well remember that nothing can bring you success but yourself.

- Hill, Napoleon

Self-disciplined begins with the mastery of your thoughts. If you don't control what you think, you can't control what you do. Simply, self-discipline enables you to think first and act afterward.

- Hill, Napoleon

Your ability to use the principle of autosuggestion will depend, very largely, upon your capacity to concentrate upon a given desire until that desire becomes a burning

obsession.

- Hill, Napoleon

Success in its highest and noblest form calls for peace of mind and enjoyment and happiness which come only to the man who has found the work that he likes best.

- Hill, Napoleon

Patience, persistence and perspiration make an unbeatable combination for success.

- Hill, Napoleon

Most great people have attained their greatest success just one step beyond their greatest failure.

- Hill, Napoleon

The ladder of success is never crowded at the top.

- Hill, Napoleon

Any idea, plan, or purpose may be placed in the mind through repetition of thought.

- Hill, Napoleon

Do it now! can affect every phase of your life. It can help you do the things you should do but don't feel like doing. It can keep you from procrastinating when an unpleasant duty faces you. But it can also help you do those things that you want to do. It helps you seize

those precious moments that, if lost, may never be retrieved.

- Hill, Napoleon

Do not wait; the time will never be just right. Start where you stand, and work with whatever tools you may have at your command, and better tools will be found as you go along.

- Hill, Napoleon

The world has the habit of making room for the man whose actions show that he knows where he is going.

- Hill, Napoleon

Your real boss is the one who walks around under your hat.

- Hill, Napoleon

Set your target and keep trying until you reach it.

- Hill, Napoleon

Cherish you visions and your dreams as they are the children of your soul; the blue prints of your ultimate achievements.

- Hill, Napoleon

It is always your next move.

- Hill, Napoleon

The jack-of-all-trades seldom is good at any. Concentrate all of your efforts on one definite chief aim.

- Hill, Napoleon

Big pay and little responsibility are circumstances seldom found together.

- Hill, Napoleon

If you do not conquer self, you will be conquered by self.

- Hill, Napoleon

No one can make you jealous, angry, vengeful, or greedy -- unless you let him.

- Hill, Napoleon

If your imagination leads you to understand how quickly people grant your requests when those requests appeal to their self-interest, you can have practically anything you go after.

- Hill, Napoleon

If you must speak ill of another, do not speak it, write it in the sand near the water's edge

- Hill, Napoleon

I start where the last man left off.

- Edison, Thomas A.

There's a way to do better... find it.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Just because something doesn't do what you planned it to do doesn't mean it's useless.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I am not discouraged, because every wrong attempt discarded is another step forward.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I have not failed. I've just found 10, 000 ways that won't work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Genius is one percent inspiration and ninety-nine percent perspiration.

- Edison, Thomas A.

The first requisite for success is the ability to apply your physical and mental energies to one problem incessantly without growing weary.

- Edison, Thomas A.

To have a great idea, have a lot of them.

- Edison, Thomas A.

The three great essentials to achieve anything worth while are: Hard work, Stick-to-itiveness, and Common sense.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Opportunity is missed by most people because it comes dressed in overalls and looks like work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Everything comes to him who hustles while he waits.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Nearly every man who develops an idea works at it up to the point where it looks impossible, and then gets discouraged. that's not the place to become discouraged.

- Edison, Thomas A.

When I have fully decided that a result is worth getting I go ahead of it and make trial after trial until it comes.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Many of life's failures are people who did not realize how close they were to success when they gave up.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I find my greatest pleasure, and so my reward, in the work that precedes what the world calls success.

- Edison, Thomas A.

If we did all the things we are capable of doing, we would literally astonish ourselves.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Restlessness is discontent and discontent is the first necessity of progress. Show me a thoroughly satisfied man and I will show you a failure.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Results! Why, man, I have gotten a lot of results. I know several thousand things that won't work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Hell, there are no rules here, we are trying to accomplish something.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Show me a thoroughly satisfied man and I will show you a failure.

- Edison, Thomas A.

The best thinking has been done in solitude.

- Edison, Thomas A.

There is no expedient to which a man will not resort to avoid the real labor of thinking.

- Edison, Thomas A.

It is astonishing what an effort it seems to be for many people to put their brains definitely and systematically to work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

There ain't no rules around here, we're trying to accomplish something.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Waste is worse than loss. The time is coming when every person who lays claim to ability will keep the question of waste before him constantly. The scope of thrift is limitless.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I never did anything by accident, nor did any of my inventions come by accident; they came by work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

I never did a day's work in my life. It was all fun.

- Edison, Thomas A.

There is no substitute for hard work.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Your worth consists in what you are and not in what you have.

- Edison, Thomas A.

Flaming enthusiasm, backed up by horse sense and persistence, is the quality that most frequently makes for success.

- Carnegie, Dale

If you want to conquer fear, don't sit home and think about it. Go out and get busy

- Carnegie, Dale

Do the thing you fear to do and keep on doing it... that is the quickest and surest way ever yet discovered to conquer fear.

- Carnegie, Dale

Inaction breeds doubt and fear. Action breeds confidence and courage. If you want to conquer fear, do not sit home and think about it. Go out and get busy.

- Carnegie, Dale

You can conquer almost any fear if you will only make up your mind to do so. For remember, fear doesn't exist anywhere except in the mind.

- Carnegie, Dale

You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.

- Carnegie, Dale

Feeling sorry for yourself, and your present condition, is not only a waste of energy but the worst habit you could possibly have.

- Carnegie, Dale

Remember, happiness doesn't depend upon who you are or what you have, it depends solely upon what you think.

- Carnegie, Dale

If you want to win friends, make it a point to remember them. If you remember my name, you pay me a subtle compliment; you indicate that I have made an impression on you. Remember my name and you add to my feeling of importance.

- Carnegie, Dale

There is only one way... to get anybody to do anything. And that is by making the other person want to do it.

- Carnegie, Dale

Most of the important things in the world have been accomplished by people who have kept on trying when there seemed to be no help at all.

- Carnegie, Dale

We all have possibilities we don't know about. We can do things we don't even dream we can do.

- Carnegie, Dale

First ask yourself: What is the worst that can happen? Then prepare to accept it. Then proceed to improve on the worst.

- Carnegie, Dale

Remember, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

- Carnegie, Dale

Today is life-the only life you are sure of. Make the most of today. Get interested in something. Shake yourself awake. Develop a hobby. Let the winds of enthusiasm sweep through you. Live today with gusto.

- Carnegie, Dale

There are always three speeches, for every one you actually gave. The one you practiced, the one you gave, and the one you wish you gave.

- Carnegie, Dale

Your purpose is to make your audience see what you saw, hear what you heard, feel what you felt. Relevant detail, couched in concrete, colorful language, is the best way to recreate the incident as it happened and to picture it for the audience.

- Carnegie, Dale

Take a chance! All life is a chance. The man who goes the furthest is generally the one who is willing to do and dare. The ?sure thing? boat never gets far from shore.

- Carnegie, Dale

Only the prepared speaker deserves to be confident.

- Carnegie, Dale

Tell the audience what you're going to say, say it; then tell them what you've said.

- Carnegie, Dale

The person who goes farthest is generally the one who is willing to do and dare. The sure-thing boat never gets far from shore.

- Carnegie, Dale

Are you bored with life? Then throw yourself into some work you believe in with all your heart, live for it, die for it, and you will find happiness that you had thought could never be yours.

- Carnegie, Dale

Tell me what gives a man or woman their greatest pleasure and I'll tell you their philosophy of life.

- Carnegie, Dale

The successful man will profit from his mistakes and try again in a different way.

- Carnegie, Dale

People rarely succeed unless they have fun in what they are doing.

- Carnegie, Dale

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

- Carnegie, Dale

One of the most tragic things I know about human nature is that all of us tend to put off living. We are all dreaming of some magical rose garden over the horizon--instead of enjoying the roses that are blooming outside our windows today.

- Carnegie, Dale

Those convinced against their will are of the same opinion still.

- Carnegie, Dale

You have it easily in your power to increase the sum total of this world's happiness now. How? By giving a few words of sincere appreciation to someone who is lonely or discouraged. Perhaps you will forget tomorrow the kind words you say today, but the recipient may cherish them over a lifetime.

- Carnegie, Dale

Do the hard jobs first. The easy jobs will take care of themselves.

- Carnegie, Dale

There are four ways, and only four ways, in which we have contact with the world. We are evaluated and classified by these four contacts: what we do, how we look, what we say, and how we say it.

- Carnegie, Dale

The royal road to a man's heart is to talk to him about the things he treasures most.

- Carnegie, Dale

If you believe in what you are doing, then let nothing hold you up in your work. Much of the best work of the world has been done against seeming impossibilities. The thing is to

get the work done.

- Carnegie, Dale

Be more concerned with your character than with your reputation. Your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.

- Carnegie, Dale

Life can be pulled by goals just as surely as it can be pushed by drives.

- Frankl, Viktor E.

Live as if you were living a second time, and as though you had acted wrongly the first time.

- Frankl, Viktor E.

Only to the extent that someone is living out this self transcendence of human existence, is he truly human or does he become his true self. He becomes so, not by concerning himself with his self's actualization, but by forgetting himself and giving himself, overlooking himself and focusing outward.

- Frankl, Viktor E.

Challenging the meaning of life is the truest expression of the state of being human.

- Frankl, Viktor E.

Everything can be taken away from a man but one thing: the last of the human freedom -- to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances, to choose one's own way.

- Frankl, Viktor E.

A musician must make music, an artist must paint, a poet must write, if they are to be ultimately at peace with themselves.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

If the only tool you have is a hammer, you tend to see every problem as a nail.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

We are not in a position in which we have nothing to work with. We already have capacities, talents, direction, missions, callings.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

What a man can be, he must be. This need we call self-actualization.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

What is necessary to change a person is to change his awareness of himself.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

If you deliberately plan on being less than you are capable of being, then I warn you that you'll be unhappy for the rest of your life.

- Maslow, Abraham H.

I still find each day too short for all the thoughts I want to think, all the walks I want to take, all the books I want to read and all the friends I want to see.

- Burroughs, John

You may live in an imperfect world but the frontiers are not closed and the doors are not all shut.

- Maltz, Maxwell

People who say that life is not worthwhile are really saying that they themselves have no personal goals which are worthwhile. Get yourself a goal worth working for. Better still, get yourself a project. Always have something ahead of you to look forward to -- to work for and hope for.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Close scrutiny will show that most crisis situations are opportunities to either advance, or stay where you are.

- Maltz, Maxwell

To change a habit, make a conscious decision, then act out the new behavior.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Study the situation thoroughly, go over in your imagination the various courses of action possible to you and the consequences which can and may follow from each course. Pick out the course which gives the most promise and go ahead.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Within you right now is the power to do things you never dreamed possible. This power becomes available to you just as you can change your beliefs.

- Maltz, Maxwell

This is where you will win the battle -- in the playhouse of your mind.

- Maltz, Maxwell

The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing.

- Burke, Edmund

One of the reasons it has seemed so difficult for a person to change his habits, his personality, or his way of life, has been that heretofore nearly all efforts at change have been directed to the circumference of the self, so to speak, rather than to the center.

- Maltz, Maxwell

We are built to conquer environment, solve problems, achieve goals, and we find no real satisfaction or happiness in life without obstacles to conquer and goals to achieve.

- Maltz, Maxwell

What is opportunity, and when does it knock? It never knocks. You can wait a whole lifetime, listening, hoping, and you will hear no knocking. None at all. You are opportunity, and you must knock on the door leading to your destiny. You prepare yourself to recognize opportunity, to pursue and seize opportunity as you develop the strength of your personality, and build a self-image with which you are able to live -- with your self-respect alive and growing.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Live in the present. The past is gone; the future is unknown -- but the present is real, and your opportunities are now. You must see these opportunities; they must be real for you. The catch is that they can't seem real if your mind is buried in past failures, if you keep reliving old mistakes, old guilts, old tragedies. Fight your way above the many inevitable Traumatizations of your ego, escape damnation by the past, and look to the opportunities of the present. I don't mean some vague moment in the present -- next week or next month, perhaps. I mean today, this minute.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Low self-esteem is like driving through life with your hand-break on.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Our self image, strongly held, essentially determines what we become

- Maltz, Maxwell

Realizing that our actions, feelings and behavior are the result of our own images and beliefs gives us the level that psychology has always needed for changing personality.

- Maltz, Maxwell

The self-image is the key to human personality and human behavior. Change the self image and you change the personality and the behavior.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Accept yourself as you are. Otherwise you will never see opportunity. You will not feel free to move toward it; you will feel you are not deserving.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Often the difference between a successful person and a failure is not one has better abilities or ideas, but the courage that one has to bet on one's ideas, to take a calculated risk -- and to act.

- Maltz, Maxwell

You can do only one thing at a time. I simply tackle one problem and concentrate all efforts on what I am doing at the moment.

- Maltz, Maxwell

Take the trouble to stop and think of the other person's feelings, his viewpoints, his desires and needs. Think more of what the other fellow wants, and how he must feel.

- Maltz, Maxwell

To have doubted one's own first principles is the mark of a civilized man.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Do not be bullied out of your common sense by the specialist; two to one, he is a pedant.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

The greatest act of faith is when a man understands he is not God.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

It's faith in something and enthusiasm for something that makes life worth living.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Don't flatter yourself that friendship authorizes you to say disagreeable things to your intimates. The nearer you come into relation with a person, the more necessary do tact and courtesy become.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

The world is always ready to receive talent with open arms. Very often it does not know what to do with genius.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

A man may fulfill the object of his existence by asking a question he cannot answer, and

attempting a task he cannot achieve.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

People can be divided into two classes: those who go ahead and do something, and those who sit still and inquire, why wasn't it done the other way?

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Love is the master key which opens the gates of happiness.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Take a music bath once or twice a week for a few seasons, and you will find that it is to the soul what the water-bath is to the body.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

You commit a sin of omission if you do not utilize all the power that is within you. All men have claims on man, and to the man with special talents, this is a very special claim. It is required that a man take part in the actions and clashes of his time that the peril of being judged not to have lived at all.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Speak clearly, if you speak at all; carve every word before you let it fall.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

The world's great men have not commonly been great scholars, nor its great scholars great men.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

As life is action and passion, it is required of a man that he should share the passion and action of his time, at the peril of being not to have lived.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving: To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it, but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Old books, you know well, are books of the world's youth, and new books are the fruits of its age.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Little-minded people's thoughts move in such small circles that five minutes conversation gives you an arc long enough to determine their whole curve.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Every event that a man would master must be mounted on the run, and no man ever caught the reins of a thought except as it galloped past him.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

The greatest tragedy in America is not the destruction of our natural resources, though that tragedy is great. The truly great tragedy is the destruction of our human resources by our failure to fully utilize our abilities, which means that most men and women go to their graves with their music still in them.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

If I had a formula for bypassing trouble, I would not pass it around. Trouble creates a capacity to handle it. I don't embrace trouble; that's as bad as treating it as an enemy. But I do say: meet it as a friend, for you'll see a lot of it, and had better be on speaking terms with it.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Rough work, iconoclasm, but the only way to get at truth.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Truth, when not sought after, rarely comes to light.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Every calling is great when greatly pursued.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Through our great good fortune, in our youth our hearts were touched with fire. It was

given to us to learn at the outset that life is a profound and passionate thing.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Our dead brothers still live for us and bid us think of life, not death -- of life to which in their youth they lent the passion and glory of Spring. As I listen, the great chorus of life and joy begins again, and amid the awful orchestra of seen and unseen powers and destinies of good and evil, our trumpets, sound once more a note of daring, hope, and will.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

A few can touch the magic string, and noisy fame is proud to win them: Alas for those that never sing, but die with all their music in them!

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

The riders in a race do not stop short when they reach the goal. There is a little finishing canter before coming to a standstill. There is time to hear the kind voice of friends and to say to ones self: The work is done. But just as one says that, the answer comes: The race is over, but the work never is done while the power to work remains. The canter that brings you to a standstill need not be only coming to rest. It cannot be while you still live. For to live is to function. That is all there is in living.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Life is a romantic business. It is painting a picture, not doing a sumbut you have to make the romance, and it will come to the question how much fire you have in your belly.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

I never remember feeling tired by work, though idleness exhausts me completely.

- Holmes, Sherlock

The temptation to form premature theories upon insufficient data is the bane of our profession.

- Holmes, Sherlock

A man should keep his little brain attic stocked with all the furniture that he is likely to use, and the rest he can put away in the lumber room of his library, where he can get it if he wants it.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

It is a capital mistake to theorize before one has data.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

I never guess. It is a shocking habit -- destructive to the logical faculty.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

My mind rebels at stagnation. Give me problems, give me work, give me the most abstruse cryptogram, or the most intricate analysis, and I am in my own proper atmosphere. I can dispense then with artificial stimulants. But I abhor the dull routine of

existence. I crave for mental exaltation.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

Mediocrity knows nothing higher than itself, but talent instantly recognizes genius.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

It has long been an axiom of mine that the little things are infinitely the most important.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

When you have eliminated the impossible, whatever remains, however improbable, must be the truth.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

Violence does, in truth, recoil upon the violent, and the schemer falls into the pit which he digs for another.

- Doyle, Sir Arthur Conan

Example is leadership.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Example is not the main thing in influencing others. It is the only thing.

- Schweitzer, Albert

The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who will have sought and found how to serve.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Constant kindness can accomplish much. As the sun makes ice melt, kindness causes misunderstanding, mistrust, and hostility to evaporate.

- Schweitzer, Albert

The purpose of human life is to serve and show compassion and the will to help others.

- Schweitzer, Albert

As we acquire more knowledge, things do not become more comprehensible but more mysterious.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Just as the wave cannot exist for itself, but is ever a part of the heaving surface of the ocean, so must I never live my life for itself, but always in the experience which is going on around me.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Man is a clever animal who behaves like an imbecile.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Man must cease attributing his problems to his environment, and learn again to exercise his will -- his personal responsibility.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Humanitarianism consists in never sacrificing a human being to a purpose.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Sometimes our light goes out but is blown into flame by another human being. Each of us owes deepest thanks to those who have rekindled this light.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Impart as much as you can of your spiritual being to those who are on the road with you, and accept as something precious what comes back to you from them.

- Schweitzer, Albert

One truth stands firm. All that happens in world history rests on something spiritual. If the spiritual is strong, it creates world history. If it is weak, it suffers world history.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful.

- Schweitzer, Albert

The great secret of success is to go through life as a man who never gets used up.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Physical misery is great everywhere out here [Africa]. Are we justified in shutting our eyes and ignoring it because our European newspapers tell us nothing about it? We civilised people have been spoilt. If any one of us is ill the doctor comes at once. Is an operation necessary, the door of some hospital or other opens to us immediately. But let every one reflect on the meaning of the fact that out here millions and millions live without help or hope of it. Every day thousands and thousands endure the most terrible sufferings, though medical science could avert them. Every day there prevails in many and many a far-off hut a despair which we could banish. Will each of my readers think what the last ten years of his family history would have been if they had been passed without medical or surgical help of any sort? It is time that we should wake from slumber and face our responsibilities!

- Schweitzer, Albert

The awareness that we are all human beings together has become lost in war and through politics.

- Schweitzer, Albert

Difficulties mastered are opportunities won.

- Churchill, Winston

Little progress can be made by merely attempting to repress what is evil. Our great hope

lies in developing what is good.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Hearty laughter is a good way to jog internally without having to go outdoors.

- Cousins, Norman

If you see 10 troubles coming down the road, you can be sure that 9 will run into the ditch before they reach you.

- Coolidge, Calvin

All Presidents start out to run a crusade but after a couple of years they find they are running something less heroic and much more intractable: namely the presidency. The people are well cured by then of election fever, during which they think they are choosing Moses. In the third year, they look on the man as a sinner and a bumble and begin to poke around for rumors of another Messiah.

- Cooke, Alistair

Hard work has made it easy. That is my secret. That is why I win.

- Comaneci, Nadia

The probability of life originating from accident is comparable to the probability of the unabridged dictionary resulting from an explosion in a printing shop.

- Conklin, Edward

Advice is like snow; the softer it falls the longer it dwells upon, and the deeper it sinks into the mind.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

You are either part of the solution or part of the problem.

- Cleaver, Eldridge

As I give thought to the matter, I find four causes for the apparent misery of old age; first, it withdraws us from active accomplishments; second, it renders the body less powerful; third, it deprives us of almost all forms of enjoyment; fourth, it stands not far from death.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

They condemn what they do not understand.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

What one has, one ought to use: and whatever he does he should do with all his might.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

All men make mistakes, but only wise men learn from their mistakes.

- Churchill, Winston

The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees the opportunity in

every difficulty.

- Churchill, Winston

I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use being anything else.

- Churchill, Winston

To be ignorant of what occurred before you were born is to remain always a child.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Never give in! Never give in! Never, never, never, never -- in nothing great or small, large or petty. Never give in except to convictions of honor and good sense.

- Churchill, Winston

Never, never, never, never give up.

- Churchill, Winston

Brevity is the best recommendation of speech, whether in a senator or an orator.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

I'm just preparing my impromptu remarks.

- Churchill, Winston

Orators are most vehement when their cause is weak.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

A good orator is pointed and impassioned.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Silence is one of the great arts of conversation.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Before beginning, plan carefully.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

No crime is so great as daring to excel.

- Churchill, Winston

Play the game for more than you can afford to lose... only then will you learn the game.

- Churchill, Winston

I am easily satisfied with the very best.

- Churchill, Winston

When the eagles are silent the parrots begin to jabber.

- Churchill, Winston

Solitary trees, if they grow at all, grow strong.

- Churchill, Winston

He only employs his passion who can make no use of his reason.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

If you have an important point to make, don't try to be subtle or clever. Use the pile driver. Hit the point once. Then come back and hit it again. Then hit it a third time; a tremendous whack.

- Churchill, Winston

Success is going from failure to failure without loss of enthusiasm.

- Churchill, Winston

I never worry about action, but only inaction.

- Churchill, Winston

To improve is to change; to be perfect is to change often.

- Churchill, Winston

When you have no basis for an argument, abuse the plaintiff.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

The wise are instructed by reason, average minds by experience, the stupid by necessity and the brute by instinct.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terror, victory however long and hard the road may be; for without victory there is no survival.

- Churchill, Winston

It is the peculiar quality of a fool to perceive the faults of others and to forget his own.

- Cicero, Marcus T.

Short words are the best and old words when short are best of all.

- Churchill, Winston

Life is not always not always what one wants it to be., but to make the best of it as it is the only way of being happy.

- Churchill, Jennie Jerome

Let our advance worrying become advance thinking and planning.

- Churchill, Winston

Crime is terribly revealing. Try and vary your methods as you will, your tastes, your habits,

your attitude of mind, and your soul is revealed by your actions.

- Christie, Agatha

In war as in life, it is often necessary when some cherished scheme has failed, to take up the best alternative open, and if so, it is folly not to work for it with all your might.

- Churchill, Winston

There is nothing so dangerous for anyone who has something to hide as conversation! A human being, Hastings, cannot resist the opportunity to reveal himself and express his personality which conversation gives him. Every time he will give himself away.

- Christie, Agatha

I've searched all the parks in all the cities and found no statues of committees.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting. It has been found difficult; and left untried.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

How you think when you lose determines how long it will be until you win.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

It isn't that they can't see the solution. It is that they can't see the problem.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

If I had only one sermon to preach it would be a sermon against pride.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

This is no time for ease and comfort. It is the time to dare and endure.

- Churchill, Winston

Courage is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm.

- Churchill, Winston

Danger -- if you meet it promptly and without flinching -- you will reduce the danger by half. Never run away from anything. Never!

- Churchill, Winston

Man is an exception, whatever else he is. If he is not the image of God, then he is a disease of the dust. If it is not true that a divine being fell, then we can only say that one of the animals went entirely off its head.

- Chesterton, Gilbert K.

It's no use saying, We are doing our best. You have got to succeed in doing what is necessary.

- Churchill, Winston

Want of foresight, unwillingness to act when action would be simple and effective, lack of clear thinking, confusion of counsel until the emergency comes, until self-preservation strikes its jarring gongthese are the features which constitute the endless repetition of history.

- Churchill, Winston

We have all seen with a sense of nausea the abject, squalid, shameless avowal made in the Oxford Union. We are told that we ought not to treat it seriously. The Times talked of the childrens hour. I disagree. It is a very disquieting and disgusting symptom. One can almost feel the curl of contempt upon the lips of the manhood of Germany, Italy, and France when they read the message sent out by Oxford University in the name of Young England. Let them be assured that it is not the last word. But before they blame, as blame they should, these callow ill-tutored youths, they must be sure that they have not been set a bad example by people much older and much higher up.

- Churchill, Winston

Twenty to twenty-five! These are the years! Dont be content with things as they are. Dont take No for an answer. Never submit to failure. Do not be fobbed off with mere personal success or acceptance. You will make all kinds of mistakes; but as long as you are generous and true, and also fierce, you cannot hurt the world or even seriously distress her. She was made to be wooed and won by youth. She has lived and thrived only by repeated subjugations.

- Churchill, Winston

I would say to the House, as I said to those who have joined this Government: I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat. You ask, what is our aim? I can answer in one word: It is victory, victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terror, victory, however long and hard the road may be; for without victory, there is no survival.

- Churchill, Winston

"we make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give".

- Churchill, Winston

We are all worms, but I do believe I am a glowworm.

- Churchill, Winston

I keep the subject of my inquiry constantly before me, and wait till the first dawning opens gradually, by little and little, into a full and clear light.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

If I have made any valuable discoveries, it has been owing more to patient attention than to any other talent.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the seashore, and diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, whilst the great ocean

of truth lay all undiscovered before me.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

If I have done the public any service, it is due to my patient thought.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

If I have seen further... it is by standing upon the shoulders of giants.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

If I am anything, which I highly doubt, I have made myself so by hard work.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

This most beautiful system [The Universe] could only proceed from the dominion of an intelligent and powerful Being.

- Newton, Sir Isaac

By seeking and blundering we learn.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Who had deceived thee so often as thyself?

- Franklin, Benjamin

Diligence is the mother of good luck.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Love your enemies, for they tell you your faults.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Energy and persistence alter all things.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Nothing preaches better than the act.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Well done, is better than well said.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Absence of proof is not proof of absence.

- Cowper, William

If you would not be forgotten as soon as you are dead, either write things worth reading or do things worth writing.

- Franklin, Benjamin

To be thrown upon one's own resources, is to be cast into the very lap of fortune; for our faculties then undergo a development and display an energy of which they were

previously unsusceptible.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Hide not your talents. They for use were made. What's a sundial in the shade.

- Franklin, Benjamin

There never was a truly great man that was not at the same time truly virtuous.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Your net worth to the world is usually determined by what remains after your bad habits are subtracted from your good ones.

- Franklin, Benjamin

There are two ways of being happy: We must either diminish our wants or augment our means -- either may do -- the result is the same and it is for each man to decide for himself and to do that which happens to be easier.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Happiness consists more in small conveniences of pleasures that occur every day, than in great pieces of good fortune that happen but seldom to a man in the course of his life.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The path of sorrow and that path alone, leads to a land where sorrow is unknown.

- Cowper, William

No one was ever scolded out of their sins.

- Cowper, William

Existence is a strange bargain. Life owes us little; we owe it everything. The only true happiness comes from squandering ourselves for a purpose.

- Cowper, William

The learned fool writes his nonsense in better language than the unlearned, but it is still nonsense.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The things which hurt, instruct.

- Franklin, Benjamin

He that won't be counseled can't be helped.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Leisure is the time for doing something useful. This leisure the diligent person will obtain the lazy one never.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The eternal quest of the human being is to shatter his loneliness.

- Cousins, Norman

Do not anticipate trouble, or worry about what may never happen. Keep in the sunlight.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Those disputing, contradicting, and confuting people are generally unfortunate in their affairs. They get victory, sometimes, but they never get good will, which would be of more use to them.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Man is not imprisoned by habit. Great changes in him can be wrought by crisis -- once that crisis can be recognized and understood.

- Cousins, Norman

Free will and determinism are like a game of cards. The hand that is dealt you is determinism. The way you play your hand is free will.

- Cousins, Norman

Plough deep while sluggards sleep.

- Franklin, Benjamin

There are no gains without pains.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Drugs are not always necessary, but belief in recovery always is.

- Cousins, Norman

If you would persuade, you must appeal to interest rather than intellect.

- Franklin, Benjamin

We in America have everything we need except the most important thing of all-time to think and the habit of thought.

- Cousins, Norman

I have always thought that one man of tolerable abilities may work great changes, and accomplish great affairs among mankind, if he first forms a good plan, and, cutting off all amusements or other employments that would divert his attention, make the execution of that same plan his sole study and business.

- Franklin, Benjamin

By failing to prepare, you are preparing to fail.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Work as if you were to live a hundred years. Pray as if you were to die tomorrow.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Every accent, every emphasis, every modulation of voice, was so perfectly well turned and well placed, that, without being interested in the subject, one could not help being pleased with the discourse; a pleasure of much the same kind with that received from an excellent piece of music. This is an advantage itinerant preachers have over those who are stationary, as the latter can not well improve their delivery of a sermon by so many rehearsals.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Never leave that till tomorrow which you can do today.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Do good to your friends to keep them, to your enemies to win them.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The capacity for hope is the most significant fact of life. It provides human beings with a sense of destination and the energy to get started.

- Cousins, Norman

The sense of paralysis proceeds not so much out of the mammoth size of the problem but out of the puniness of the purpose.

- Cousins, Norman

Be studious in your profession, and you will be learned. Be industrious and frugal, and you will be rich. Be sober and temperate, and you will be healthy. Be in general virtuous, and you will be happy. At least you will, by such conduct, stand the best chance for such consequences.

- Franklin, Benjamin

No enterprise can exist for itself alone. It ministers to some great need, it performs some great service, not for itself, but for others; or failing therein, it ceases to be profitable and ceases to exist.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Those who trust to chance must abide by the results of chance.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Observe all men, thyself most.

- Franklin, Benjamin

If you would have a faithful servant, and one that you like, serve yourself.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Never confuse motion with action.

- Franklin, Benjamin

All growth depends upon activity. There is no development physically or intellectually without effort, and effort means work.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Read much, but not many books.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Nothing in the World can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful men with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination are omnipotent. The slogan press on has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race.

- Coolidge, Calvin

Curiosity ... endows the people who have it with a generosity in argument and a serenity in their own mode of life which springs from their cheerful willingness to let life take the form it will.

- Cooke, Alistair

A spoonful of honey will catch more flies than a gallon of vinegar.

- Franklin, Benjamin

We are taxed twice as much by our idleness, three times as much by our pride and four times as much by our foolishness.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The best compliment to a child or a friend is the feeling you give him that he has been set free to make his own inquiries, to come to conclusions that are right for him, whether or not they coincide with your own.

- Cooke, Alistair

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

- Franklin, Benjamin

A noble man compares and estimates himself by an idea which is higher than himself; and a mean man, by one lower than himself. The one produces aspiration; the other ambition, which is the way in which a vulgar man aspires.

- Conrad, Joseph

He that rises late must trot all day.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Tomorrow every fault is to be amended; but tomorrow never comes.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Gossip is what no one claims to like, but everybody enjoys.

- Conrad, Joseph

It is respectable to have no illusions, and safe, and profitable and dull.

- Conrad, Joseph

Only in men's imagination does every truth find an effective and undeniable existence. Imagination, not invention, is the supreme master of art as of life.

- Conrad, Joseph

There are men here and there to whom the whole of life is like an after-dinner hour with a cigar; easy, pleasant, empty, perhaps enlivened by some fable of strife to be forgotten -- before the end is told -- even if there happens to be any end to it.

- Conrad, Joseph

Waste neither time nor money, but make the best use of both. Without industry and frugality, nothing will do, and with them everything.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Industry, perseverance, and frugality make fortune yield.

- Franklin, Benjamin

He does not posses wealth that allows it to possess him.

- Franklin, Benjamin

It's extraordinary how we go through life with eyes half shut, with dull ears, with dormant thoughts. Perhaps it's just as well; and it may be that it is this very dullness that makes life to the incalculable majority so supportable and so welcome.

- Conrad, Joseph

Some great men owe most of their greatness to the ability of detecting in those they destine for their tools the exact quality of strength that matters for their work.

- Conrad, Joseph

What all men are really after is some form, or perhaps only some formula, of peace.

- Conrad, Joseph

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

- Franklin, Benjamin

A man's real life is that accorded to him in the thoughts of other men by reason of respect or natural love.

- Conrad, Joseph

It is when we try to grapple with another man's intimate need that we perceive how incomprehensible, wavering, and misty are the beings that share with us the sight of the stars and the warmth of the sun.

- Conrad, Joseph

While we may not be able to control all that happens to us, we can control what happens inside us.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The great secret of succeeding in conversation is to admire little, to hear much; always to distrust our own reason, and sometimes that of our friends; never to pretend to wit, but to make that of others appear as much as possibly we can; to hearken to what is said and to answer to the purpose.

- Franklin, Benjamin

Many people die at twenty five and aren't buried until they are seventy five.

- Franklin, Benjamin

He who wants to persuade should put his trust not in the right argument, but in the right word. The power of sound has always been greater than the power of sense.

- Conrad, Joseph

To have his path made clear for him is the aspiration of every human being in our beclouded and tempestuous existence.

- Conrad, Joseph

Energy and persistence conquer all things.

- Franklin, Benjamin

The superior man is modest in his speech but exceeds in his actions.

- Confucius

Life is really simple, but men insist on making it complicated.

- Confucius

When you see a worthy person, endeavor to emulate him. When you see an unworthy person, then examine your inner self.

- Confucius

A mind always employed is always happy. This is the true secret, the grand recipe, for felicity.

- Jefferson, Thomas

The more man meditates upon good thoughts, the better will be his world and the world at large.

- Confucius

He who conquers himself is the mightiest warrior.

- Confucius

He who wishes to secure the good of others has already secured his own.

- Confucius

Before you embark on a journey of revenge, dig two graves.

- Confucius

A man who does not think and plan long ahead will find trouble right at his door.

- Confucius

Always take hold of things by the smooth handle.

- Jefferson, Thomas

There is a natural aristocracy among men. The grounds of this are virtue and talents.

- Jefferson, Thomas

I want you to be everything that's you, deep at the center of your being.

- Confucius

I find that the harder I work, the more luck I seem to have.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Whenever you are to do a thing, though it can never be known but to yourself, ask yourself how you would act were all the world looking at you, and act accordingly.

- Jefferson, Thomas

It is neither wealth nor splendor; but tranquillity and occupation which give happiness.

- Jefferson, Thomas

The art of life is the art of avoiding pain; and he is the best pilot, who steers clearest of the rocks and shoals with which it is beset.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Do not bite at the bait of pleasure, till you know there is no hook beneath it.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Nothing can stop the man with the right mental attitude from achieving his goal; nothing on earth can help the man with the wrong mental attitude.

- Jefferson, Thomas

To be wronged is nothing unless you continue to remember it.

- Confucius

When anger rises, think of the consequences.

- Confucius

In matters of principle, stand like a rock; in matters of taste, swim with the current.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Learn as though you would never be able to master it; hold it as though you would be in fear of losing it.

- Confucius

The essence of knowledge is, having it, to apply it; not having it, to confess your ignorance.

- Confucius

I cannot live without books.

- Jefferson, Thomas

The most valuable of all talents is that of never using two words when one will do.

- Jefferson, Thomas

To know is to know that you know nothing. That is the meaning of true knowledge.

- Confucius

Acquire new knowledge whilst thinking over the old, and you may become a teacher of

others.

- Confucius

For here we are not afraid to follow truth wherever it may lead...

- Jefferson, Thomas

The perfecting of one's self is the fundamental base of all progress and all moral development.

- Confucius

A fool despises good counsel, but a wise man takes it to heart.

- Confucius

How much pain worries have cost us that have never happened?

- Jefferson, Thomas

The real fault is to have faults and not amend them.

- Confucius

Our greatest glory is not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall.

- Confucius

The expectations of life depend upon diligence; the mechanic that would perfect his work

must first sharpen his tools.

- Confucius

Nothing gives a person so much advantage over another as to remain always cool and unruffled under all circumstances.

- Jefferson, Thomas

It takes courage to grow up and turn out to be who you really are.

- Cummings, E.E. (Edward. E.)

With your talents and industry, with science, and that stedfast honesty which eternally pursues right, regardless of consequences, you may promise yourself every thingbut health, without which there is no happiness. An attention to health then should take place of every other object. The time necessary to secure this by active exercises, should be devoted to it in preference to every other pursuit.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Perfect happiness I believe was never intended by the deity to be the lot of any one of his creatures in this world; but that he has very much put in our power the nearness of our approaches to it, is what I as stedfastly believe.

- Jefferson, Thomas

You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individuals. To that end, each of us must work for our own improvement and, at the same time, share a general

responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those to whom we think we can be most useful.

- Curie, Madame Marie

Nothing in life is to be feared. It is only to be understood.

- Curie, Madame Marie

You campaign in poetry. You govern in prose.

- Cuomo, Mario

I can't imagine a person becoming a success who doesn't give this game of life everything he's got.

- Cronkite, Walter

He who stops being better stops being good.

- Cromwell, Oliver

I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody.

- Cosby, Bill

My importance to the world is relatively small. On the other hand, my importance to myself is tremendous. I am all I have to work with, to play with, to suffer and to enjoy. It is not the eyes of others that I am wary of, but of my own. I do not intend to let myself down more

than I can possibly help, and I find that the fewer illusions I have about myself or the world around me, the better company I am for myself.

- Coward, Noel

A Decalogue of Canons for observation in practical life. 1. Never put off till to-morrow what you can do to-day. 2. Never trouble another for what you can do yourself. 3. Never spend your money before you have it. 4. Never buy what you do not want, because it is cheap; it will be dear to you. 5. Pride costs us more than hunger, thirst and cold. 6. We never repent of having eaten too little. 7. Nothing is troublesome that we do willingly. 8. How much pain have cost us the evils which have never happened. 9. Take things always by their smooth handle. 10. When angry, count ten, before you speak; if very angry, an hundred.

- Jefferson, Thomas

Work is more fun than fun.

- Coward, Noel

Be courteous to all, but intimate with few, and let those few be well tried before you give them your confidence. True friendship is a plant of slow growth, and must undergo and withstand the shocks of adversity before it is entitled to the appellation.

- Washington, George

Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation. It is better be alone than in bad company.

- Washington, George

The best luck of all is the luck you make for yourself.

- Macarthur, Douglas

You are remembered for the rules you break.

- Macarthur, Douglas

There's no security on this earth, only opportunity.

- Macarthur, Douglas

Age wrinkles the body. Quitting wrinkles the soul.

- Macarthur, Douglas

Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up interest wrinkles the soul.

- Macarthur, Douglas

It must be of the spirit if we are to save the flesh.

- Macarthur, Douglas

In war there is no substitute for victory.

- Macarthur, Douglas

It is fatal to enter any war without the will to win it.

- Macarthur, Douglas

Last, but by no means least, courage-moral courage, the courage of one's convictions, the courage to see things through. The world ;is in a constant conspiracy against the brave. It's the age-old struggle-the roar of the crowd on one side and the voice of your ;conscience on the other.

- Macarthur, Douglas

I always remember an epitaph which is in the cemetery at Tombstone, Arizona. It says: Here lies Jack Williams. He done his damnedest. I think that is the greatest epitaph a man can have.

- Truman, Harry S

Study men, not historians.

- Truman, Harry S

It is understanding that gives us an ability to have peace. When we understand the other fellow's viewpoint, and he understands ours, then we can sit down and work out our differences.

- Truman, Harry S

How far would Moses have gone if he had taken a poll in Egypt?

- Truman, Harry S

Intense feeling too often obscures the truth.

- Truman, Harry S

We must have strong minds, ready to accept facts as they are.

- Truman, Harry S

It is necessary to try to surpass one's self always; this occupation ought to last as long as life.

- Christina, Queen

We are given one life, and the decision is our whether to wait for circumstances to make up our mind or whether to act and, in acting, to live.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

We've learned how to destroy, but not to create; how to waste, but not to build; how to kill men, but not how to save them; how to die, but seldom how to live.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

We need to learn to set our course by the stars, not by the lights of every passing ship.

- Bradley, Omar Nelson

The person interested in success has to learn to view failure as a healthy, inevitable part of the process of getting to the top.

- Brothers, Dr. Joyce

Love comes when manipulation stops; when you think more about the other person than about his or her reactions to you. When you dare to reveal yourself fully. When you dare to be vulnerable.

- Brothers, Dr. Joyce

Humor is just another defense against the universe.

- Brooks, Mel

The person who in shaky times also wavers only increases the evil, but the person of firm decision fashions the universe.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Ambition and love are the wings to great deeds.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Deny yourself! You must deny yourself! That is the song that never ends.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Every human being has hundreds of separate people living under his skin. The talent of a writer is his ability to give them their separate names, identities, personalities and have them relate to other characters living with him.

- Brooks, Mel

Dream no small dreams for they have no power to move the hearts of men.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

How can we know ourselves? Never by reflection, but only through action. Begin at once to do your duty and immediately you will know what is inside you.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

People of uncommon abilities generally fall into eccentricities when their sphere of life is not adequate to their abilities.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

No prudent antagonist thinks light of his adversaries.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

He who enjoys doing and enjoys what he has done is happy.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

If we would build on a sure foundation in friendship, we must love friends for their sake

rather than for our own.

- Bronte, Charlotte

Sowing is not as difficult as reaping.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Do not give in too much to feelings. A overly sensitive heart is an unhappy possession on this shaky earth.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Don't dissipate your powers; strive to concentrate them. Genius thinks it can do whatever it sees others doing, but it will surely repent of every ill-judged outlay.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Don't be afraid of death so much as an inadequate life.

- Brecht, Bertolt

Only learn to seize good fortune, for good fortune's always here.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Most of the things worth doing in the world had been declared impossible before they were done.

- Brandeis, Louis D.

The first and last thing required of genius is, love of the truth.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

My definition of success is control.

- Branagh, Kenneth

For a man to achieve all that is demanded of him he must regard himself as greater than he is.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

One can be very happy without demanding that others agree with them.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

A distracted existence leads us to no goal.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

There is nothing so terrible as activity without insight.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Difficulties increase the nearer we approach the goal.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Progress has not followed a straight ascending line, but a spiral with rhythms of progress and retrogression, of evolution and dissolution.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Friendship is one of the most tangible things in a world which offers fewer and fewer supports.

- Branagh, Kenneth

The man who is born with a talent which he was meant to use finds his greatest happiness in using it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

What makes people happy is activity; changing evil itself into good by power, working in a God like manner.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The highest happiness of man is to have probed what is knowable and quietly to revere what is unknowable.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

I know you've heard it a thousand times before. But it's true -- hard work pays off. If you want to be good, you have to practice, practice, practice. If you don't love something, then

don't do it.

- Bradbury, Ray

Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.

- Borge, Victor

Those are dead even for this life who hope for no other.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The history of mankind is his character.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Man... knows only when he is satisfied and when he suffers, and only his sufferings and his satisfactions instruct him concerning himself, teach him what to seek and what to avoid. For the rest, man is a confused creature; he knows not whence he comes or whither he goes, he knows little of the world, and above all, he knows little of himself.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Film as dream, film as music. No art passes our conscience in the way film does, and goes directly to our feelings, deep down into the dark rooms of our souls.

- Bergman, Ingmar

Daring ideas are like chessmen moved forward. They may be beaten, but they may start a

winning game.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We are born princes and the civilizing process makes us frogs.

- Berne, Eric

A winner is someone who recognizes his God-given talents, works his tail off to develop them into skills, and uses these skills to accomplish his goals.

- Bird, Larry

Push yourself again and again. Don't give an inch until the final buzzer sounds.

- Bird, Larry

What is not fully understood is not possessed.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

It is the paradox of life that the way to miss pleasure is to seek it first. The very first condition of lasting happiness is that a life should be full of purpose, aiming at something outside self.

- Black, Hugo

Nothing shows a man's character more than what he laughs at.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

In the end we retain from our studies only that which we practically apply.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Everywhere, we learn only from those whom we love.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

There are nine requisites for contented living: HEALTH enough to make work a pleasure; WEALTH enough to support your needs; STRENGTH enough to battle with difficulties and forsake them; GRACE enough to confess your sins and overcome them; PATIENCE enough to toil until some good is accomplished; CHARITY enough to see some good in your neighbor; LOVE enough to move you to be useful and helpful to others; FAITH enough to make real the things of God; HOPE enough to remove all anxious fears concerning the future.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Plunge boldly into the thick of life, and seize it where you will, it is always interesting.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Life is the childhood of our immortality.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

A person hears only what they understand.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The decline in literature indicates a decline in the nation. The two keep pace in their downward tendency.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We are shaped and fashioned by what we love.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We are the slaves of objects around us, and appear little or important according as these contract or give us room to expand.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The world is for thousands a freak show; the images flicker past and vanish; the impressions remain flat and unconnected in the soul. Thus they are easily led by the opinions of others, are content to let their impressions be shuffled and rearranged and evaluated differently.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We do not have to visit a madhouse to find disordered minds; our planet is the mental institution of the universe.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Only as you do know yourself can your brain serve you as a sharp and efficient tool. Know your failings, passions, and prejudices so you can separate them from what you see. Know also when you actually have thought through to the nature of the thing with which you are dealing and when you are not thinking at all.

- Baruch, Bernard M.

If you get all the facts, your judgment can be right; if you don't get all the facts, it can't be right.

- Baruch, Bernard M.

Instruction does much, but encouragement does everything.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

It is in human nature to relax, when not compelled by personal advantage or disadvantage.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The effects of good music are not just because it's new; on the contrary music strikes us more the more familiar we are with it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

You grow up on the day you have your first real laugh at, yourself.

- Barrymore, Ethel

You must learn day by day, year by year, to broaden your horizon. The more things you love, the more you are interested in.

- Barrymore, Ethel

Luck? I don't know anything about luck. I've never banked on it, and I'm afraid of people who do. Luck to me is something else: hard work -- and realizing what is opportunity and what isn't.

- Ball, Lucille

To hard necessity ones will and fancy must conform.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Choose the life that is most useful, and habit will make it the most agreeable.

- Bacon, Francis

The right man is the one that seizes the moment.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The most original of authors are not so because they advance what is new, but more because they know how to say something, as if it had never been said before.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Write down the thoughts of the moment. Those that come unsought for are commonly the most valuable.

- Bacon, Francis

Accept the things to which fate binds you, and love the people with whom fate brings you together, but do so with all your heart.

- Aurelius, Marcus

We can always redeem the man who aspires and strives.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Austere perseverance, hash and continuous... rarely fails of its purpose, for its silent power grows irresistible greater with time.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Oral delivery aims at persuasion and making the listener believe they are converted. Few persons are capable of being convinced; the majority allow themselves to be persuaded.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

People have a peculiar pleasure in making converts, that is, in causing others to enjoy what they enjoy, thus finding their own likeness represented and reflected back to them.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

To make converts is the natural ambition of everyone.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Nothing has such power to broaden the mind as the ability to investigate systematically and truly all that comes under thy observation in life.

- Aurelius, Marcus

Whether a person shows themselves to be a genius in science or in writing a song, the only point is, whether the thought, the discovery, or the deed, is living and can live on.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The credit of advancing science has always been due to individuals and never to the age.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Science has been seriously retarded by the study of what is not worth knowing and of what is not knowable.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

No one has ever learned fully to know themselves.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Self-knowledge comes from knowing other men.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Self-love exaggerates our faults as well as our virtues.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

To understand one thing well is better than understanding many things by halves.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

It is delivery that makes the orators success.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

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

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Before you can do something you must first be something.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The deed is everything, the glory is naught.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Then indecision brings its own delays, And days are lost lamenting o'er lost days. Are you in earnest? Seize this very minute; What you can do, or dream you can, begin it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Thinking is easy, acting is difficult, and to put one's thoughts into action is the most difficult thing in the world.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Oh how sweet it is to hear one's own convictions from another's lips.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We are so constituted that we believe the most incredible things; and, once they are engraved upon the memory, woe to him who would endeavor to erase them.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Mountains cannot be surmounted except by winding paths.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The heights charm us, but the steps do not; with the mountain in our view we love to walk the plains.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Everybody wants to be somebody; nobody wants to grow.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Talents are best nurtured in solitude. Character is best formed in the stormy billows of the world.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

The formation of one's character ought to be everyone's chief aim.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Until one is committed, there is hesitancy, the chance to draw back, always ineffectiveness. Concerning all acts of initiative and creation, there is one elementary truth the ignorance of which kills countless ideas and splendid plans: that the moment one definitely commits oneself, then providence moves too. All sorts of things occur to help one that would never otherwise have occurred. A whole stream of events issues from the decision, raising in one's favor all manner of unforeseen incidents, meetings and material assistance which no man could have dreamed would have come his way. Whatever you can do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has genius, power and magic in it. Begin it now.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Seldom in the business and transactions of ordinary life, do we find the sympathy we want.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

A really great talent finds its happiness in execution.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Who is the most sensible person? The one who finds what is to their own advantage in all that happens to them.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

No wise combatant underestimates their antagonist.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Thought expands, but paralyzes; action animates, but narrows.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

One always has time enough, if one will apply it well.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

It is easier to perceive error than to find truth, for the former lies on the surface and is easily seen, while the latter lies in the depth, where few are willing to search for it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Whatever you cannot understand, you cannot possess.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Rest not. Life is sweeping by; go and dare before you die. Something mighty and sublime, leave behind to conquer time.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

A creation of importance can only be produced when its author isolates himself, it is a child of solitude.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

A useless life is an early death.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Those that are firm in their will mold the world to themselves.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

This is the highest wisdom that I own; freedom and life are earned by those alone who conquer them each day anew.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

We are never further from what we wish than when we believe that we have what we wished for.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Be generous with kindly words, especially about those who are absent.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Every spoken word arouses our self-will.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

There is nothing impossible to him who will try.

- Alexander The Great

Men freely believe that which they desire.

- Caesar, Julius

What we wish, we readily believe, and what we ourselves think, we imagine others think also.

- Caesar, Julius

As a rule, men worry more about what they can't see than about what they can.

- Caesar, Julius

Failure is unimportant. It takes courage to make a fool of yourself.

- Chaplin, Charlie

The character ethic, which I believe to be the foundation of success, teaches that there are basic principles of effective living, and that people can only experience true success

and enduring happiness as they learn and integrate these principles into their basic character.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Lose/Win people bury a lot of feelings. And unexpressed feelings come forth later in uglier ways. Psychosomatic illnesses often are the reincarnation of cumulative resentment, deep disappointment and disillusionment repressed by the Lose/Win mentality. Disproportionate rage or anger, overreaction to minor provocation, and cynicism are other embodiments of suppressed emotion. People who are constantly repressing, not transcending feelings toward a higher meaning find that it affects the quality of their relationships with others.

- Covey, Stephen R.

People who exercise their embryonic freedom day after day, little by little, expand that freedom. People who do not will find that it withers until they are literally being lived. They are acting out scripts written by parents, associates and society.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Our ultimate freedom is the right and power to decide how anybody or anything outside ourselves will affect us.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Live out of your imagination, not your history.

- Covey, Stephen R.

As a principle-centered person you try to stand apart from the emotion of the situation and from other factors that would act on you, and evaluate the options. Looking at the balanced whole--the work needs, the family needs, the other needs that may be involved, and the possible implications of the various alternatives -- you'll try to come up with the best solution taking all factors into consideration. We are limited but we can push back the borders of our limitations.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Don't argue for other people's weaknesses. Don't argue for your own. When you make a mistake, admit it, correct it, and learn from it -- immediately.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Ineffective people live day after day with unused potential. They experience synergy only in small, peripheral ways in their lives. But creative experiences can be produced regularly, consistently, almost daily in people's lives. It requires enormous personal security and openness and a spirit of adventure.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Power is the faculty or capacity to act, the strength and potency to accomplish something. It is the vital energy to make choices and decisions. It also includes the capacity to overcome deeply embedded habits and to cultivate higher, more effective ones.

- Covey, Stephen R.

You can't live principles you can't understand.

- Covey, Stephen R.

The Inside-Out approach to personal and interpersonal effectiveness means to start first with self; even more fundamentally, to start with the most inside part of self -- with your paradigms, your character, and your motives. The inside-out approach says that private victories precede public victories, that making and keeping promises to ourselves recedes making and keeping promises to others. It says it is futile to put personality ahead of character, to try to improve relationships with others before improving ourselves.

- Covey, Stephen R.

The most important ingredient we put into any relationship is not what we say or what we do, but what we are. And if our words and our actions come from superficial human relations techniques (the Personality Ethic) rather than from our own inner core (the Character Ethic), others will sense that duplicity. We simply won't be able to create and sustain the foundation necessary for effective interdependence.

- Covey, Stephen R.

People can't live with change if there's not a changeless core inside them. The key to the ability to change is a changeless sense of who you are, what you are about and what you value.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Our character is basically a composite of our habits. Because they are consistent, often

unconcious patterns, they constantly, daily, express our character

- Covey, Stephen R.

It takes a great deal of character strength to apologize quickly out of one's heart rather than out of pity. A person must possess himself and have a deep sense of security in fundamental principles and values in order to genuinely apologize.

- Covey, Stephen R.

To focus on technique is like cramming your way through school. You sometimes get by, perhaps even get good grades, but if you don't pay the price day in and day out, you'll never achieve true mastery of the subjects you study or develop an educated mind.

- Covey, Stephen R.

We simply assume that the way we see things is the way they really are or the way they should be. And our attitudes and behaviors grow out of these assumptions.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Seek first to understand and then to be understood.

- Covey, Stephen R.

If you're proactive, you don't have to wait for circumstances or other people to create perspective expanding experiences. You can consciously create your own.

- Covey, Stephen R.

Attempt the impossible in order to improve your work.

- Davis, Bette

My passions were all gathered together like fingers that made a fist. Drive is considered aggression today; I knew it then as purpose.

- Davis, Bette

I am doomed to an eternity of compulsive work. No set goal achieved satisfies. Success only breeds a new goal. The golden apple devoured has seeds. It is endless.

- Davis, Bette

To fulfill a dream to be allowed to sweat over lonely labor, to be given a chance to create, is the meat and potatoes of life. The money is the gravy.

- Davis, Bette

Father Time is not always a hard parent, and, though he tarries for none of his children, often lays his hand lightly upon those who have used him well; making them old men and women inexorably enough, but leaving their hearts and spirits young and in full vigor. With such people the gray head is but the impression of the old fellow's hand in giving them his blessing, and every wrinkle but a notch in the quiet calendar of a well-spent life.

- Dickens, Charles

This is a world of action, and not for moping and droning in.

- Dickens, Charles

A loving heart is the truest wisdom.

- Dickens, Charles

A wonderful fact to reflect upon, that every human creature is constituted to be that profound secret and mystery to every other.

- Dickens, Charles

Industry is the soul of business and the keystone of prosperity.

- Dickens, Charles

A day wasted on others is not wasted on one's self.

- Dickens, Charles

No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another.

- Dickens, Charles

I never could have done what I have done without the habits of punctuality, order, and diligence, without the determination to concentrate myself on one subject at a time...

- Dickens, Charles

I think the biggest disease this world suffers fromis people feeling unloved.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

Everyone needs to be valued. Everyone has the potential to give something back.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

When you were born, you cried and everybody else was happy. The only question that matters is this: When you die, will YOU be happy when everybody else is crying?

- Campolo, Tony

I want to walk into a room, be it a hospital for the dying or a hospital for the sick children, and feel that I am needed. I want to do, not just to be.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

Everything you want is out there waiting for you to ask. Everything you want also wants you. But you have to take action to get it.

- Canfield, Jack

When you're nice to people, they want to be nice back to you.

- Canfield, Jack

Most fears cannot withstand the test of careful scrutiny and analysis. When we expose our fears to the light of thoughtful examination they usually just evaporate.

- Canfield, Jack

At the age of 19, you always think you are prepared for everything and you think you have the knowledge of what?s coming ahead.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

The basic rule of human nature is that powerful people speak slowly and subservient people quickly --because if they don't speak fast nobody will listen to them.

- Caine, Michael

In between goals is a thing called life, that has to be lived and enjoyed.

- Caesar, Sid

I want my boys to have an understanding of people's emotions, their insecurities, people's distress, and their hopes and dreams.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

Death, so called, is a thing which makes men weep, and yet a third of life is passed in sleep.

- Byron, Lord

I have seen a thousand graves opened, and always perceived that whatever was gone, the teeth and hair remained of those who had died with them. Is not this odd? They go the

very first things in youth and yet last the longest in the dust.

- Byron, Lord

Hugs can do great amounts of good -- especially for children.

- Diana, Princess of Wales

Women hate everything which strips off the tinsel of sentiment, and they are right, or it would rob them of their weapons.

- Byron, Lord

Why I came here, I know not; where I shall go it is useless to inquire -- in the midst of myriads of the living and the dead worlds, stars, systems, infinity, why should I be anxious about an atom?

- Byron, Lord

The lapse of ages changes all things -- time, language, the earth, the bounds of the sea, the stars of the sky, and every thing about, around, and underneath man, except man himself.

- Byron, Lord

Sorrow is knowledge, those that know the most must mourn the deepest, the tree of knowledge is not the tree of life.

- Byron, Lord

If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain.

- Dickinson, Emily

I argue thee that love is life. And life hath immortality.

- Dickinson, Emily

Not knowing when the dawn will come, I open every door.

- Dickinson, Emily

We never know how high we are till we are called to rise; and then, if we are true to plan, our stature's touch the skies.

- Dickinson, Emily

Success is counted sweetest by those who never succeed.

- Dickinson, Emily

Truth is so rare that it is delightful to tell it.

- Dickinson, Emily

Death is a Dialogue between, the Spirit and the Dust.

- Dickinson, Emily

Dying is a wild night and a new road.

- Dickinson, Emily

Because I could not stop for death, He kindly stopped for me; The carriage held but just ourselves and immortality.

- Dickinson, Emily

Let us go in; the fog is rising.

- Dickinson, Emily

I would rather entertain and hope that people learned something than educate people and hope they were entertained.

- Disney, Walt

You may not realize it when it happens, but a kick in the teeth may be the best thing in the world for you.

- Disney, Walt

It's kind of fun to do the impossible.

- Disney, Walt

The more you like yourself, the less you are like anyone else, which makes you unique.

- Disney, Walt

I do not like to repeat successes, I like to go on to other things.

- Disney, Walt

We keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.

- Disney, Walt

Somehow I can't believe that there are any heights that can't be scaled by a man who knows the secrets of making dreams come true. This special secret, it seems to me, can be summarized in four C s. They are curiosity, confidence, courage, and constancy, and the greatest of all is confidence. When you believe in a thing, believe in it all the way, implicitly and unquestionable.

- Disney, Walt

“All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.”

- Disney, Walt

A consistent soul believes in destiny, a capricious one in chance.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

I have brought myself, by long meditation, to the conviction that a human being with a

settled purpose must accomplish it, and that nothing can resist a will which will stake even existence upon its fulfillment.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes men as angels.

- Augustine, St.

Talk to a man about himself and he will listen for hours.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

There is no education like adversity.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Every production of genius must be the production of enthusiasm.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

What we anticipate seldom occurs, what we least expected generally happens.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

There is no waste of time in life like that of making explanations.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

As a general rule, the most successful man in life is the man who has the best

information.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Fame and power are the objects of all men. Even their partial fruition is gained by very few; and that, too, at the expense of social pleasure, health, conscience, life.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Frank and explicit--that is the right line to take when you wish to conceal your own mind and confuse the minds of others.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

The greatest good you can do for another is not just to share your riches but to reveal to him his own.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Amusement to an observing mind is study.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Man is only truly great when he acts from his passions.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

A great person is one who affects the mind of their generation.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

To be conscious that you are ignorant is a great step to knowledge.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Two nations between whom there is no intercourse and no sympathy; who are as ignorant of each other's habits, thoughts, and feelings, as if they were dwellers in different zones, or inhabitants of different planets. The rich and the poor.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

How very seldom do you encounter in the world a man of great abilities, acquirements, experience, who will unmask his mind, unbutton his brains, and pour forth in careless and picturesque phrase all the results of his studies and observation; his knowledge of men, books, and nature. On the contrary, if a man has by any chance an original idea, he hoards it as if it were old gold; and rather avoids the subject with which he is most conversant, from fear that you may appropriate his best thoughts.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Had it not been for you, I should have remained what I was when we first met, a prejudiced, narrow-minded being, with contracted sympathies and false knowledge, wasting my life on obsolete trifles, and utterly insensible to the privilege of living in this wondrous age of change and progress.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Habit, if not resisted, soon becomes necessity.

- Augustine, St.

All sins tend to be addictive, and the terminal point of addiction is damnation.

- Auden, W. H.

Seeing much, suffering much, and studying much, are the three pillars of learning.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Life is too short to be little. Man is never so manly as when he feels deeply, acts boldly, and expresses himself with frankness and with fervor.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

We are all born for love. It is the principle of existence, and its only end.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

The magic of first love is our ignorance that it can never end.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Among those whom I like or admire, I can find no common denominator, but among those whom I love, I can: all of them make me laugh.

- Auden, W. H.

Mediocrity can talk, but it is for genius to observe.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Little things affect little minds.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Humility is the only true wisdom by which we prepare our minds for all the possible changes of life.

- Arliss, George

To write well, express yourself like common people, but think like a wise man. Or, think as wise men do, but speak as the common people do.

- Aristotle

Predominant opinions are generally the opinions of the generation that is vanishing.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Next to knowing when to seize an opportunity, the most important thing in life is to know when to forego an advantage.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

First, have a definite, clear practical ideal; a goal, an objective. Second, have the necessary means to achieve your ends; wisdom, money, materials, and methods. Third, adjust all your means to that end.

- Aristotle

Excellence is an art won by training and habituation. We do not act rightly because we have virtue or excellence, but we rather have those because we have acted rightly. We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act but a habit.

- Aristotle

Beware of the person of one book.

- Aquinas, St. Thomas

The secret of success in life is for a man to be ready for his opportunity when it comes.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

- Angelou, Maya

Nothing can resist the human will that will stake even its existence on its stated purpose.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

The secret to success is constancy to purpose.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

It was not reason that besieged Troy; it was not reason that sent forth the Saracen from the desert to conquer the world; that inspired the crusades; that instituted the monastic orders; it was not reason that produced the Jesuits; above all, it was not reason that created the French Revolution. Man is only great when he acts from the passions; never irresistible but when he appeals to the imagination.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Man is made to adore and to obey: but if you will not command him, if you give him nothing to worship, he will fashion his own divinities, and find a chieftain in his own passions.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

The pursuit of science leads only to the insoluble.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Some people regard discipline as a chore. For me, it is a kind of order that sets me free to fly.

- Andrews, Julie

Circumstances may cause interruptions and delays, but never lose sight of your goal. Prepare yourself in every way you can by increasing your knowledge and adding to your experience, so that you can make the most of opportunity when it occurs.

- Andretti, Mario

The secret of success is consistency of purpose.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Success is the child of audacity.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Action may not always bring happiness; but there is no happiness without action.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Read no history: nothing but biography, for that is life without theory.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Books are fatal: they are the curse of the human race. Nine-tenths of existing books are nonsense, and the clever books are the refutation of that nonsense. The greatest misfortune that ever befell man was the invention of printing.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Desire is the key to motivation, but it's the determination and commitment to an unrelenting pursuit of your goal -- a commitment to excellence -- that will enable you to attain the success you seek.

- Andretti, Mario

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

- Anderson, Marian

It's lack of faith that makes people afraid of meeting challenges, and I believe in myself.

- Ali, Muhammad

Perseverance and tact are the two great qualities most valuable for all those who would climb, but especially for those who have to step out of the crowd.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Without tact you can learn nothing. Tact teaches you when to be silent. Inquirers who are always questioning never learn anything.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

A person's fate is their own temper.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Nurture your mind with great thoughts, for you will never go any higher than you think.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

He who is not courageous enough to take risks will accomplish nothing in life.

- Ali, Muhammad

Be brave enough to live creatively. The creative is the place where no one else has ever

been. You have to leave the city of your comfort and go into the wilderness of your intuition. You cannot get there by bus, only by hard work, risking and by not quite knowing what you are doing. What you will discover will be wonderful; yourself.

- Alda, Alan

Time is precious, but truth is more precious than time.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Nothing can withstand the power of the human will if it is willing to stake its very existence to the extent of its purpose.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

I'm not afraid of storms, for I'm learning to sail my ship.

- Alcott, Louisa May

Far away there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they lead.

- Alcott, Louisa May

Man is not the creature of circumstances, circumstances are the creatures of men. We are free agents, and man is more powerful than matter.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

A great city, whose image dwells in the memory of man, is the type of some great idea. Rome represents conquest; Faith hovers over the towers of Jerusalem; and Athens embodies the pre-eminent quality of the antique world, Art.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

It is much easier to be critical than to be correct.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Conceit spoils the finest genius. There is not much danger that real talent or goodness will be overlooked long; even if it is, the consciousness of possessing and using it well should satisfy one, and the great charm of all power is modesty.

- Alcott, Louisa May

The secret of success is constancy of purpose.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Man know much more than he understands.

- Adler, Alfred

Never complain and never explain.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Sir, I say that justice is truth in action.

- Disraeli, Benjamin

Man's greatness consists in his ability to do and the proper application of his powers to things needed to be done.

- Douglass, Frederick

When I despair, I remember that all through history the way of truth and love has always won. There have been tyrants and murderers and for a time they seem invincible but in the end, they always fall -- think of it, ALWAYS.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

God comes to the hungry in the form of food.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Non-cooperation with evil is as much a duty as is cooperation with good.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Happiness is when what you think, what you say, and what you do are in harmony.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Hatred can be overcome only by love.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Purity of mind and idleness are incompatible.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Whenever you are confronted with an opponent. Conquer him with love.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Where there is love there is life.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

If you don't ask, you don't get.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

The difference between what we do and what we are capable of doing would suffice to solve most of the world's problem.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Poverty is the worst form of violence.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Prayer is a confession of one's own unworthiness and weakness.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Prayer is not an old woman's idle amusement. Properly understood and applied, it is the

most potent instrument of action.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Prayer is not asking. It is a longing of the soul. It is daily admission of one's weakness. It is better in prayer to have a heart without words than words without a heart.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Rationalists are admirable beings, rationalism is a hideous monster when it claims for itself omnipotence. Attribution of omnipotence to reason is as bad a piece of idolatry as is worship of stock and stone believing it to be God. I plead not for the suppression of reason, but for a due recognition of that in us which sanctifies reason.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

An eye for eye only ends up making the whole world blind.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

The history of the world is full of men who rose to leadership, by sheer force of self-confidence, bravery and tenacity.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Not to have control over the senses is like sailing in a rudderless ship, bound to break to pieces on coming in contact with the very first rock.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

In a gentle way, you can shake the world.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Be the change you want to see in the world.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Whenever you have truth it must be given with love, or the message and the messenger will be rejected.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

It is unwise to be too sure of one's own wisdom. It is healthy to be reminded that the strongest might weaken and the wisest might err.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

There is nothing that wastes the body like worry, and one who has any faith in God should be ashamed to worry about anything whatsoever.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

The control of the palate is a valuable aid for the control of the mind.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

You can chain me, you can torture me, you can even destroy this body, but you will never imprison my mind.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Culture of the mind must be subservient to the heart.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

don't grow weeds, sow seeds. a solution made is better than a problem found

- Gandhi, Mahatma

Nothing is impossible for pure love.

- Gandhi, Mahatma

The greatest education in the world is watching the masters at work.

- Jackson, Michael

Acceptance of what has happened is the first step to overcoming the consequences of any misfortune.

- James, William

If you care enough for a result, you will most certainly attain it.

- James, William

If a business does well, the stock eventually follows.

- Buffett, Warren

We forget that every good that is worth possessing must be paid for in strokes of daily effort. We postpone and postpone, until those smiling possibilities are dead.

- James, William

I always knew I was going to be rich. I don't think I ever doubted it for a minute.

- Buffett, Warren

There is but one cause of human failure. And that is man's lack of faith in his true Self.

- James, William

It is wrong always, everywhere, and for everyone, to believe anything upon insufficient evidence.

- James, William

Human beings are born into this little span of life of which the best thing is its friendship and intimacies, and soon their places will know them no more, and yet they leave their friendships and intimacies with no cultivation, to grow as they will by the roadside, expecting them to keep by force of inertia.

- James, William

You only have to do a very few things right in your life so long as you don't do too many things wrong.

- Buffett, Warren

I hope I have convinced you -- the only thing that separates successful people from the ones who aren't is the willingness to work very, very hard.

- Brown, Helen Gurley

If merely feeling good could decide, drunkenness would be the supremely valid human experience.

- James, William

The sway of alcohol over mankind is unquestionably due to its power to stimulate the mystical faculties of human nature, usually crushed to earth by the cold facts and dry criticisms of the sober hour. Sobriety diminishes, discriminates, and says no; drunkenness expands, unites, and says yes.

- James, William

The minute a man ceases to grow, no matter what his years, that minute he begins to be old.

- James, William

We must make automatic and habitual, as early as possible, as many useful actions as we can...in the acquisition of a new habit, we must take car to launch ourselves with as strong and decided initiative as possible. Never suffer an exception to occur till the new habit is securely rooted in your life.

- James, William

Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think freely, to risk life, to be needed. which give happiness. Thomas Jefferson We never enjoy perfect happiness; our most fortunate successes are mingled with sadness; some anxieties always perplex the reality of our satisfaction.

- James, William

The business schools reward difficult complex behavior more than simple behavior, but simple behavior is more effective.

- Buffett, Warren

A new idea is first condemned as ridiculous and then dismissed as trivial, until finally, it becomes what everybody knows.

- James, William

If you want a quality, act as if you already had it. Try the as if technique.

- James, William

There is no more miserable human being than one in whom nothing is habitual but indecision, and for whom the lighting of every cigar, the drinking of every cup, the time of rising and going to bed every day, and the beginning of every bit of work, are subjects of express volitional deliberation.

- James, William

Risk comes from not knowing what you're doing.

- Buffett, Warren

We don't laugh because we're happy -- we're happy because we laugh.

- James, William

Meditation brings wisdom; lack of mediation leaves ignorance. Know well what leads you forward and what hold you back, and choose the path that leads to wisdom.

- Buddha

Work out your own salvation. Do not depend on others.

- Buddha

The deepest principle of human nature is the craving to be appreciated.

- James, William

Great investment opportunities come around when excellent companies are surrounded by unusual circumstances that cause the stock to be misappraised.

- Buffett, Warren

Be vigilant; guard your mind against negative thoughts.

- Buddha

Most people never run far enough on their first wind to find out they've got a second. Give your dreams all you've got and you'll be amazed at the energy that comes out of you.

- James, William

As there is no worse lie than a truth misunderstood by those who hear it, so reasonable arguments, challenges to magnanimity, and appeals to sympathy or justice, are folly when we are dealing with human crocodiles and boa-constrictors.

- James, William

What we are today comes from our thoughts of yesterday, and our present thoughts build our life of tomorrow: Our life is the creation of our mind.

- Buddha

We are formed and molded by our thoughts. Those whose minds are shaped by selfless thoughts give joy when they speak or act. Joy follows them like a shadow that never leaves them.

- Buddha

The greatest discovery of my generation is that human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes of mind.

- James, William

It is our attitude at the beginning of a difficult task which, more than anything else, will affect its successful outcome.

- James, William

Compared to what we ought to be, we are only half awake. We are making use of only a small part of our physical and mental resources. Stating the thing broadly, the human individual thus lives far within his limits. He possesses power of various sorts which he habitually fails to use.

- James, William

Whenever two people meet there are really six people present. There is each man as he sees himself, each man as the other person sees him, and each man as he really is.

- James, William

If any organism fails to fulfill its potentialities, it becomes sick.

- James, William

We have grown literally afraid to be poor. We despise anyone who elects to be poor in

order to simplify and save his inner life. If he does not join the general scramble and pant with the money-making street, we deem him spiritless and lacking in ambition.

- James, William

Fashion your life as a garland of beautiful deeds.

- Buddha

You cannot travel on the path until you become the path itself.

- Buddha

The greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast it.

- James, William

You yourself, as much as anybody in the entire universe, deserve your love and affection.

- Buddha

It is only by risking our persons from one hour to another that we live at all.

- James, William

If you want a trait, act as if you already have the trait.

- James, William

Your work is to discover your work and then with all your heart to give yourself to it.

- Buddha

Those who are free of resentful thoughts surely find peace.

- Buddha

Holding on to anger is like grasping a hot coal with the intent of throwing it at someone else; you are the one getting burned.

- Buddha

A good friend who points out mistakes and imperfections and rebukes evil is to be respected as if he reveals a secret of hidden treasure.

- Buddha

Believe that life is worth living, and your belief will help create the fact.

- James, William

As a rule we disbelieve all the facts and theories for which we have no use.

- James, William

The rule of friendship means there should be mutual sympathy between them, each supplying what the other lacks and trying to benefit the other, always using friendly and sincere words.

- Buddha

The whole secret of existence is to have no fear. Never fear what will become of you, depend on no one. Only the moment you reject all help are you freed.

- Vivekananda, Swami

I have often thought the best way to define a man's character would be to seek out the particular mental or moral attitude in which, when it comes upon him, he felt himself most deeply and intensely active and alive. At such moments there is a voice inside which speaks and says: This is the real me!.

- James, William

I reached in experience the nirvana which is unborn, unrivalled, secure from attachment, undecaying and unstained. This condition is indeed reached by me which is deep, difficult to see, difficult to understand, tranquil, excellent, beyond the reach of mere logic, subtle, and to be realized only by the wise.

- Buddha

To serve is beautiful, but only if it is done with joy and a whole heart and a free mind.

- Buck, Pearl S.

Why should we think upon things that are lovely? Because thinking determines life. It is a common habit to blame life upon the environment. Environment modifies life but does not govern life. The soul is stronger than its surroundings.

- James, William

We never fully grasp the import of any true statement until we have a clear notion of what the opposite untrue statement would be.

- James, William

The attitude of unhappiness is not only painful, it is mean and ugly. What can be more base and unworthy than the pining, puling, mumping mood, no matter by what outward ills it may have been engendered? What is more injurious to others? What less helpful as a way out of the difficulty? It but fastens and perpetuates the trouble which occasioned it, and increases the total evil of the situation. At all costs, then, we ought to reduce the sway of that mood; we ought to scout it in ourselves and others, and never show it tolerance.

- James, William

The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook.

- James, William

The world is not comprehensible, but it is embraceable: through the embracing of one of its beings.

- Buber, Martin

The sovereign cure for worry is prayer.

- James, William

Destiny is not a matter of chance, it is a matter of choice; it is not a thing to be waited for, it is a thing to be achieved.

- Bryan, William Jennings

When you have to make a choice and don't make it, that in itself is a choice.

- James, William

The aim, if reached or not, makes great the life: try to be Shakespeare, leave the rest to fate!

- Browning, Robert

Inscribe all human effort with one word, artistry's haunting curse, the Incomplete!

- Browning, Robert

I had six honest serving men. They taught me all I knew. Their names were: Where, What, When, Why, How and Who.

- Kipling, Rudyard

I think one's feelings waste themselves in words; they ought all to be distilled into actions which bring results.

- Nightingale, Florence

Letter writing is the only device for combining solitude with good company.

- Byron, Lord

Life is a great big canvas, and you should throw all the paint on it you can.

- Kaye, Danny

Temperament lies behind mood; behind will, lies the fate of character. Then behind both, the influence of family the tyranny of culture; and finally the power of climate and environment; and we are free, only to the extent we rise above these.

- Burroughs, John

The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.

- Lombardi, Vince

If you'll not settle for anything less than your best, you will be amazed at what you can accomplish in your lives.

- Lombardi, Vince

Football is like life -- it requires perseverance, self-denial, hard work, sacrifice, dedication and respect for authority.

- Lombardi, Vince

A man can get discouraged many times but he is not a failure until he begins to blame

somebody else and stops trying.

- Burroughs, John

For anything worth having one must pay the price; and the price is always work, patience, love, self-sacrifice -- no paper currency, no promises to pay, but the gold of real service.

- Burroughs, John

Once you learn to quit, it becomes a habit.

- Lombardi, Vince

Mental toughness is many things. It is humility because it behooves all of us to remember that simplicity is the sign of greatness and meekness is the sign of true strength. Mental toughness is spartanism with qualities of sacrifice, self-denial, dedication. It is fearlessness, and it is love.

- Lombardi, Vince

The lure of the distant and the difficult is deceptive. The great opportunity is where you are.

- Burroughs, John

The secret of happiness is something to do.

- Burroughs, John

A man can be as great as he wants to be. If you believe in yourself and have the courage, the determination, the dedication, the competitive drive and if you are willing to sacrifice the little things in life and pay the price for the things that are worthwhile, it can be done.

- Lombardi, Vince

Blessed is the man who has some congenial work, some occupation in which he can put his heart, and which affords a complete outlet to all the forces there are in him.

- Burroughs, John

Only I can change my life. No one can do it for me.

- Burnett, Carol

The spirit, the will to win, and the will to excel are the things that endure. These qualities are so much more important than the events that occur.

- Lombardi, Vince

If we have not quiet in our minds, outward comfort will do no more for us than a golden slipper on a gouty foot.

- Bunyan, John

Nothing can render affliction so insupportable as the load of sin. Would you then be fitted for afflictions? Be sure to get the burden of your sins laid aside, and then what affliction soever you may meet with will be very easy to you.

- Bunyan, John

All right Mister, let me tell you what winning means... you're willing to go longer, work harder, give more than anyone else.

- Lombardi, Vince

The quality of a person's life is in direct proportion to their commitment to excellence, regardless of their chosen field of endeavor.

- Lombardi, Vince

The difference between a successful person and others is not a lack of strength, not a lack of knowledge, but rather in a lack of will.

- Lombardi, Vince

It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get up.

- Lombardi, Vince

Perfection is not attainable. But if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence.

- Lombardi, Vince

It's not the will to win, but the will to prepare to win that makes the difference.

- Bryant, Bear

There's no substitute for guts.

- Bryant, Bear

If anything goes bad, I did it. If anything goes semi-good, then we did it. If anything goes real good, then you did it. That's all it takes to get people to win football games.

- Bryant, Bear

It is the nature, and the advantage, of strong people that they can bring out the crucial questions and form a clear opinion about them. The weak always have to decide between alternatives that are not their own.

- Bonhoeffer, Dietrich

Action springs not from thought, but from a readiness for responsibility.

- Bonhoeffer, Dietrich

For pleasures past I do not grieve, nor perils gathering near; My greatest grief is that I leave nothing that claims a tear.

- Byron, Lord

History is the devil's scripture.

- Byron, Lord

I have always laid it down as a maxim --and found it justified by experience --that a man and a woman make far better friendships than can exist between two of the same sex

--but then with the condition that they never have made or are to make love to each other.

- Byron, Lord

Great ambition is the passion of a great character. Those endowed with it may perform very good or very bad acts. All depends on the principles which direct them.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Friendship is Love without his wings!

- Byron, Lord

Greatness be nothing unless it be lasting.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

True heroism consists in being superior to the ills of life, in whatever shape they may challenge us to combat.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Impossible is a word only to be found in the dictionary of fools.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Few men during their lifetime comes anywhere near exhausting the resources dwelling within them. There are deep wells of strength that are never used.

- Byrd, Richard E.

You don't just luck into things as much as you would like to think you do. You build step by step, whether it is friendships or opportunities.

- Bush, Barbara

Cherish your human connections: your relationships with friends and family.

- Bush, Barbara

Never lose sight of the fact that the most important yardstick of your success will be how you treat other people -- your family, friends, and coworkers, and even strangers you meet along the way.

- Bush, Barbara

When small men attempt great enterprises, they always end by reducing them to the level of their mediocrity.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

A wonderful realization will be the day you realize that you are unique in all the world. There is nothing that is an accident. You are a special combination for a purpose-and don't let them tell you otherwise, even if they tell you that purpose is an illusion. (Live an illusion if you have to). You are that combination so that you can do what is essential for you to do. Don't ever believe that you have nothing to contribute. The world is an incredible unfulfilled tapestry. And only you can fulfill that tiny space that is yours.

- Buscaglia, Leo

Change is the end result of all true learning. Change involves three things: First, a dissatisfaction with self -- a felt void or need; second, a decision to change to fill the void or need; and third, a conscious dedication to the process of growth and change -- the willful act of making the change, doing something.

- Buscaglia, Leo

Too often we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring, all of which have the potential to turn a life around.

- Buscaglia, Leo

Don't hold to anger, hurt or pain. They steal your energy and keep you from love.

- Buscaglia, Leo

Love is life. And if you miss love, you miss life.

- Buscaglia, Leo

If you wish to be success in the world, promise everything, deliver nothing.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

The easiest thing to be in the world is you. The most difficult thing to be is what other people want you to be. Don't let them put you in that position.

- Buscaglia, Leo

Riches do not consist in the possession of treasures, but in the use made of them.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

With audacity one can undertake anything, but not do everything.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

What you are is God's gift to you, what you do with yourself is your gift to God.

- Buscaglia, Leo

One must change one's tactics every ten years if one wishes to maintain one's superiority.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Ability is of little account without opportunity.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

The extent of your consciousness is limited only by your ability to love and to embrace with your love the space around you, and all it contains

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Victory belongs to the most persevering.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

The most dangerous moment comes with victory.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Superstition is the religion of feeble minds.

- Burke, Edmund

You must not fight too often with one enemy, or you will teach him all your tricks of war.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

I have never yet seen any plan which has not been mended by the observations of those who were much inferior in understanding to the person who took the lead in the business.

- Burke, Edmund

He that wrestles with us strengthens our nerves, and sharpens our skill. Our antagonist is our helper. This amicable conflict with difficulty helps us to an intimate acquaintance with our object, and compels us to consider it in all its relations. It will not suffer us to be superficial.

- Burke, Edmund

I have only one counsel for you -- be master.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

The strong man is the one who is able to intercept at will the communication between the senses and the mind.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

In doing good, we are generally cold, and languid, and sluggish; and of all things afraid of being too much in the right. But the works of malice and injustice are quite in another style. They are finished with a bold, masterly hand; touched as they are with the spirit of those vehement passions that call forth all our energies, whenever we oppress and persecute.

- Burke, Edmund

You must not fear death, my lads; defy him, and you drive him into the enemy's ranks.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Once you have made up your mind, stick to it; there is no longer any 'if' or 'but'.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

No passion so effectually robs the mind of all its powers of acting and reasoning as fear.

- Burke, Edmund

True wisdom for a general is vigorous determination.

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

I base my calculations on the expectation that luck will be against me

- Bonaparte, Napoleon

Don't waste your time striving for perfection, instead, strive for excellence -- doing your best.

- Olivier, Sir Lawrence

There is something to me very softening in the presence of a woman, some strange influence, even if one is not in love with them, which I cannot at all account for, having no very high opinion of the sex. But yet, I always feel in better humor with myself and every thing else, if there is a woman within ken.

- Byron, Lord

Use your weaknesses; aspire to the strength.

- Olivier, Sir Lawrence

There are no secrets to success. It is the result of preparation, hard work, learning from failure.

- Powell, Colin

Experts often possess more data than judgment.

- Powell, Colin

Sleep hath its own world, and a wide realm of wild reality. And dreams in their development have breath, and tears, and tortures, and the touch of joy.

- Byron, Lord

The beginning of atonement is the sense of its necessity.

- Byron, Lord

As long as I retain my feeling and my passion for Nature, I can partly soften or subdue my other passions and resist or endure those of others.

- Byron, Lord

I think the worst woman that ever existed would have made a man of very passable reputation -- they are all better than us and their faults such as they are must originate with ourselves.

- Byron, Lord

Roll on, deep and dark blue ocean, roll. Ten thousand fleets sweep over thee in vain. Man marks the earth with ruin, but his control stops with the shore.

- Byron, Lord

Cowards falter, but danger is often overcome by those who nobly dare.

- Elizabeth, Queen's Mother

The finest eloquence is that which gets things done; the worst is that which delays them.

- George, David Lloyd

There is nothing so fatal to character as half finished tasks.

- George, David Lloyd

Don't be afraid to take a big step if one is indicated. You can't cross a chasm in two small jumps.

- George, David Lloyd

Once blood is shed in a national quarrel reason and right are swept aside by the rage of angry men.

- George, David Lloyd

I feel the capacity to care is the thing which gives life its deepest significance.

- Casals, Pablo

The first thing to do in life is to do with purpose what one purposes to do.

- Casals, Pablo

The facts are always friendly, every bit of evidence one can acquire, in any area, leads one that much closer to what is true.

- Rogers, Carl

The good life is a process, not a state of being. It is a direction not a destination.

- Rogers, Carl

Talent alone won't make you a success. Neither will being in the right place at the right time, unless you are ready. The most important question is: Are your ready?

- Carson, Johnny

You always pass failure on the way to success.

- Rooney, Mickey

The man without a purpose is like a ship without a rudder -- waif, a nothing, a no man. Have a purpose in life, and, having it, throw such strength of mind and muscle into your work as God has given you.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The purpose of man is in action not thought.

- Carlyle, Thomas

There is often more spiritual force in a proverb than in whole philosophical systems.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Show me the person you honor, for I know better by that the kind of person you are. For

you show me what your idea of humanity is.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Let one who wants to move and convince others, first be convinced and moved themselves. If a person speaks with genuine earnestness the thoughts, the emotion and the actual condition of their own heart, others will listen because we all are knit together by the tie of sympathy.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Permanence, perseverance and persistence in spite of all obstacle s, discouragement s, and impossibilities: It is this, that in all things distinguishes the strong soul from the weak.

- Carlyle, Thomas

My philosophy of life is that if we make up our mind what we are going to make of our lives, then work hard toward that goal, we never lose -- somehow we win out

- Reagan, Ronald

The world is a republic of mediocrities, and always was.

- Carlyle, Thomas

In a controversy the instant we feel anger we have already ceased striving for the truth, and have begun striving for ourselves.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The tragedy of life is not so much what men suffer, but rather what they miss.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The true university of these days is a collection of books.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The history of the world is but the biography of great men.

- Carlyle, Thomas

A man without a goal is like a ship without a rudder.

- Carlyle, Thomas

A person who is gifted sees the essential point and leaves the rest as surplus.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The greatest of all faults, I should say, is to be conscious of none.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Surround yourself with the best people you can find, delegate authority, and don't interfere.

- Reagan, Ronald

Egotism is the source and summary of all faults and miseries.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The block of granite which was an obstacle in the pathway of the weak becomes a stepping-stone in the pathway of the strong.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Truly fertile Music, the only kind that will move us, that we shall truly appreciate, will be a Music conducive to Dream, which banishes all reason and analysis. One must not wish first to understand and then to feel. Art does not tolerate Reason.

- Camus, Albert

That is happiness: to be dissolved into something complete and great.

- Cather, Willa

Wondrous is the strength of cheerfulness, and its power of endurance -- the cheerful man will do more in the same time, will do it ;better, will preserve it longer, than the sad or sullen.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Show me the man you honor, and I will know what kind of a man you are. It shows me what your ideal of manhood is, and what kind of a man you long to be.

- Carlyle, Thomas

By nature man hates change; seldom will he quit his old home till it has actually fallen around his ears.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The best effect of any book, is that it excites the reader to self-activity.

- Carlyle, Thomas

What we become depends on what we read after all the professors have finished with us. The greatest university of all is the collection of books.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Our grand business is not to see what lies dimly at a distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.

- Carlyle, Thomas

History shows that the majority of people that have done anything great have passed their youth in seclusion.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Television's perfect. You turn a few knobs, a few of those mechanical adjustments at which the higher apes are so proficient, and lean back and drain your mind of all thought.

And there you are watching the bubbles in the primeval ooze. You don't have to concentrate. You don't have to react. You don't have to remember. You don't miss your brain because you don't need it. Your heart and liver and lungs continue to function normally. Apart from that, all is peace and quiet. You are in the man's nirvana. And if some poor nasty minded person comes along and says you look like a fly on a can of garbage, pay him no mind. He probably hasn't got the price of a television set.

- Chandler, Raymond

The first duty of love is to listen.

- Tillich, Paul

The dearest friend on earth is a mere shadow compared to Jesus Christ.

- Chambers, Oswald

You don't make progress by standing on the sidelines, whimpering and complaining. You make progress by implementing ideas.

- Chisholm, Shirley Anita

We write our own destiny; we become what we do.

- Chiang Kai-Shek, Madame

Once we are destined to live out our lives in the prison of our mind, our duty is to furnish it well.

- Ustinov, Peter

Talk low, talk slow, and don't say too much.

- Wayne, John

There is no chance, no destiny, no fate, that can hinder or control the firm resolve of a determined soul.

- Wilcox, Ella Wheeler

With every deed you are sowing a seed, though the harvest you may not see.

- Wilcox, Ella Wheeler

To know what you prefer instead of humbly saying Amen to what the world tells you ought to prefer is to have kept your soul alive.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Every noble work is at first impossible.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Nothing is more terrible than activity without insight.

- Carlyle, Thomas

An aim in life is the only fortune worth finding.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

To be wholly devoted to some intellectual exercise is to have succeeded in life.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

If a man loves the labor of his trade apart from any question of success or fame, the Gods have called him.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

We live in an ascending scale when we live happily, one thing leading to another in an endless series.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Not our logical faculty, but our imaginative one is king over us. I might say, priest and prophet to lead us to heaven-ward, or magician and wizard to lead us hellward.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Painful for a person is rebellious independence, only in loving companionship with his associates does a person feel safe: Only in reverently bowing down before the higher does a person feel exalted.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Let each become all that he was created capable of being.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Do the duty which lies nearest to you, the second duty will then become clearer.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The most unhappy of all men is the man who cannot tell what he is going to do, who has got no work cut-out for him in the world, and does not go into it. For work is the grand cure of all the maladies and miseries that ever beset mankind,honest work, which you intend getting done.

- Carlyle, Thomas

To be what we are, and to become what we are capable of becoming, is the only end of life.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Books are good enough in their own way, but they are a mighty bloodless substitute for life.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

I travel not to go anywhere, but to go. I travel for travel's sake. The great affair is to move.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

The truth that is suppressed by friends is the readiest weapon of the enemy.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

You cannot run away from weakness; you must some time fight it out or perish; and if that be so, why not now, and where you stand?

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

The mark of a good action is that it appears inevitable in retrospect.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Judge each day not by the harvest you reap but by the seeds you plant.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

There is a fellowship more quiet even than solitude, and which, rightly understood, is solitude made perfect.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Everybody, soon or late, sits down to a banquet of consequences.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

Sooner or later everyone sits down to a banquet of consequences.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

To hold the same views at forty as we held at twenty is to have been stupefied for a score of years, and take rank, not as a prophet, but as an unteachable brat, well birched and

none the wiser.

- Stevenson, Robert Louis

It pays to know the enemy -- not least because at some time you may have the opportunity to turn him into a friend.

- Thatcher, Margaret

Earnestness is not by any means everything; it is very often a subtle form of pious pride because it is obsessed with the method and not with the Master.

- Chambers, Oswald

Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; it's when you've had everything to do, and you've done it.

- Thatcher, Margaret

People think that at the top there isn't much room. They tend to think of it as an Everest. My message is that there is tons of room at the top.

- Thatcher, Margaret

It is a rare person who wants to hear want he doesn't want to hear.

- Cavett, Dick

A man lives by believing something: not by debating and arguing about many things.

- Carlyle, Thomas

One only gets to the top rung of the ladder by steadily climbing up one at a time, and suddenly all sorts of powers, all sorts of abilities which you thought never belonged to you--suddenly become within your own possibility and you think, Well, I'll have a go, too.

- Thatcher, Margaret

I always cheer up immensely if an attack is particularly wounding because I think, well, if they attack one personally, it means they have not a single political argument left.

- Thatcher, Margaret

I do not know anyone who has gotten to the top without hard work. That is the recipe. It will not always get you to the top, but it will get you pretty near.

- Thatcher, Margaret

When a man gets to despair he knows that all his thinking will never get him out. He will only get out by the sheer creative effort of God. Consequently he is in the right attitude to receive from God that which he cannot gain for himself.

- Chambers, Oswald

Books are standing counselors and preachers, always at hand, and always disinterested; having this advantage over oral instructors, that they are ready to repeat their lesson as often as we please.

- Chambers, Oswald

Do not let circumstances control you. You change your circumstances.

- Chan, Jackie

When something an affliction happens to you, you either let it defeat you, or you defeat it.

- Russell, Rosalind

We are bemused and crazed creatures, strangers to our true selves, to one another, and to the spiritual and material world -- mad, even, from an ideal standpoint we can glimpse but not adopt.

- Laing, R. D.

Whether life is worth living depends on whether there is love in life.

- Laing, R. D.

Somebody should tell us, right at the start of our lives, that we are dying. Then we might live life to the limit, every minute of every day. Do it! I say. Whatever you want to do, do it now! There are only so many tomorrows.

- Landon, Michael

It is more important to be of service than successful.

- Kennedy Jr., Robert

Those who dare to fail miserably can achieve greatly.

- Kennedy, Robert F.

Progress is a nice word, but change is its motivator and change has enemies.

- Kennedy, Robert F.

Moral courage is a more rare commodity than bravery in battle or great intelligence.

- Kennedy, Robert F.

Fear not the path of truth for the lack of people walking on it.

- Kennedy, Robert F.

Efforts and courage are not enough without purpose and direction.

- Kennedy, John F.

Once you say you're going to settle for second, that's what happens to you in life.

- Kennedy, John F.

True happiness is the full use of your powers along lines of excellence in a life affording scope.

- Kennedy, John F.

There are risks and costs to a program of action, but they are far less than the long-range

risks and costs of comfortable inaction.

- Kennedy, John F.

Let us resolve to be masters, not the victims, of our history, controlling our own destiny without giving way to blind suspicions and emotions.

- Kennedy, John F.

We must use time as a tool, not as a couch.

- Kennedy, John F.

The great enemy of the truth is very often not the lie -- deliberate, contrived, and dishonest -- but the myth -- persistent, persuasive, and unrealistic.

- Kennedy, John F.

According to the ancient Chinese proverb, A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step.

- Kennedy, John F.

He who passively accepts evil is as much involved in it as he who helps to perpetrate it.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

Everybody can be great... because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. you only

need a heart full of grace. a soul generated by love.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it. Hatred confuses life; love harmonizes it. Hatred darkens life; love illuminates it.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

We must accept finite disappointment, but never lose infinite hope.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

Nothing in the world is more dangerous than sincere ignorance and conscientious stupidity.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

Darkness can not drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

At the center of non-violence stands the principle of love.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

We must combine the toughness of the serpent with the softness of the dove, a tough mind and a tender heart.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

All progress is precarious, and the solution of one problem brings us face to face with another problem.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. That is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant.

- King Jr. Martin Luther

Never treat your audience as customers, always as partners.

- Stewart, Jimmy

It is the first of all problems for a man to find out what kind of work he is to do in this universe.

- Carlyle, Thomas

It's not what's happening to you now or what has happened in your past that determines who you become. Rather, it's your decisions about what to focus on, what things mean to you, and what you're going to do about them that will determine your ultimate destiny.

- Robbins, Anthony

If we don't see a failure as a challenge to modify our approach, but rather as a problem with ourselves, as a personality defect, we will immediately feel overwhelmed.

- Robbins, Anthony

Most people fail in life because they major in minor things.

- Robbins, Anthony

Most people have no idea of the giant capacity we can immediately command when we focus all of our resources on mastering a single area of our lives.

- Robbins, Anthony

It is not what we get. But who we become, what we contribute... that gives meaning to our lives.

- Robbins, Anthony

The truth of the matter is that there's nothing you can't accomplish if: (1) You clearly decide what it is that you're absolutely committed to achieving, (2) You're willing to take massive action, (3) You notice what's working or not, and (4) You continue to change your approach until you achieve what you want, using whatever life gives you along the way.

- Robbins, Anthony

The truth is that we can learn to condition our minds, bodies, and emotions to link pain or pleasure to whatever we choose. By changing what we link pain and pleasure to, we will instantly change our behaviors.

- Robbins, Anthony

Men's hearts ought not to be set against one another, but set with one another, and all against evil only.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Passion is the genesis of genius.

- Robbins, Anthony

Live with passion!

- Robbins, Anthony

Man's unhappiness, as I construe, comes of his greatness; it is because there is an Infinite in him, which with all his cunning he cannot quite bury under the Finite.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Success is doing what you want to do, when you want, where you want, with whom you want, as much as you want.

- Robbins, Anthony

The path to success is to take massive, determined action.

- Robbins, Anthony

If you want to be successful, find someone who has achieved the results you want and copy what they do and you'll achieve the same results.

- Robbins, Anthony

All personal breakthroughs being with a change in beliefs. So how do we change? The most effective way is to get your brain to associate massive pain to the old belief. You must feel deep in your gut that not only has this belief cost you pain in the past, but it's costing you in the present and, ultimately, can only bring you pain in the future. Then you must associate tremendous pleasure to the idea of adopting a new, empowering belief.

- Robbins, Anthony

If you develop the absolute sense of certainty that powerful beliefs provide, then you can get yourself to accomplish virtually anything, including those things that other people are certain are impossible.

- Robbins, Anthony

Any time you sincerely want to make a change, the first thing you must do is to raise your standards. When people ask me what really changed my life eight years ago, I tell them that absolutely the most important thin was changing what I demanded of myself. I wrote down all the things I would no longer accept in my life, all the things I would no longer tolerate, and all the things that I aspired to becoming.

- Robbins, Anthony

Create a vision and never let the environment, other people's beliefs, or the limits of what has been done in the past shape your decisions. Ignore conventional wisdom.

- Robbins, Anthony

We will act consistently with our view of who we truly are, whether that view is accurate or not.

- Robbins, Anthony

In essence, if we want to direct our lives, we must take control of our consistent actions. It's not what we do once in a while that shapes our lives, but what we do consistently.

- Robbins, Anthony

Action is the foundational key to all success.

- Robbins, Anthony

No person was every rightly understood until they had been first regarded with a certain feeling, not of tolerance, but of sympathy.

- Carlyle, Thomas

If time is precious, no book that will not improve by repeated reading deserves to be read at all.

- Carlyle, Thomas

I believe life is constantly testing us for our level of commitment, and life's greatest rewards are reserved for those who demonstrate a never-ending commitment to act until they achieve. This level of resolve can move mountains, but it must be constant and consistent. As simplistic as this may sound, it is still the common denominator separating those who live their dreams from those who live in regret.

- Robbins, Anthony

To effectively communicate, we must realize that we are all different in the way we perceive the world and use this understanding as a guide to our communication with others.

- Robbins, Anthony

One reason so few of us achieve what we truly want is that we never direct our focus; we never concentrate our power. Most people dabble their way through life, never deciding to master anything in particular.

- Robbins, Anthony

The way we communicate with others and with ourselves ultimately determines the quality of our lives.

- Robbins, Anthony

The secret of success is learning how to use pain and pleasure instead of having pain and

pleasure use you. If you do that, you're in control of your life. If you don't, life controls you.

- Robbins, Anthony

Take control of your consistent emotions and begin to consciously and deliberately reshape your daily experience of life.

- Robbins, Anthony

So many worlds, so much to do, so little done, such things to be.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Cast your cares on God; that anchor holds.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

I am a part of all that I have met.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

The greater person is one of courtesy.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Man dreams of fame while woman wakes to love.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Either sex alone is half itself.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Self-reverence, self-knowledge, self-control; these three alone lead one to sovereign power.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Battering the gates of heaven with the storms of prayer.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

The chief danger in life is that you may take too many precautions.

- Adler, Alfred

Sin is too stupid to see beyond itself.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

Learning is not attained by chance. It must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.

- Adams, Abigail

I must lose myself in action, lest I wither in despair.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield.

- Tennyson, Lord Alfred

The education of a man is never complete until he dies.

- Lee, Robert E.

Never do a wrong thing to make a friend or to keep one.

- Lee, Robert E.

I am of the opinion that all who can should vote for the most intelligent, honest, and conscientious men eligible to office, irrespective of former party opinions, who will endeavour to make the new constitutions and the laws passed under them as beneficial as possible to the true interests, prosperity, and liberty of all classes and conditions of the people.

- Lee, Robert E.

It is fortunate that war is so terrible, lest we become to fond of it.

- Lee, Robert E.

If you once forfeit the confidence of your fellow citizens, you can never regain their respect and esteem. You may fool all of the people some of the time; you can even fool some of the people all the time; but you can't fool all of the people all of the time.

- Lincoln, Abraham

Dream as if you'll live forever. Live as if you'll die tomorrow.

- Dean, James

I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination.

- Dean, Jimmy

Middle age is youth without levity, and age without decay.

- Defoe, Daniel

If you would be a real seeker after truth, it is necessary that at least once in your life you doubt, as far as possible, all things.

- Descartes, Rene

Whenever anyone has offended me, I try to raise my soul so high that the offense cannot reach it.

- Descartes, Rene

The readiest and surest way to get rid of censure, is to correct ourselves.

- Demosthenes

Nothing is easier than self-deceit. For what each man wishes, that he also believes to be true.

- Demosthenes

It is not enough to have a good mind, the main thing is to use it well.

- Descartes, Rene

Divide each difficulty into as many parts as is feasible and necessary to resolve it.

- Descartes, Rene

To know what people really think, pay regard to what they do, rather than what they say.

- Descartes, Rene

The reading of all good books is like a conversation with all the finest men of past centuries.

- Descartes, Rene

Except our own thoughts, there is nothing absolutely in our power.

- Descartes, Rene

Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid... for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

- Deuteronomy

Such happiness as life is capable of comes from the full participation of all our powers in

the endeavor to wrest from each changing situations of experience its own full and unique meaning.

- Dewey, John

Man is not logical and his intellectual history is a record of mental reserves and compromises. He hangs on to what he can in his old beliefs even when he is compelled to surrender their logical basis.

- Dewey, John

Every great advance in science has issued from a new audacity of imagination.

- Dewey, John

We cannot seek or attain health, wealth, learning, justice or kindness in general. Action is always specific, concrete, individualized, unique.

- Dewey, John

We only think when we are confronted with problems.

- Dewey, John

The aim of education should be to teach us rather how to think, than what to think -- rather to improve our minds, so as to enable us to think for ourselves, than to load the memory with the thoughts of other men.

- Dewey, John

The path of least resistance and least trouble is a mental rut already made. It requires troublesome work to undertake the alternation of old beliefs. Self-conceit often regards it as a sign of weakness to admit that a belief to which we have once committed ourselves is wrong. We get so identified with an idea that it is literally a pet notion and we rise to its defense and stop our eyes and ears to anything different.

- Dewey, John

A new kind of award has been added -- the deathbed award. It is not an award of any kind. Either the recipient has not acted at all, or was not nominated, or did not win the award the last few times around. It is intended to relieve the guilty conscience of the Academy members and save face in front of the public. The Academy has the horrible taste to have a star, choking with emotion, present this deathbed award so that there can be no doubt in anybody's mind why the award is so hurriedly given. Lucky is the actor who is too sick to watch the proceedings on television.

- Dietrich, Marlene

The cure for anything is salt water - sweat, tears, or the sea.

- Dinesen, Isak

Wise leaders generally have wise counselors because it takes a wise person themselves to distinguish them.

- Diogenes of Sinope

No man is hurt but by himself

- Diogenes of Sinope

Let thy speech be better than silence, or be silent.

- Dionysius of Halicarnassus

The mind is no match with the heart in persuasion; constitutionality is no match with compassion.

- Dirksen, Everett M.

If you are determined enough and willing to pay the price, you can get it done.

- Ditka, Mike

In a world where there is so much to be done, I felt strongly impressed that there must be something for me to do.

- Dix, Dorothy

It seems, in fact, as though the second half of a man's life is made up of nothing, but the habits he has accumulated during the first half.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

The greatest happiness is to know the source of unhappiness.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

Happiness does not lie in happiness, but in the achievement of it.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

Man only likes to count his troubles, but he does not count his joys.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

Taking a new step, uttering a new word, is what people fear most.

- Dostoevsky, Fyodor

By the time we hit fifty, we have learned our hardest lessons. We have found out that only a few things are really important. We have learned to take life seriously, but never ourselves.

- Dressler, Marie

It is not how old you are, but how you are old.

- Dressler, Marie

You will find, as you look back upon your life, that the moments when you really lived are the moments when you have done things in the spirit of love.

- Drummond, Henry

To love abundantly is to live abundantly, and to love forever is to live forever.

- Drummond, Henry

Therefore keep in the midst of life. Do not isolate yourself. Be among men and things, and among troubles, and difficulties, and obstacles.

- Drummond, Henry

To become Christ-like is the only thing in the whole world worth caring for, the thing before which every ambition of man is folly and all lower achievement vain.

- Drummond, Henry

On the last analysis, then, love is life. Love never faileth and life never faileth so long as there is love.

- Drummond, Henry

The measure of success is not whether you have a tough problem to deal with, but whether it's the same problem you had last year.

- Dulles, John Foster

The aim of marketing is to know and understand the customer so well the product or service fits him and sells itself.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Objectives are not fate; they are direction. They are not commands; they are

commitments. They do not determine the future; they are means to mobilize the resources and energies of the business for the making of the future.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Today knowledge has power. It controls access to opportunity and advancement.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Leadership is not magnetic personality--that can just as well be a glib tongue. It is not making friends and influencing people --that is flattery. Leadership is lifting a person's vision to higher sights, the raising of a person's performance to a higher standard, the building of a personality beyond its normal limitations.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The better a man is the more mistakes he will make for the more things he will try.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The purpose of a business is to create a customer.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Business has only two functions -- marketing and innovation.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The entrepreneur always searches for change, responds to it, and exploits it as an

opportunity.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Until we can manage TIME, we can manage nothing else.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The most important thing in communication is to hear what isn't being said.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Concentration is the key to economic results. No other principles of effectiveness is violated as constantly today as the basic principle of concentration.

- Drucker, Peter F.

The best way to predict the future is to create it.

- Drucker, Peter F.

Each victim of suicide gives his act a personal stamp which expresses his temperament, the special conditions in which he is involved, and which, consequently, cannot be explained by the social and general causes of the phenomenon.

- Durkheim, Emile

One of the lessons of history is that nothing is often a good thing to do and always a clever thing to say.

- Durant, William J.

When liberty destroys order the hunger for order will destroy liberty.

- Durant, William J.

Nature has never read the Declaration of Independence. It continues to make us unequal.

- Durant, William J.

We are living in the excesses of freedom. Just take a look at 42nd Street an Broadway.

- Durant, William J.

Every form of government tends to perish by excess of its basic principles.

- Durant, William J.

Education is a progressive discovery of our ignorance.

- Durant, William J.

Be glad of life because it gives you a chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at stars.

- Dyke, Henry Van

There is only one way to get ready for immortality, and that is to love this life and live it as bravely and faithfully and cheerfully as we can.

- Dyke, Henry Van

What you possess in the world will be found at the day of your death to belong to someone else. But what you are will be yours forever.

- Dyke, Henry Van

There is no personal charm so great as the charm of a cheerful temperament.

- Dyke, Henry Van

Time is Too slow for those who wait, Too swift for those who fear, Too long for those who grieve, Too short for those who rejoice. But for those who love, time is not.

- Dyke, Henry Van

Some people are so afraid to die that they never begin to live.

- Dyke, Henry Van

A person is a success if they get up in the morning and gets to bed at night and in between does what he wants to do.

- Dylan, Bob

Jesus tapped me on the shoulder and said, Bob, why are you resisting me? I said, I'm not resisting you! He said, You gonna follow me? I said, I've never thought about that before! He said, When you're not following me, you're resisting me.

- Dylan, Bob

He has not learned the first lesson of life who does not every day surmount a fear.

- Dryden, John

We first make our habits, and then our habits make us.

- Dryden, John

Ill habits gather unseen degrees, as brooks make rivers, rivers run to seas.

- Dryden, John

Only man clogs his happiness with care, destroying what is, with thoughts of what may be.

- Dryden, John

He who would search for pearls must dive below.

- Dryden, John

Fortune befriends the bold.

- Dryden, John

Far more numerous are those as such; who think too little and talk too much.

- Dryden, John

Time is the most valuable coin in your life. You and you alone will determine how that coin will be spent. Be careful that you don't let other people spend it for you.

- Dryden, John

Look around the inhabited world; how few know their own good, or knowing it, pursue.

- Dryden, John

Like pilgrims to the appointed place we tend; The world's an inn, and death the journey's end.

- Dryden, John

To die is landing on some distant shore.

- Dryden, John

Our lives are a sum total of the choices we have made.

- Dyer, Wayne

Anything you really want, you can attain, if you really go after it.

- Dyer, Wayne

The highest form of ignorance is when you reject something you don't know anything about.

- Dyer, Wayne

There's no scarcity of opportunity to make a living at what you love. There is only a scarcity of resolve to make it happen.

- Dyer, Wayne

When you judge another, you do not define them, you define yourself.

- Dyer, Wayne

Real magic in relationships means an absence of judgment of others.

- Dyer, Wayne

Maxim for life: You get treated in life the way you teach people to treat you.

- Dyer, Wayne

There's nothing wrong with anger provided you use it constructively.

- Dyer, Wayne

Love is the ability and willingness to allow those that you care for to be what they choose for themselves, without any insistence that they satisfy you.

- Dyer, Wayne

Loving people live in a loving world. Hostile people live in a hostile world. Same world.

- Dyer, Wayne

As you think so shall you be! Since you cannot physically experience another person, you can only experience them in your mind. Conclusion: All of the other people in your life are simply thoughts in your mind. Not physical beings to you, but thoughts. Your relationships are all in how you think about the other people of your life. Your experience of all those people is only in your mind. Your feelings about your lovers come from your thoughts. For example, they may in fact behave in ways that you find offensive. However, your relationship to them when they behave offensively is not determined by their behavior, it is determined only by how you choose to relate to that behavior. Their actions are theirs, you cannot own them, you cannot be them, you can only process them in your mind.

- Dyer, Wayne

When I chased after money, I never had enough. When I got my life on purpose and focused on giving of myself and everything that arrived into my life, then I was prosperous.

- Dyer, Wayne

Successful people make money. It's not that people who make money become successful, but that successful people attract money. They bring success to what they do.

- Dyer, Wayne

Self-actualized people are independent of the good opinion of others.

- Dyer, Wayne

You'll seldom experience regret for anything that you've done. It is what you haven't done that will torment you. The message, therefore, is clear. Do it! Develop an appreciation for the present moment. Seize every second of your life and savor it. Value your present moments. Using them up in any self-defeating ways means you've lost them forever.

- Dyer, Wayne

Life is never boring, but some people choose to be bored.

- Dyer, Wayne

The concept of boredom entails an inability to use up present moments in a personally fulfilling way.

- Dyer, Wayne

If all people are unique, and if they are constantly changing each and every day, then all one can say about any social research finding is that it applied to that group of people on that given day, and given the propensity of humans to be different and to change, then it is unlikely that one would get the same results if one were to repeat the study.

- Dyer, Wayne

Be miserable. Or motivate yourself. Whatever has to be done, it's always your choice.

- Dyer, Wayne

Give up your personal history.

- Dyer, Wayne

The effect of having other interests beyond those domestic works well. The more one does and sees and feels, the more one is able to do, and the more genuine may be one's appreciation of fundamental things like home, and love, and understanding companionship.

- Earhart, Amelia

Courage is the price that life exacts for granting peace. The soul that knows it not, knows no release from little things; knows not the livid loneliness of fear.

- Earhart, Amelia

Sometimes if you want to see a change for the better, you have to take things into your own hands.

- Eastwood, Clint

History teaches us that men and nations behave wisely once they have exhausted all other alternatives.

- Eban, Abba

Service is the rent we pay for being. It is the very purpose of life, and not something you do in your spare time.

- Edelman, Marian Wright

We must not, in trying to think about how we can make a big difference, ignore the small daily differences we can make which, over time, add up to big differences that we often cannot foresee.

- Edelman, Marian Wright

Most people seek after what they do not possess and are enslaved by the very things they want to acquire.

- El-Sadat, Anwar

Gray skies are just clouds passing over.

- Ellington, Duke

A problem is your chance to do your best.

- Ellington, Duke

You'll come to learn a great deal if you study the Insignificant in depth.

- Elytis, Odysseus

No sooner said than done -- so acts your man of worth.

- Ennius, Quintus

A compromise is the art of dividing a cake in such a way that everyone believes that he

has got the biggest piece.

- Erhard, Ludwig

Hope is both the earliest and the most indispensable virtue inherent in the state of being alive. If life is to be sustained hope must remain, even where confidence is wounded, trust impaired.

- Erikson, Erik H.

A leader is someone who helps improve the lives of other people or improve the system they live under.

- Ervin, Sam

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

- Erving, Julius

If you don't do what's best for your body, you're the one who comes up on the short end.

- Erving, Julius

The sad truth is that opportunity doesn't knock twice. You can put things off until tomorrow but tomorrow may never come. Where will you be a few years down the line. Will it be everything you dreamed of. We seal our fate with the choices we take, but don't give a second thought to the chances we take.

- Estefan, Gloria

If you're a champion, you have to have it in your heart.

- Evert, Chris

Ninety percent of my game is mental. It's my concentration that has gotten me this far.

- Evert, Chris

In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.

- Einstein, Albert

Education is the progressive realization of our ignorance.

- Einstein, Albert

It is our American habit if we find the foundations of our educational structure unsatisfactory to add another story or wing. We find it easier to add a new study or course or kind of school than to recognize existing conditions so as to meet the need. strangled the holy curious of inquiry. It is a very grave mistake to think that the enjoyment of seeing and searching can be promoted by means of coercion and a sense of duty.

- Einstein, Albert

The bitter and the sweet come from the outside, the hard from within, from one's own efforts.

- Einstein, Albert

I know quite certainly that I myself have no special talent; curiosity, obsession and dogged endurance, combined with self-criticism have brought me to my ideas.

- Einstein, Albert

If the facts don't fit the theory, change the facts.

- Einstein, Albert

Many times a day I realize how much my own life is built on the labors of my fellowmen, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received.

- Einstein, Albert

Few are those who see with their own eyes and feel with their own hearts.

- Einstein, Albert

A human being is part of the whole, called by us 'universe,' a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts and feelings, as something separate from the rest -- a kind of optical delusion of consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest to us. Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty.

- Einstein, Albert

We cannot despair of humanity, since we ourselves are human beings.

- Einstein, Albert

They come into being not through demonstration but through revelation, through the medium of powerful personalities.

- Einstein, Albert

To know is nothing at all; to imagine is everything.

- Einstein, Albert

Imagination is more important than knowledge. For knowledge is limited to all we now know and understand, while imagination embraces the entire world, and all there ever will be to know and understand.

- Einstein, Albert

We should take care not to make the intellect our god: it has, of course, powerful muscles, but no personality.

- Einstein, Albert

Intellectuals solve problems; geniuses prevent them.

- Einstein, Albert

The only real valuable thing is intuition.

- Einstein, Albert

The difference between what the most and the least learned people know is inexpressibly trivial in relation to that which is unknown.

- Einstein, Albert

The ideals which have always shone before me and filled me with the joy of living are goodness, beauty, and truth.

- Einstein, Albert

The world is a dangerous place to live; not because of the people who are evil, but because of the people who don't do anything about it.

- Einstein, Albert

It is strange to be known so universally and yet to be so lonely.

- Einstein, Albert

Love is a better teacher than duty.

- Einstein, Albert

Only one who devotes himself to a cause with his whole strength and soul can be a true master. For this reason mastery demands all of a person.

- Einstein, Albert

When I examine myself and my methods of thought, I come to the conclusion that the gift of fantasy has meant more to me than my talent for absorbing positive knowledge.

- Einstein, Albert

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.

- Einstein, Albert

It is a miracle that curiosity survives formal education.

- Einstein, Albert

A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new.

- Einstein, Albert

Man tries to make for himself in the fashion that suits him best a simplified and intelligible picture of the world; he then tries to some extent to substitute this cosmos of his for the world of experience, and thus to overcome it.

- Einstein, Albert

The most beautiful emotion we can experience is the mysterious. It is the power of all true art and science. He to whom this emotion is a stranger, who can no longer wonder and

stand rapt in awe, is as good as dead. To know that what is impenetrable to us really exists, manifesting itself as the highest wisdom and the most radiant beauty, which our dull faculties can comprehend only in their most primitive forms -- this knowledge, this feeling, is at the center of true religiousness. In this sense, and in this sense only, I belong to the rank of devoutly religious men.

- Einstein, Albert

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

Great spirits have always found violent opposition from mediocrities. The latter cannot understand it when a man does not thoughtlessly submit to hereditary prejudices, but honestly and courageously uses his intelligence.

- Einstein, Albert

The opinion prevailed among advanced minds that it was time that belief should be replaced increasingly by knowledge; belief that did not itself rest on knowledge was superstition, and as such had to be opposed.

- Einstein, Albert

It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer.

- Einstein, Albert

I think and think for months and years. Ninety-nine times, the conclusion is false. The hundredth time I am right.

- Einstein, Albert

We all try to escape pain and death, while we seek what is pleasant.

- Einstein, Albert

Possessions, outward success, publicity, luxury -- to me these have always been contemptible. I assume that a simple and unassuming manner of life is best for everyone, best for both the body and the mind

- Einstein, Albert

The only way to escape the personal corruption of praise is to go on working.

- Einstein, Albert

Problems cannot be solved at the same level of awareness that created them.

- Einstein, Albert

The formulation of a problem is often more essential than its solution, which may be merely a matter of mathematical or experimental skill.

- Einstein, Albert

When you are courting a nice girl an hour seems like a second. When you sit on a red-hot cinder a second seems like an hour. That's relativity.

- Einstein, Albert

My religion consists of a humble admiration of the unlimitable superior who reveals Himself in the slight details we are able to perceive with our frail and feeble minds. That deeply emotional conviction of the presence of a superior reasoning power, which is revealed in the incomprehensible universe, forms my idea of God.

- Einstein, Albert

If we knew what we were doing it wouldn't be research.

- Einstein, Albert

Keep on sowing your seed, for you never know which will grow -- perhaps it all will.

- Einstein, Albert

A man should look for what is, and not for what he thinks should be.

- Einstein, Albert

Science without religion is lame, religion without science is blind.

- Einstein, Albert

Science is the century-old endeavor to bring together by means of systematic thought the

perceptible phenomena of this world into as thorough-going an association as possible.

- Einstein, Albert

Science is the attempt to make the chaotic diversity of our sense experience correspond to a logically uniform system of thought.

- Einstein, Albert

When the number of factors coming into play in a phenomenological complex is too large scientific method in most cases fails.

- Einstein, Albert

Where the world ceases to be the scene of our personal hopes and wishes, where we face it as free beings admiring, asking and observing, there we enter the realm of Art and Science

- Einstein, Albert

The high destiny of the individual is to serve rather than to rule...

- Einstein, Albert

Only a life lived in the service to others is worth living.

- Einstein, Albert

Things should be made as simple as possible, but not any simpler.

- Einstein, Albert

Most of the fundamental ideas of science are essentially simple, and may, as a rule, be expressed in a language comprehensible to everyone.

- Einstein, Albert

The grand aim of all science is to cover the greatest number of empirical facts by logical deduction from the smallest number of hypotheses or axioms.

- Einstein, Albert

I live in that solitude which is painful in youth, but delicious in the years of maturity.

- Einstein, Albert

When you examine the lives of the most influential people who have ever walked among us, you discover one thread that winds through them all. They have been aligned first with their spiritual nature and only then with their physical selves.

- Einstein, Albert

The most important human endeavor is the striving for morality in our actions. Our inner balance and even our very existence depend on it. Only morality in our actions can give beauty and dignity to life.

- Einstein, Albert

All meaningful and lasting change starts first in your imagination and then works its way out. Imagination is more important than knowledge.

- Einstein, Albert

A photograph never grows old. You and I change, people change all through the months and years, but a photograph always remains the same. How nice to look at a photograph of mother or father taken many years ago. You see them as you remember them. But as people live on, they change completely. That is why I think a photograph can be kind.

- Einstein, Albert

The real difficulty, the difficulty which has baffled the sages of all times, is rather this: how can we make our teaching so potent in the motional life of man, that its influence should withstand the pressure of the elemental psychic forces in the individual?

- Einstein, Albert

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.

- Einstein, Albert

Technological progress is like an ax in the hands of a pathological criminal.

- Einstein, Albert

It is theory that decides what can be observed.

- Einstein, Albert

Creating a new theory is not like destroying an old barn and erecting a skyscraper in its place. It is rather like climbing a mountain, gaining new and wider views, discovering unexpected connections between our starting points and its rich environment. But the point from which we started out still exists and can be seen, although it appears smaller and forms a tiny part of our broad view gained by the mastery of the obstacles on our adventurous way up.

- Einstein, Albert

A theory is the more impressive the greater is the simplicity of its premises, the more different are the kinds of things it relates and the more extended the range of its applicability.

- Einstein, Albert

We shall require a substantially new manner of thinking if mankind is to survive.

- Einstein, Albert

Whoever undertakes to set himself up as judge in the field of truth and knowledge is shipwrecked by the laughter of the Gods.

- Einstein, Albert

The pursuit of truth and beauty is a sphere of activity in which we are permitted to remain children all our lives.

- Einstein, Albert

The most incomprehensible thing about the world is that it is comprehensible.

- Einstein, Albert

Try not to become a man of success but rather try to become a man of value.

- Einstein, Albert

All that is valuable in human society depends upon the opportunity for development accorded the individual.

- Einstein, Albert

How do I work? I grope.

- Einstein, Albert

To understand the world one must not be worrying about one's self.

- Einstein, Albert

The distinctions separating the social classes are false; in the last analysis they rest on force.

- Einstein, Albert

It gives me great pleasure indeed to see the stubbornness of an incorrigible nonconformist warmly acclaimed.

- Einstein, Albert

Confusion of goals and perfection of means seems, in my opinion, to characterize our age.

- Einstein, Albert

Each of us is here for a brief sojourn; for what purpose he knows not, though he senses it. But without deeper reflection one knows from daily life that one exists for other people.

- Einstein, Albert

A hundred times every day I remind myself that my inner and outer life depend on the labors of other men, living and dead, and that I must exert myself in order to give in the same measure as I have received and am still receiving.

- Einstein, Albert

The ideas that have lighted my way and, time after time, have given me new courage to face life cheerfully have been Kindness, Beauty, and Truth.

- Einstein, Albert

The secret to creativity is knowing how to hide your sources.

- Einstein, Albert

The legs are the wheels of creativity.

- Einstein, Albert

The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing. One cannot help but be in awe when he contemplates the mysteries of eternity, of life, of the marvelous structure of reality. It is enough if one tries merely to comprehend a little of this mystery everyday. Never lose a holy curiosity.

- Einstein, Albert

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- Einstein, Albert

He who can no longer pause to wonder and stand rapt in awe is as good as dead; his eyes are closed.

- Einstein, Albert

It is not enough that you should understand about applied science in order that your work may increase mans blessings. Concern for the man himself and his fate must always form the chief interest of all technical endeavors; concern for the great unsolved problems of the organization of labor and the distribution of goods in order that the creations of our mind shall be a blessing and not a curse to mankind. Never forget this in the midst of your diagrams and equations.

- Einstein, Albert

A man's ethical behavior should be based effectually on sympathy, education, and social

ties; no religious basis is necessary. Man would indeed be in a poor way if he had to be restrained by fear of punishment and hope of reward after death.

- Einstein, Albert

There is no logical way to the discovery of these elemental laws. There is only the way of intuition, which is helped by a feeling for the order lying behind the appearance.

- Einstein, Albert

Our deeds still travel with us from afar, and what we have been makes us what we are.

- Eliot, George

Our deeds determine us, as much as we determine our deeds.

- Eliot, George

There is no despair so absolute as that which comes with the first moments of our first great sorrow, when we have not yet known what it is to have suffered and be healed, to have despaired and have recovered hope.

- Eliot, George

It is never too late to be what you might have been.

- Eliot, George

No evil dooms us hopelessly except the evil we love, and desire to continue in, and make

no effort to escape from.

- Eliot, George

Excellence encourages one about life generally; it shows the spiritual wealth of the world.

- Eliot, George

We shall not cease from exploration and the end of all our exploring will be to arrive where we started... and know the place for the first time.

- Eliot, T. S.

Hell is oneself, hell is alone, the other figures in it merely projections. There is nothing to escape from and nothing to escape to. One is always alone.

- Eliot, T. S.

Only by acceptance of the past, can you alter it.

- Eliot, T. S.

What we know of other people's only our memory of the moments during which we knew them.

- Eliot, T. S.

If you haven't the strength to impose your own terms upon life, you must accept the terms it offers you.

- Eliot, T. S.

Most of the trouble in the world is caused by people wanting to be important.

- Eliot, T. S.

Humankind cannot bear very much reality.

- Eliot, T. S.

Only those who will risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go.

- Eliot, T. S.

Success is relative. It is what we can make of the mess we have made of things.

- Eliot, T. S.

It is a medium of entertainment which permits millions of people to listen to the same joke at the same time, and yet remain lonesome.

- Eliot, T. S.

Remember that you are an actor in a drama, of such a part as it may please the master to assign you, for a long time or for a little as he may choose. And if he will you to take the part of a poor man, or a cripple, or a ruler, or a private citizen, then may you act that part with grace! For to act well the part that is allotted to us, that indeed is ours to do, but to choose it is another s.

- Epictetus

No man is free who is not a master of himself.

- Epictetus

The greater the difficulty the more glory in surmounting it. Skillful pilots gain their reputation from storms and tempests.

- Epictetus

No great thing is created suddenly.

- Epictetus

There is only one way to happiness and that is to cease worrying about things which are beyond the power of our will.

- Epictetus

Neither should a ship rely on one small anchor, nor should life rest on a single hope.

- Epictetus

It is not he who gives abuse that affronts, but the view that we take of it as insulting; so that when one provokes you it is your own opinion which is provoking.

- Epictetus

It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters.

- Epictetus

One that desires to excel should endeavor in those things that are in themselves most excellent.

- Epictetus

It is the nature of the wise to resist pleasures, but the foolish to be a slave to them.

- Epictetus

Make the best use of what is in your power, and take the rest as it happens.

- Epictetus

He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has.

- Epictetus

It is your own convictions which compels you; that is, choice compels choice.

- Epictetus

If evil be spoken of you and it be true, correct yourself, if it be a lie, laugh at it.

- Epictetus

I never desired to please the rabble. What pleased them, I did not learn; and what I knew was far removed from their understanding.

- Epicurus

If thou wilt make a man happy, add not unto his riches but take away from his desires.

- Epicurus

It is impossible to live a pleasant life without living wisely and well and justly. And it is impossible to live wisely and well and justly without living a pleasant life.

- Epicurus

Misfortune seldom intrudes upon the wise man; his greatest and highest interests are directed by reason throughout the course of life.

- Epicurus

Skillful pilots gain their reputation from storms and tempest.

- Epicurus

Do not plan for ventures before finishing what's at hand.

- Euripides

Joint undertakings stand a better chance when they benefit both sides.

- Euripides

Events will take their course, it is no good of being angry at them; he is happiest who wisely turns them to the best account.

- Euripides

You have to learn the rules of the game. And then you have to play better than anyone else.

- Feinstein, Dianne

Life cannot defeat a writer who is in love with writing; for life itself is a writer's love until death.

- Ferber, Edna

There is no end. There is no beginning. There is only the infinite passion of life.

- Fellini, Frederico

People between twenty and forty are not sympathetic. The child has the capacity to do but it can't know. It only knows when it is no longer able to do --after forty. Between twenty and forty the will of the child to do gets stronger, more dangerous, but it has not begun to learn to know yet. Since his capacity to do is forced into channels of evil through environment and pressures, man is strong before he is moral. The world's anguish is caused by people between twenty and forty.

- Faulkner, William

An artist is a creature driven by demons. He doesn't know why they choose him and he's usually too busy to wonder why.

- Faulkner, William

The aim of every artist is to arrest motion, which is life, by artificial means and hold it fixed so that a hundred years later, when a stranger looks at it, it moves again since it is life. Since man is mortal, the only immortality possible for him is to leave something behind him that is immortal since it will always move. This is the artist's way of scribbling Kilroy was here on the wall of the final and irrevocable oblivion through which he must someday pass.

- Faulkner, William

The man who removes a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.

- Faulkner, William

Read, read, read. Read everything-- trash, classics, good and bad, and see how they do it. Just like a carpenter who works as an apprentice and studies the master. Read! You'll absorb it. Then write. If it is good, you'll find out. If it's not, throw it out the window.

- Faulkner, William

The writer's only responsibility is to his art. He will be completely ruthless if he is a good one. He has a dream. Everything goes by the board: honor, pride, decency, security, happiness, all, to get the book written. If a writer has to rob his mother, he will not

hesitate; the Ode on a Grecian Urn is worth any number of old ladies.

- Faulkner, William

The artist doesn't have time to listen to the critics. The ones who want to be writers read the reviews, the ones who want to write don't have the time to read reviews.

- Faulkner, William

I am more important than my problems.

- Ferrer, Jose

A man, when he wishes, is the master of his fate.

- Ferrer, Jose

It took me a long time not to judge myself through someone else's eyes.

- Field, Sally

You get the best out of others when you get the best out of yourself.

- Firestone, Harvey S.

It is only as we develop others that we permanently succeed.

- Firestone, Harvey S.

Success is the sum of details.

- Firestone, Harvey S.

A man with a surplus can control circumstances, but a man without a surplus is controlled by them, and often has no opportunity to exercise judgment.

- Firestone, Harvey S.

Either you think -- or else others have to think for you and take power from you, pervert and discipline your natural tastes, civilize and sterilize you.

- Fitzgerald, F. Scott

I don't want to live -- I want to love first, and live incidentally.

- Fitzgerald, Zelda

Oh, the secret life of man and woman --dreaming how much better we would be than we are if we were somebody else or even ourselves, and feeling that our estate has been unexploited to its fullest.

- Fitzgerald, Zelda

To live is to suffer, to survive is to find some meaning in the suffering.

- Flack, Roberta

The most glorious moments in your life are not the so-called days of success, but rather those days when out of dejection and despair you feel rise in you a challenge to life, and

the promise of future accomplishments.

- Flaubert, Gustave

In whatever position you find yourself determine first your objective.

- Foch, Ferdinand

The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire.

- Foch, Ferdinand

Of all the passions of mankind, the love of novelty most rules the mind. In search of this, from realm to realm we roam. Our fleets come loaded with every folly home.

- Foote, Shelby

Failure is success if we learn from it.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

When you cease to dream you cease to live.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

The biggest mistake people make in life is not trying to make a living at doing what they most enjoy.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

What's an expert? I read somewhere, that the more a man knows, the more he knows, he doesn't know. So I suppose one definition of an expert would be someone who doesn't admit out loud that he knows enough about a subject to know he doesn't really know how much.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

When what we are is what we want to be, that's happiness.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

By the time we've made it, we've had it.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

People who matter are most aware that everyone else does, too.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Ability will never catch up with the demand for it.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

It's so much easier to suggest solutions when you don't know too much about the problem.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Too many people overvalue what they are not and undervalue what they are.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Everybody has to be somebody to somebody to be anybody.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Success follows doing what you want to do. There is no other way to be successful.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Thinking well to be wise: planning well, wiser: doing well wisest and best of all.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Victory is sweetest when you've known defeat.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

The best vision is insight.

- Forbes, Malcolm S.

Some self-confronting questions: Where do I want to be at any given time? How am I going to get there? What do I have to do to get myself from where I am to where I want to be?... What's the first, small step I can take to get moving?

- Ford, George A.

The object of living is work, experience, and happiness. There is joy in work. All that

money can do is buy us someone else's work in exchange for our own. There is no happiness except in the realization that we have accomplished something.

- Ford, Henry

Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is the probable reason so few engage in it.

- Ford, Henry

It has been my observation that most people get ahead during the time that others waste.

- Ford, Henry

A bore is a person who opens his mouth and puts his feats in it.

- Ford, Henry

He can who thinks he can, and he can't who thinks he can't. This is an inexorable, indisputable law.

- Ford, Henry

Chop your own wood, and it will warm you twice.

- Ford, Henry

Enthusiasm is the yeast that makes your hopes shine to the stars. Enthusiasm is the sparkle in your eyes, the swing in your gait. The grip of your hand, the irresistible surge of will and energy to execute your ideas.

- Ford, Henry

The best we can do is size up the chances, calculate the risks involved, estimate our ability to deal with them, and then make our plans with confidence.

- Ford, Henry

Failure is only the opportunity to begin again more intelligently.

- Ford, Henry

Don't find fault, find a remedy.

- Ford, Henry

One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his great surprises, is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do.

- Ford, Henry

My best friend is the one who brings out the best in me.

- Ford, Henry

The man who will use his skill and constructive imagination to see how much he can give for a dollar, instead of how little he can give for a dollar, is bound to succeed.

- Ford, Henry

I believe God is managing affairs and that He doesn't need any advice from me. With God in charge, I believe everything will work out for the best in the end. So what is there to worry about.

- Ford, Henry

Time and money spent in helping men to do more for themselves is far better than mere giving.

- Ford, Henry

Anyone who stops learning is old, whether at twenty or eighty. Anyone who keeps learning stays young. The greatest thing in life is to keep your mind young.

- Ford, Henry

Whether you think you can or whether you think you can't, you're right!

- Ford, Henry

Even a mistake may turn out to be the one thing necessary to a worthwhile achievement.

- Ford, Henry

The highest use of capital is not to make more money, but to make money do to more for the betterment of life.

- Ford, Henry

I am looking for a lot of men who have an infinite capacity to not know what can't be done.

- Ford, Henry

I cannot discover that anyone knows enough to say definitely what is and what is not possible.

- Ford, Henry

There is no man living who isn't capable of doing more than he thinks he can do.

- Ford, Henry

Most people spend more time and energy going around problems than in trying to solve them.

- Ford, Henry

When I can't handle events, I let them handle themselves.

- Ford, Henry

Many people think that by hoarding money they are gaining safety for themselves. if money is your ONLY hope for independence, you will never have it. The only real security that a person can have in this world is a reserve of knowledge, experience, and ability. Without these qualities, money is practically useless.

- Ford, Henry

A business absolutely devoted to service will have only one worry about profits. They will be embarrassingly large.

- Ford, Henry

Nothing is particularly hard if you divide it into small jobs.

- Ford, Henry

It makes no difference how deeply seated may be the trouble, how hopeless the outlook, how muddled the tangle, how great the mistake. A sufficient realization of love will dissolve it all.

- Fox, Emmet

If you could only love enough, you could be the most powerful person in the world.

- Fox, Emmet

Determination that just won't quit -- that's what it takes.

- Foyt, A. J.

You get out in front -- you stay out in front.

- Foyt, A. J.

The only books that influence us are those for which we are ready, and which have gone a little farther down our particular path than we have yet got ourselves.

- Forster, Edward M.

Only connect! That was the whole of her sermon. Only connect the prose and the passion, and both will be exalted, and human love will be seen at its height. Live in fragments no longer. Only connect, and the beast and the monk, robbed of the isolation that is life to either, will die.

- Forster, Edward M.

Normal is not something to aspire to, it's something to get away from.

- Foster, Jodie

Start by doing what's necessary, then what's possible and suddenly you are doing the impossible.

- Francis of Assisi, St.

Above all the grace and the gifts that Christ gives to his beloved is that of overcoming self.

- Francis of Assisi, St.

Lord, grant that I might not so much seek to be loved as to love.

- Francis of Assisi, St.

Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where these is hatred, let me sow love.

- Francis of Assisi, St.

'Tis better to understand, than to be understood.

- Francis of Assisi, St.

Everyone has inside of him a piece of good news. The good news is that you don't know how great you can be! How much you can love! What you can accomplish! And what your potential is!

- Frank, Anne

The final forming of a person's character lies in their own hands.

- Frank, Anne

Laziness may appear attractive but work gives satisfaction.

- Frank, Anne

Creative minds have always been known to survive any kind of bad training.

- Freud, Anna

The doctor should be opaque to his patients and, like a mirror, should show them nothing but what is shown to him.

- Freud, Sigmund

One feels inclined to say that the intention that man should be happy is not included in the

plan of Creation.

- Freud, Sigmund

Being entirely honest with oneself is a good exercise.

- Freud, Sigmund

I have found little that is good about human beings on the whole. In my experience most of them are trash, no matter whether they publicly subscribe to this or that ethical doctrine or to none at all. That is something that you cannot say aloud, or perhaps even think.

- Freud, Sigmund

We are never so defenseless against suffering as when we love, never so forlornly unhappy as when we have lost our love object or its love.

- Freud, Sigmund

Love and work are the cornerstones of our humanness.

- Freud, Sigmund

The conscious mind may be compared to a fountain playing in the sun and falling back into the great subterranean pool of subconscious from which it rises.

- Freud, Sigmund

The mind is like an iceberg, it floats with one-seventh of its bulk above water.

- Freud, Sigmund

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

- Freud, Sigmund

Neurotics complain of their illness, but they make the most of it, and when it comes to talking it away from them they will defend it like a lioness her young.

- Freud, Sigmund

We have long observed that every neurosis has the result, and therefore probably the purpose, of forcing the patient out of real life, of alienating him from actuality.

- Freud, Sigmund

The time comes when each one of us has to give up as illusions the expectations which, in his youth, he pinned upon his fellow-men, and when he may learn how much difficulty and pain has been added to his life by their ill-will.

- Freud, Sigmund

The goal towards which the pleasure principle impels us -- of becoming happy -- is not attainable: yet we may not -- nay, cannot -- give up the efforts to come nearer to realization of it by some means or other.

- Freud, Sigmund

He that has eyes to see and ears to hear may convince himself that no mortal can keep a secret. If his lips are silent, he chatters with his fingertips; betrayal oozes out of him at every pore.

- Freud, Sigmund

Look into the depths of your own soul and learn first to know yourself, then you will understand why this illness was bound to come upon you and perhaps you will thenceforth avoid falling ill.

- Freud, Sigmund

A man who has been the indisputable favorite of his mother keeps for life the feeling of a conqueror.

- Freud, Sigmund

If a man has been his mother's undisputed darling he retains throughout life the triumphant feeling, the confidence in success, which not seldom brings actual success along with it.

- Freud, Sigmund

We are threatened with suffering from three directions: from our own body, which is doomed to decay and dissolution and which cannot even do without pain and anxiety as warning signals; from the external world, which may rage against us with overwhelming and merciless forces of destruction; and finally from our relations to other men. The

suffering which comes from this last source is perhaps more painful than any other.

- Freud, Sigmund

The great question that has never been answered, and which I have not yet been able to answer, despite my thirty years of research into the feminine soul, is What does a woman want?

- Freud, Sigmund

Children are completely egoistic; they feel their needs intensely and strive ruthlessly to satisfy them.

- Freud, Sigmund

The ego is not master in its own house.

- Freud, Sigmund

Conscience is the internal perception of the rejection of a particular wish operating within us.

- Freud, Sigmund

Man is the only animal for whom his own existence is a problem which he has to solve.

- Fromm, Erich

By alienation is meant a mode of experience in which the person experiences himself as

an alien. He has become, one might say, estranged from himself. He does not experience himself as the center of his world, as the creator of his own acts -- but his acts and their consequences have become his masters, whom he obeys, or whom he may even worship. The alienated person is out of touch with himself as he is out of touch with any other person. He, like the others, is experienced as things are experienced; with the senses and with common sense, but at the same time without being related to oneself and to the world outside positively.

- Fromm, Erich

Immature love says: I love you because I need you. Mature love says: I need you because I love you.

- Fromm, Erich

Love is the only sane and satisfactory answer to the problem of human existence.

- Fromm, Erich

What most people in our culture mean by being lovable is essentially a mixture between being popular and having sex appeal.

- Fromm, Erich

If I am what I have and if I lose what I have who then am I?

- Fromm, Erich

There is no meaning to life except the meaning man gives his life by unfolding of his

powers.

- Fromm, Erich

The pace of science forces the pace of technique. Theoretical physics forces atomic energy on us; the successful production of the fission bomb forces upon us the manufacture of the hydrogen bomb. We do not choose our problems, we do not choose our products; we are pushed, we are forced -- by what? By a system which has no purpose and goal transcending it, and which makes man its appendix.

- Fromm, Erich

The task we must set for ourselves is not to feel secure, but to be able to tolerate insecurity.

- Fromm, Erich

Man's main task in life is to give birth to himself, to become what he potentially is. The most important product of his effort is his own personality.

- Fromm, Erich

Not he who has much is rich, but he who gives much.

- Fromm, Erich

Modern man thinks he loses something - time - when he does not do things quickly. Yet he does not know what to do with the time he gains -- except kill it.

- Fromm, Erich

The quest for certainty blocks the search for meaning. Uncertainty is the very condition to impel man to unfold his powers.

- Fromm, Erich

Creativity requires the courage to let go of certainties.

- Fromm, Erich

Most people die before they are fully born. Creativeness means to be born before one dies.

- Fromm, Erich

To die is poignantly bitter, but the idea of having to die without having lived is unbearable.

- Fromm, Erich

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

To me, the irony of this involvement with size, as I observed earlier, is the unwillingness or inability of so many Americans to identify themselves with something as vast as the United States. Bigger cars, bigger parking lots, bigger corporate structures, bigger farms, bigger drug stores, bigger supermarkets, bigger motion-picture screens. The tangible and the functional expand, while the intangible and the beautiful shrink. Left to wither is the national purpose, national educational needs, literature and theater, and our critical faculties. The national dialogue is gradually being lost in a froth of misleading self-congratulation and cliche. National needs and interests are slowly being submerged by the national preoccupation with the irrelevant.

- Fulbright, J. William

What a curious picture it is to find man, homo sapiens, of divine origin, we are told, seriously considering going underground to escape the consequences of his own folly. With a little wisdom and foresight, surely it is not yet necessary to forsake life in the fresh air and in the warmth of the sunlight. What a paradox if our own cleverness in science should force us to live underground with the moles.

- Fulbright, J. William

Ninety-nine percent of who you are is invisible and untouchable.

- Fuller, Buckminster

Most of my advances were by mistake. You uncover what is when you get rid of what isn't.

- Fuller, Buckminster

Our power is in our ability to decide.

- Fuller, Buckminster

Controlled time is our true wealth.

- Fuller, Buckminster

What usually happens in the educational process is that the faculties are dulled, overloaded, stuffed and paralyzed so that by the time most people are mature they have lost their innate capabilities.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

Thou mayest as well expect to grow stronger by always eating as wiser by always reading. Too much overcharges Nature, and turns more into disease than nourishment. 'Tis thought and digestion which makes books serviceable, and give health and vigor to the mind.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

Search others for their virtue, and yourself for your vices.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

Don't fight forces, use them.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

When I'm working on a problem, I never think about beauty. I think only how to solve the problem. But when I have finished, if the solution is not beautiful, I know it is wrong.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

People should think things out fresh and not just accept conventional terms and the conventional way of doing things.

- Fuller, R. Buckminster

The only reason they come to see me is that I know that life is great -- and they know I know it.

- Gable, Clark

The things a man has to have are hope and confidence in himself against odds, and sometimes he needs somebody, his pal or his mother or his wife or God, to give him that confidence. He's got to have some inner standards worth fighting for or there won't be any way to bring him into conflict. And he must be ready to choose death before dishonor without making too much song and dance about it. That's all there is to it.

- Gable, Clark

Some people go through life trying to find out what the world holds for them only to find out too late that it's what they bring to the world that really counts. OR It's not what the world holds for you it's what you bring to it

- Gables, Anne Of Green

You cannot teach a man anything; you can only help him find it within himself.

- Galilei, Galileo

If I'm such a legend, then why am I so lonely? Let me tell you, legends are all very well if you've got somebody around who loves you.

- Garland, Judy

Poverty is uncomfortable; but 9 times out of 10 the best thing that can happen to a young man is to be tossed overboard and be compelled to sink or swim.

- Garfield, James A.

You do not merely want to be considered just the best of the best. You want to be considered the only ones who do what you do.

- Garcia, Jerry

Constantly choosing the lesser of two evils is still choosing evil.

- Garcia, Jerry

The enemy of the conventional wisdom is not ideas but the march of events.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

More die in the United States from too much food than from too little.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

All of the great leaders have had one characteristic in common: it was the willingness to confront unequivocally the major anxiety of their people in their time. This, and not much else, is the essence of leadership.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

There is something wonderful in seeing a wrong-headed majority assailed by truth.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Meetings are indispensable when you don't want to do anything.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Meetings are a great trap. Soon you find yourself trying to get agreement and then the people who disagree come to think they have a right to be persuaded. However, they are indispensable when you don't want to do anything.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Money is a singular thing. It ranks with love as man's greatest source of joy. And with death as his greatest source of anxiety. Over all history it has oppressed nearly all people in one of two ways: either it has been abundant and very unreliable, or reliable and very scarce.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

All successful revolutions are the kicking in of a rotten door. The violence of revolutions is the violence of men who charge into a vacuum.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

Of all classes the rich are the most noticed and the least studied.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

In all life one should comfort the afflicted, but verily, also, one should afflict the comfortable, and especially when they are comfortably, contentedly, even happily wrong.

- Galbraith, John Kenneth

My country is the world; my countrymen are mankind.

- Garrison, William Lloyd

If you have no confidence in self, you are twice defeated in the race of life. With confidence, you have won even before you have started.

- Garvey, Marcus

Life is hardly more than a fraction of a second. Such a little time to prepare oneself for eternity!

- Gauguin, Paul

The man who comes up with a means for doing or producing almost anything better, faster or more economically has his future and his fortune at his fingertips.

- Getty, J. Paul

The individual who wants to reach the top in business must appreciate the might of the force of habit and must understand that practices are what create habits. He must be quick to break those habits that can break him and hasten to adopt those practices that will become the habits that help him achieve the success he desires.

- Getty, J. Paul

To succeed in business, to reach the top, an individual must know all it is possible to know about that business.

- Getty, J. Paul

There are always opportunities through which businessmen can profit handsomely if they will only recognize and seize them.

- Getty, J. Paul

I buy when other people are selling.

- Getty, J. Paul

The winds and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators.

- Gibbon, Edward

We improve ourselves by victories over ourselves. There must be contest, and we must win.

- Gibbon, Edward

A heart to resolve, a head to contrive, and a hand to execute.

- Gibbon, Edward

One mustn't allow acting to be like stockbroker -- you must not take it just as a means of earning a living, to go down every day to do a job of work. The big thing is to combine punctuality, efficiency, good nature, obedience, intelligence, and concentration with an unawareness of what is going to happen next, thus keeping yourself available for excitement.

- Gielgud, John

In every election in American history both parties have their cliches. The party that has the cliches that ring true wins.

- Gingrich, Newt

If Thomas Edison invented electric light today, Dan Rather would report it on CBS News as, Candle making industry threatened.

- Gingrich, Newt

If you don't understand yourself you don't understand anybody else.

- Giovanni, Nikki

No man ever became great or good except through many and great mistakes.

- Gladstone, William E.

Men are apt to mistake the strength of their feeling for the strength of their argument. The heated mind resents the chill touch and relentless scrutiny of logic.

- Gladstone, William E.

Be happy with what you have and are, be generous with both, and you won't have to hunt for happiness.

- Gladstone, William E.

We enter parliament in order to supply ourselves, in the arsenal of democracy, with its own weapons. If democracy is so stupid as to give us free tickets and salaries for this bear's work, that is its affair. We do not come as friends, nor even as neutrals. We come as enemies. As the wolf bursts into the flock, so we come.

- Goebbels, Paul Joseph

Do not quench your inspiration and your imagination; do not become the slave of your model.

- Gogh, Vincent Van

If one is master of one thing and understands one thing well, one has at the same time, insight into and understanding of many things.

- Gogh, Vincent Van

The more I think about it, the more I realize there is nothing more artistic that to love others.

- Gogh, Vincent Van

The best way to know God is to love many things.

- Gogh, Vincent Van

Great things are not done by impulse, but by a series of small things brought together.

- Gogh, Vincent Van

From success you get a lot of things, but not that great inside thing that love brings you.

- Goldwyn, Samuel

To get it right, be born with luck or else make it. Never give up. Get the knack of getting people to help you and also pitch in yourself. A little money helps, but what really gets it right is to never -- I repeat -- never under any conditions face the facts.

- Gordon, Ruth

When work is a pleasure, life is joy.! When work is a duty, life is slavery.

- Gorky, Maxim

The woman's vision is deep reaching, the man's far reaching. With the man the world is his heart, with the woman the heart is her world.

- Grable, Betty

Laughter is the only tranquilizer with no side effects.

- Graffiti

Laughter translates into any language.

- Graffiti

America's founding fathers did not intend to take religion out of education. Many of the nation's greatest universities were founded by evangelists and religious leaders; but many of these have lost the founders concept and become secular institutions. Because of this attitude, secular education is stumbling and floundering.

- Graham, Billy

I've read the last page of the Bible. It's all going to turn out all right.

- Graham, Billy

Being a Christian is more than just an instantaneous conversion; it is like a daily process

whereby you grow to be more and more like Christ.

- Graham, Billy

Churchgoers are like coals in a fire. When they cling together, they keep the flame aglow; when they separate, they die out.

- Graham, Billy

To love what you do and feel that it matters -- how could anything be more fun?

- Graham, Katherine

To offer a man unsolicited advice is to presume that he doesn't know what to do or that he can't do it on his own.

- Gray, John

Generally speaking, when a woman offers unsolicited advice or tries to help a man, she has no idea of how critical and unloving she may sound to him.

- Gray, John

Men are motivated and empowered when they feel needed. Women are motivated and empowered when they feel cherished.

- Gray, John

Just as women are afraid of receiving, men are afraid of giving.

- Gray, John

A women under stress is not immediately concerned with finding solutions to her problems but rather seeks relief by expressing herself and being understood.

- Gray, John

When men and women are able to respect and accept their differences then love has a chance to blossom.

- Gray, John

There are three things to aim at in public speaking: First to get into your subject, then to get your subject into yourself, and lastly, to get your subject into your hearers.

- Gregg

It is true that when we take chances, we stand to lose. But it is also true that we will never win anything if we never even enter the game. Lucky people are aware of the possibility of losing, and indeed they may lose often. But since the chances they take are small, the losses tend to be small. By being willing to accept small losses, they put themselves in position to make large gains.

- Gunther, Max

Only the words of love kept alive are worthy of not being wasted

- Guthrie, Arlo

Talent is an amalgam of high sensitivity; easy vulnerability; high sensory equipment (seeing, hearing, touching, smelling, tasting -- intensely); a vivid imagination as well as a grip on reality; the desire to communicate one's own experience and sensations, to make one's self heard and seen.

- Hagen, Uta

I am only one,But still I am one. I cannot do everything,But still I can do something;And because I cannot do everythingI will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

- Hale, Edward Everett

Every theory of love, from Plato down teaches that each individual loves in the other sex what he lacks in himself.

- Hall, G. Stanely

Men give me credit for some genius. All the genius I have is this. When I have a subject in mind. I study it profoundly. Day and night it is before me. My mind becomes pervaded with it... the effort which I have made is what people are pleased to call the fruit of genius. It is the fruit of labor and thought.

- Hamilton, Alexander

We must make the best of those ills which cannot be avoided.

- Hamilton, Alexander

I never expect to see a perfect work from imperfect man.

- Hamilton, Alexander

We are not permitted to choose the frame of our destiny. But what we put into it is ours.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

Never look down to test the ground before taking your next step; only those who keep their eye fixed on the far horizon will find their right road.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

Never measure the height of a mountain, until you have reached the top. Then you will see how low it was.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

When the morning's freshness has been replaced by the weariness of midday, when the leg muscles give under the strain, the climb seems endless, and suddenly nothing will go quite as you wish-it is then that you must not hesitate.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

The longest journey is the journey inwards. Of him who has chosen his destiny, Who has started upon his quest for the source of his being.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

Pray that your loneliness may spur you into finding something to live for, great enough to die for.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

In our era, the road to holiness necessarily passes through the world of action.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

Life only demands from you the strength that you possess. Only one feat is possible; not to run away.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

We will either find a way, or make one.

- Hannibal

We have no commission from God to police the world.

- Harrison, Benjamin

The Beatles exist apart from my Self. I am not really Beatle George. Beatle George is like a suit or shirt that I once wore on occasion and until the end of my life people may see that shirt and mistake it for me.

- Harrison, George

Life flows on within you and without you.

- Harrison, George

Like what you do, if you don't like it, do something else.

- Harvey, Paul

In times like these, it helps to recall that there have always been times like these.

- Harvey, Paul

I've never seen a monument erected for a pessimist.

- Harvey, Paul

The virtue of angels is that they cannot deteriorate; their flaw is that they cannot improve. Humanity's flaw is that we can deteriorate; but our virtue is that we can improve.

- Hasidic Saying

Anyone who takes himself too seriously always runs the risk of looking ridiculous; anyone who can consistently laugh at himself does not.

- Havel, Vaclav

A human action becomes genuinely important when it springs from the soil of a clear-sighted awareness of the temporality and the ephemerally of everything human. It is only this awareness that can breathe any greatness into an action.

- Havel, Vaclav

Our Creator would never have made such lovely days, and have given us the deep hearts to enjoy them, above and beyond all thought, unless we were meant to be immortal.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

We sometimes congratulate ourselves at the moment of waking from a troubled dream; it may be so the moment after death.

- Hawthorne, Nathaniel

Notice the difference between what happens when a man says to himself, I have failed three times, and what happens when he says, I am a failure.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

It is not true that we have only one life to live; if we can read, we can live as many more lives and as many kinds of lives as we wish.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

It is the individual who knows how little they know about themselves who stands the most reasonable chance of finding out something about themselves before they die.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

If everybody is rewarded just for being alive, you get the same sort of effect as you do

when you reward every student just for being enrolled. You destroy not only education, you destroy society by giving A's to everyone. This is a philosophical consideration that bothers me very much as I sit in the United States Senate and see the great budget allocations going through.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

In a real sense, people who have read good literature have lived more than people who cannot or will not read. It is not true that we have only one life to live; if we can read, we can live as many more lives and as many kinds of lives as we wish.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

If you see in any given situation only what everybody else can see, you can be said to be so much a representative of your culture that you are a victim of it.

- Hayakawa, S. I.

My mother drew a distinction between achievement and success. She said that achievement is the knowledge that you have studied and worked hard and done the best that is in you. Success is being praised by others. That is nice but not as important or satisfying. Always aim for achievement and forget about success.

- Hayes, Helen

If you rest, you rust.

- Hayes, Helen

Movies are one of the bad habits that corrupted our century. Of their many sins, I offer as the worst their effect on the intellectual side of the nation. It is chiefly from that viewpoint I write of them -- as an eruption of trash that has lamed the American mind and retarded Americans from becoming a cultured people.

- Hecht, Ben

The only thing we learn from history is that we learn nothing from history.

- Hegel, Friedrich

one can never consent to creep when one feels an impluse to soar

- helen keller

In moderating, not satisfying desires, lies peace.

- Hecht, Ben

Trying to determine what is going on in the world by reading newspapers is like trying to tell the time by watching the second hand of a clock.

- Hecht, Ben

If you load responsibility on a man unworthy of it he will always betray himself.

- Heckscher, August

We may affirm absolutely that nothing great in the world has ever been accomplished

without passion.

- Hegel, Georg

Public opinion contains all kinds of falsity and truth, but it takes a great man to find the truth in it. The great man of the age is the one who can put into words the will of his age, tell his age what its will is, and accomplish it. What he does is the heart and the essence of his age, he actualizes his age. The man who lacks sense enough to despise public opinion expressed in gossip will never do anything great.

- Hegel, Georg

Prosperity is a great teacher; adversity is a greater. Possession pampers the mind; privation trains and strengthens it.

- Hazlitt, William

A strong passion for any object will ensure success, for the desire of the end will point out the means.

- Hazlitt, William

Anyone who has passed through the regular gradations of a classical education, and is not made a fool by it, may consider himself as having had a very narrow escape.

- Hazlitt, William

The best part of our lives we pass in counting on what is to come.

- Hazlitt, William

It is well that there is no one without a fault; for he would not have a friend in the world.

- Hazlitt, William

There are persons who cannot make friends. Who are they? Those who cannot be friends. It is not the want of understanding or good nature, of entertaining or useful qualities, that you complain of: on the contrary, they have probably many points of attraction; but they have one that neutralizes all these --they care nothing about you, and are neither the better nor worse for what you think of them. They manifest no joy at your approach; and when you leave them, it is with a feeling that they can do just as well without you. This is not sullenness, nor indifference, nor absence of mind; but they are intent solely on their own thoughts, and you are merely one of the subjects they exercise them upon. They live in society as in a solitude.

- Hazlitt, William

No man is truly great who is great only in his lifetime. The test of greatness is the page of history.

- Hazlitt, William

We can scarcely hate anyone that we know.

- Hazlitt, William

There are many who talk on from ignorance rather than from knowledge, and who find the former an inexhaustible fund of conversation.

- Hazlitt, William

Man is a make-believe animal -- he is never so truly himself as when he is acting a part.

- Hazlitt, William

Man is the only animal that laughs and weeps; for he is the only animal that is struck with the difference between what things are and what they might of been.

- Hazlitt, William

Those who can command themselves command others.

- Hazlitt, William

First impressions are often the truest, as we find (not infrequently) to our cost, when we have been wheedled out of them by plausible professions or studied actions. A man's look is the work of years; it is stamped on his countenance by the events of his whole life, nay, more, by the hand of nature, and it is not to be got rid of easily.

- Hazlitt, William

Every man, in his own opinion, forms an exception to the ordinary rules of morality.

- Hazlitt, William

Nothing is more unjust or capricious than public opinion.

- Hazlitt, William

The smallest pain in our little finger gives us more concern than the destruction of millions of our fellow beings.

- Hazlitt, William

No one ever approaches perfection except by stealth, and unknown to themselves.

- Hazlitt, William

We never do anything well till we cease to think about the manner of doing it.

- Hazlitt, William

The art of pleasing consists in being pleased.

- Hazlitt, William

They are, as it were, train-bearers in the pageant of life, and hold a glass up to humanity, frailer than itself. We see ourselves at second-hand in them: they show us all that we are, all that we wish to be, and all that we dread to be. What brings the resemblance nearer is, that, as they imitate us, we, in our turn, imitate them. There is no class of society whom so many persons regard with affection as actors.

- Hazlitt, William

The most learned are often the most narrow minded.

- Hazlitt, William

There is no prejudice so strong as that which arises from a fancied exemption from all prejudice.

- Hazlitt, William

There is not a more mean, stupid, dastardly, pitiless, selfish, spiteful, envious, ungrateful animal than the Public. It is the greatest of cowards, for it is afraid of itself.

- Hazlitt, William

Few things tend more to alienate friendship than a want of punctuality in our engagements. I have known the breach of a promise to dine or sup to break up more than one intimacy.

- Hazlitt, William

We grow tired of everything but turning others into ridicule, and congratulating ourselves on their defects.

- Hazlitt, William

A scholar is like a book written in a dead language. It is not every one that can read in it.

- Hazlitt, William

I hate to be near the sea, and to hear it roaring and raging like a wild beast in its den. It puts me in mind of the everlasting efforts of the human mind, struggling to be free, and

ending just where it began.

- Hazlitt, William

We can bear to be deprived of everything but our self-conceit.

- Hazlitt, William

We talk little when we do not talk about ourselves.

- Hazlitt, William

The more we do, the more we can do; the more busy we are, the more leisure we have.

- Hazlitt, William

You know more of a road by having traveled it than by all the conjectures and descriptions in the world.

- Hazlitt, William

If I have not read a book before, it is, for all intents and purposes, new to me whether it was printed yesterday or three hundred years ago.

- Hazlitt, William

The most sensible people to be met with in society are men of business and of the world, who argue from what they see and know, instead of spinning cobweb distinctions of what things ought to be.

- Hazlitt, William

We are the creatures of imagination, passion, and self-will, more than of reason or even of self-interest. Even in the common transactions and daily intercourse of life, we are governed by whim, caprice, prejudice, or accident. The falling of a teacup puts us out of temper for the day; and a quarrel that commenced about the pattern of a gown may end only with our lives.

- Hazlitt, William

Mankind are an incorrigible race. Give them but bugbears and idols -- it is all that they ask; the distinctions of right and wrong, of truth and falsehood, of good and evil, are worse than indifferent to them.

- Hazlitt, William

We find many things to which the prohibition of them constitutes the only temptation.

- Hazlitt, William

Taste is nothing but an enlarged capacity for receiving pleasure from works of imagination.

- Hazlitt, William

Good temper is one of the greatest preservers of the features.

- Hazlitt, William

Great thoughts reduced to practice become great acts.

- Hazlitt, William

I would like to spend my whole life traveling, if I could borrow another life to spend at home.

- Hazlitt, William

There is a secret pride in every human heart that revolts at tyranny. You may order and drive an individual, but you cannot make him respect you.

- Hazlitt, William

The thing is plain. All that men really understand, is confined to a very small compass; to their daily affairs and experience; to what they have an opportunity to know, and motives to study or practice. The rest is affectation and imposture.

- Hazlitt, William

The least pain in our little finger gives us more concern and uneasiness than the destruction of millions of our fellow-beings.

- Hazlitt, William

To a superior race of being the pretensions of mankind to extraordinary sanctity and virtue must seem... ridiculous.

- Hazlitt, William

People of genius do not excel in any profession because they work in it, they work in it because they excel.

- Hazlitt, William

The world judge of men by their ability in their profession, and we judge of ourselves by the same test: for it is on that on which our success in life depends.

- Hazlitt, William

Those who are at war with others are not at peace with themselves.

- Hazlitt, William

The confession of our failings is a thankless office. It savors less of sincerity or modesty than of ostentation. It seems as if we thought our weaknesses as good as other people's virtues.

- Hazlitt, William

As is our confidence, so is our capacity.

- Hazlitt, William

When a thing ceases to be a subject of controversy, it ceases to be a subject of interest.

- Hazlitt, William

We are all of us, more or less, the slaves of opinion.

- Hazlitt, William

Gallantry to women -- the sure road to their favor -- is nothing but the appearance of extreme devotion to all their wants and wishes, a delight in their satisfaction, and a confidence in yourself as being able to contribute toward it.

- Hazlitt, William

We are very much what others think of us. The reception our observations meet with gives us courage to proceed, or damps our efforts.

- Hazlitt, William

Death cancels everything but truth; and strips a man of everything but genius and virtue. It is a sort of natural canonization. It makes the meanest of us sacred --it installs the poet in his immortality, and lifts him to the skies. Death is the greatest assayer of the sterling ore of talent. At his touch the dropsy particles fall off, the irritable, the personal, the gross, and mingle with the dust --the finer and more ethereal part mounts with winged spirit to watch over our latest memory, and protect our bones from insult. We consign the least worthy qualities to oblivion, and cherish the nobler and imperishable nature with double pride and fondness.

- Hazlitt, William

I cannot and will not cut my conscience to fit this year's fashions.

- Hellman, Lillian

Nobody knows what you want except you. And nobody will be as sorry as you if you don't get it. Wanting some other way to live is proof enough of deserving it. Having it is hard work, but not having it is sheer hell.

- Hellman, Lillian

The world breaks everyone and afterward many are stronger at the broken places.

- Hemingway, Ernest

It's enough for you to do it once for a few men to remember you. But if you do it year after year, then many people remember you and they tell it to their children, and their children and grandchildren remember and, if it concerns books, they can read them. And if it's good enough, it will last as long as there are human beings.

- Hemingway, Ernest

In going where you have to go, and doing what you have to do, and seeing what you have to see, you dull and blunt the instrument you write with. But I would rather have it bent and dulled and know I had to put it on the grindstone again and hammer it into shape and put a whetstone to it, and know that I had something to write about, than to have it bright and shining and nothing to say, or smooth and well oiled in the closet, but unused.

- Hemingway, Ernest

There are some things which cannot be learned quickly, and time, which is all we have,

must be paid heavily for their acquiring. They are the very simplest things and because it takes a man's life to know them the little new that each man gets from life is very costly and the only heritage he has to leave.

- Hemingway, Ernest

Every man's life ends the same way. It is only the details of how he lived and how he died that distinguish one man from another.

- Hemingway, Ernest

I like to listen. I have learned a great deal from listening carefully. Most people never listen.

- Hemingway, Ernest

You know lots of criticism is written by characters who are very academic and think it is a sign you are worthless if you make jokes or kid or even clown. I wouldn't kid Our Lord if he was on the cross. But I would attempt a joke with him if I ran into him chasing the money changers out of the temple.

- Hemingway, Ernest

How simple the writing of literature would be if it were only necessary to write in another way what has been well written. It is because we have had such great writers in the past that a writer is driven far out past where he can go, out to where no one can help him.

- Hemingway, Ernest

All modern American literature comes from one book by Mark Twain called Huckleberry Finn. American writing comes from that. There was nothing before. There has been nothing as good since.

- Hemingway, Ernest

The hardest thing to do is to write straight honest prose on human beings. First you have to know the subject; then you have to know how to write. Both take a lifetime to learn, and anybody is cheating who takes politics as a way out. All the outs are too easy, and the thing itself is too hard to do.

- Hemingway, Ernest

The only thing that could spoil a day was people. People were always the limiters of happiness except for the very few that were as good as spring itself.

- Hemingway, Ernest

My aim is to put down on paper what I see and what I feel in the best and simplest way.

- Hemingway, Ernest

Hesitation increases in relation to risk in equal proportion to age.

- Hemingway, Ernest

We are all apprentices in a craft where no one ever becomes a master.

- Hemingway, Ernest

If you are lucky enough to have lived in Paris as a young man, then wherever you go for the rest of your life, it stays with you, for Paris is a movable feast.

- Hemingway, Ernest

Never mistake motion for action.

- Hemingway, Ernest

Life is to be lived. If you have to support yourself, you had bloody well better find some way that is going to be interesting. And you don't do that by sitting around.

- Hepburn, Katharine

If you obey all the rules, you miss all the fun.

- Hepburn, Katharine

As for me, prizes are nothing. My prize is my work.

- Hepburn, Katharine

Without discipline, there is no life at all.

- Hepburn, Katharine

Man's character is his fate.

- Heraclitus

Great deeds are usually wrought at great risks.

- Herodotus

The destiny of man is in his own soul

- Herodotus

All men's gains are the fruit of venturing.

- Herodotus

Some men give up their designs when they have almost reached the goal; While others, on the contrary, obtain a victory by exerting, at the last moment, more vigorous efforts than ever before.

- Herodotus

It is not the mountain we conquer, but ourselves.

- Hillary, Sir Edmund

You don't have to be a fantastic hero to do certain things -- to compete. You can be just an ordinary chap, sufficiently motivated to reach challenging goals.

- Hillary, Sir Edmund

Enthusiasm is a vital element toward the individual success of every man or woman.

- Hilton, Conrad

Success... seems to be connected with action. Successful men keep moving. They make mistakes, but they don't quit.

- Hilton, Conrad

There is no substitute for virtue. Keep your thoughts virtuous. Rise above the filth that's all around you in this world and stand tall in strength and virtue. You can do this and you will be happier for it for as long as you live. God bless you in cherishing, developing and holding on to this great gift, the quality of personal virtue.

- Hinckley, Gordon B.

Nobility doesn't lie in surpassing the other man, but in surpassing the previous self.

- Hindu Proverb

Greatness does not approach him who is forever looking down.

- Hitopadesa

Subdue fate by exerting human strength to the maximum; and if, when the effort has been made and success is not achieved, no one else can be blamed.

- Hitopadesa

Youth, abundant wealth, high birth, and inexperience, are, each of them a source of ruin.

What then must be the fate of those in whom all four are combined.

- Hitopadesa

As you walk down the fairway of life you must smell the roses, for you only get to play one round.

- Hogan, Ben

He that is taken and put into prison or chains is not conquered, though overcome; for he is still an enemy.

- Hobbes, Thomas

Science is the knowledge of consequences, and dependence of one fact upon another.

- Hobbes, Thomas

There is no such thing as perpetual tranquillity of mind while we live here; because life itself is but motion, and can never be without desire, nor without fear, no more than without sense.

- Hobbes, Thomas

Such is the nature of men, that howsoever they may acknowledge many others to be more witty, or more eloquent, or more learned; yet they will hardly believe there be many so wise as themselves.

- Hobbes, Thomas

The greatest weariness comes from work not done.

- Hoffer, Eric

Man staggers through life yapped at by his reason, pulled and shoved by his appetites, whispered to by fears, beckoned by hopes. Small wonder that what he craves most is self-forgetting.

- Hoffer, Eric

They who lack talent expect things to happen without effort. They ascribe failure to a lack of inspiration or ability, or to misfortune, rather than to insufficient application. At the core of every true talent there is an awareness of the difficulties inherent in any achievement, and the confidence that by persistence and patience something worthwhile will be realized. Thus talent is a species of vigor.

- Hoffer, Eric

The pleasure we derive from doing favors is partly in the feeling it gives us that we are not altogether worthless. It is a pleasant surprise to ourselves.

- Hoffer, Eric

Man is the only creature that strives to surpass himself, and yearns for the impossible.

- Hoffer, Eric

Wise living consists perhaps less in acquiring good habits than in acquiring as few habits as possible.

- Hoffer, Eric

The search for happiness is one of the chief sources of unhappiness.

- Hoffer, Eric

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

- Hoffer, Eric

The game of history is usually played by the best and the worst over the heads of the majority in the middle.

- Hoffer, Eric

It would be difficult to exaggerate the degree to which we are influenced by those we influence.

- Hoffer, Eric

We find it hard to apply the knowledge of ourselves to our judgment of others. The fact that we are never of one kind, that we never love without reservations and never hate with all our being cannot prevent us from seeing others as wholly black or white.

- Hoffer, Eric

We lie loudest when we lie to ourselves.

- Hoffer, Eric

It is remarkable by how much a pinch of malice enhances the penetrating power of an idea or an opinion. Our ears, it seems, are wonderfully attuned to sneers and evil reports about our fellow men.

- Hoffer, Eric

It is the stretched soul that makes music, and souls are stretched by the pull of opposites --opposite bents, tastes, yearnings, loyalties. Where there is no polarity --where energies flow smoothly in one direction --there will be much doing but no music.

- Hoffer, Eric

The necessary has never been man's top priority. The passionate pursuit of the nonessential and the extravagant is one of the chief traits of human uniqueness. Unlike other forms of life, man's greatest exertions are made in the pursuit not of necessities but of superfluities.

- Hoffer, Eric

It sometimes seems that intense desire creates not only its own opportunities, but its own talents.

- Hoffer, Eric

There is in most passions a shrinking away from ourselves. The passionate pursuer has

all the earmarks of a fugitive.

- Hoffer, Eric

The real persuaders are our appetites, our fears and above all our vanity. The skillful propagandist stirs and coaches these internal persuaders.

- Hoffer, Eric

It is the child in man that is the source of his uniqueness and creativeness, and the playground is the optimal milieu for the unfolding of his capacities and talents.

- Hoffer, Eric

The remarkable thing is that it is the crowded life that is most easily remembered. A life full of turns, achievements, disappointments, surprises, and crises is a life full of landmarks. The empty life has even its few details blurred, and cannot be remembered with certainty.

- Hoffer, Eric

Propaganda does not deceive people; it merely helps them to deceive themselves.

- Hoffer, Eric

We need not only a purpose in life to give meaning to our existence but also something to give meaning to our suffering. We need as much something to suffer for as something to live for.

- Hoffer, Eric

To know a person's religion we need not listen to his profession of faith but must find his brand of intolerance.

- Hoffer, Eric

Every new adjustment is a crisis in self-esteem.

- Hoffer, Eric

The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our blessings.

- Hoffer, Eric

No matter what our achievements might be, we think well of ourselves only in rare moments. We need people to bear witness against our inner judge, who keeps book on our shortcomings and transgressions. We need people to convince us that we are not as bad as we think we are.

- Hoffer, Eric

Many of the insights of the saint stem from their experience as sinners.

- Hoffer, Eric

Man is eminently a storyteller. His search for a purpose, a cause, an ideal, a mission and the like is largely a search for a plot and a pattern in the development of his life story -- a story that is basically without meaning or pattern.

- Hoffer, Eric

An empty head is not really empty; it is stuffed with rubbish. Hence the difficulty of forcing anything into an empty head.

- Hoffer, Eric

We are least open to precise knowledge concerning the things we are most vehement about.

- Hoffer, Eric

When we believe ourselves in possession of the only truth, we are likely to be indifferent to common everyday truths.

- Hoffer, Eric

When people are bored it is primarily with themselves.

- Hoffer, Eric

To become different from what we are, we must have some awareness of what we are.

- Hoffer, Eric

There are no chaste minds. Minds copulate wherever they meet.

- Hoffer, Eric

We never say so much as when we do not quite know what we want to say. We need few words when we have something to say, but all the words in all the dictionaries will not suffice when we have nothing to say and want desperately to say it.

- Hoffer, Eric

Perhaps a modern society can remain stable only by eliminating adolescence, by giving its young, from the age of ten, the skills, responsibilities, and rewards of grownups, and opportunities for action in all spheres of life. Adolescence should be a time of useful action, while book learning and scholarship should be a preoccupation of adults.

- Hoffer, Eric

Our credulity is greatest concerning the things we know least about. And since we know least about ourselves, we are ready to believe all that is said about us. Hence the mysterious power of both flattery and calumny.

- Hoffer, Eric

How frighteningly few are the persons whose death would spoil our appetite and make the world seem empty.

- Hoffer, Eric

We can remember minutely and precisely only the things which never really happened to us.

- Hoffer, Eric

Life is action and passion; therefore, it is required of a man that he should share the passion and action of the time, at peril of being judged not to have lived.

- Holmes Jr., Oliver Wendell

For I say unto you in all sadness of conviction that to think great thoughts you must be heroes as well as idealists. Only when you have worked alone -- when you have felt around you are a black gulf of solitude more isolating than that which surrounds the dying man, and in hope and despair have trusted to your own unshaken will -- then only can you gain the secret isolated joy of the thinker, who knows that a hundred years after he is dead and forgotten men who have never heard of him will be moving to the measure of his thought -- the subtle rapture of postponed power, which the world knows not because it has no external trappings, but which to his prophetic vision is more real than that which commands an army. And if this joy should not be yours, still it is only thus you can know that you have done what lay in you to do -- can say that you have lived, and be ready for the end.

- Holmes Jr., Oliver Wendell

The riders in a race do not stop when they reach the goal. There is a little finishing canter before coming to a standstill. There is time to hear the kind voices of friends and say to oneself, The work is done.

- Holmes Jr., Oliver Wendell

The advice of the elders to young men is very apt to be as unreal as a list of the hundred best books.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

But curb thou the high spirit in thy breast, for gentle ways are best, and keep aloof from sharp contentions.

- Homer

The persuasion of a friend is a strong thing.

- Homer

Persuasive speech, and more persuasive sighs, Silence that spoke and eloquence of eyes.

- Homer

When we recall the past, we usually find that it is the simplest things -- not the great occasions -- that in retrospect give off the greatest glow of happiness.

- Hope, Bob

Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents, which in prosperous circumstances would have lain dormant.

- Horace

Whatever advice you give, be short.

- Horace

A good scare is worth more than good advice.

- Horace

If you would have me weep, you must first of all feel grief yourself.

- Horace

Who then is free? The one who wisely is lord of themselves, who neither poverty, death or captivity terrify, who is strong to resist his appetites and shun honors, and is complete in themselves smooth and round like a globe.

- Horace

Who then is free? The wise man who can govern himself.

- Horace

He gains everyone's approval who mixes the pleasant with the useful.

- Horace

Help a man against his will and you do the same as murder him.

- Horace

Begin, be bold and venture to be wise.

- Horace

You traverse the world in search of happiness, which is within the reach of every man. A contented mind confers it on all.

- Horace

A jest often decides matters of importance more effectual and happily than seriousness.

- Horace

Life gives nothing to man without labor.

- Horace

You must avoid sloth, that wicked siren.

- Horace

Anger is a brief lunacy.

- Horace

Anger is a momentary madness, so control your passion or it will control you.

- Horace

Subdue your passion or it will subdue you.

- Horace

He will always be a slave who does not know how to live upon a little.

- Horace

Usually the modest person passes for someone reserved, the silent for a sullen person

- Horace

You may drive out nature with a pitchfork, yet she'll be constantly running back.

- Horace

Your own safety is at stake when your neighbor's house is in flames.

- Horace

Why harass with eternal purposes a mind to weak to grasp them?

- Horace

One wanders to the left, another to the right. Both are equally in error, but, are seduced by different delusions.

- Horace

How does it happen, Maecenas, that no one is content with that lot of which he has chosen or which chance has thrown his way, but praises those who follow a different course?

- Horace

Seize the day.

- Horace

Tear thyself from delay.

- Horace

Be ever on your guard what you say of anybody and to whom.

- Horace

He who has begun has half done. Dare to be wise; begin.

- Horace

If a better system is thine, impart it; if not, make use of mine.

- Horace

When you introduce a moral lesson, let it be brief.

- Horace

If you wish me to weep, you must first show grief yourself.

- Horace

Make a good use of the present.

- Horace

It is of no consequence of what parents a man is born, as long as he be a man of merit.

- Horace

Wisdom is not wisdom when it is derived from books alone.

- Horace

You who write, choose a subject suited to your abilities and think long and hard on what your powers are equal to and what they are unable to perform.

- Horace

You must often make erasures if you mean to write what is worthy of being read a second time; and don't labor for the admiration of the crowd, but be content with a few choice readers.

- Horace

One gains universal applause who mingles the useful with the agreeable, at once delighting and instructing the reader.

- Horace

Youth is unduly busy with pampering the outer person.

- Horace

Of course we all have our limits, but how can you possibly find your boundaries unless you explore as far and as wide as you possibly can? I would rather fail in an attempt at something new and uncharted than safely succeed in a repeat of something I have done.

- Hotchner, A.E.

The way of the world is, to praise dead saints, and persecute living ones.

- Howe, Nathaniel

Life is partly what we make it, and partly what it is made by the friends we choose.

- Hsieh, Tehyi

He who opens a school door, closes a prison.

- Hugo, Victor

In this world, which is so plainly the antechamber of another, there are no happy men. The true division of humanity is between those who live in light and those who live in darkness. Our aim must be to diminish the number of the latter and increase the number of the former. That is why we demand education and knowledge.

- Hugo, Victor

It is the essence of truth that it is never excessive. Why should it exaggerate? There is that which should be destroyed and that which should be simply illuminated and studied. How great is the force of benevolent and searching examination! We must not resort to the flame where only light is required.

- Hugo, Victor

There is a sacred horror about everything grand. It is easy to admire mediocrity and hills; but whatever is too lofty, a genius as well as a mountain, an assembly as well as a masterpiece, seen too near, is appalling.

- Hugo, Victor

Life's greatest happiness is to be convinced we are loved.

- Hugo, Victor

One cannot be a good historian of the outward, visible world without giving some thought to the hidden, private life of ordinary people; and on the other hand one cannot be a good historian of this inner life without taking into account outward events where these are relevant. They are two orders of fact which reflect each other, which are always linked and which sometimes provoke each other.

- Hugo, Victor

There is one thing stronger than all the armies in the world, and that is an idea whose time has come.

- Hugo, Victor

A man is not idle because he is absorbed in thought. There is visible labor and there is invisible labor.

- Hugo, Victor

Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face.

- Hugo, Victor

Those who live are those who fight.

- Hugo, Victor

Life is a flower of which love is the honey.

- Hugo, Victor

Be as a bird perched on a frail branch that she feels bending beneath her, still she sings away all the same, knowing she has wings.

- Hugo, Victor

From the oyster to the eagle, from the swine to the tiger, all animals are to be found in men and each of them exists in some man, sometimes several at the time. Animals are nothing but the portrayal of our virtues and vices made manifest to our eyes, the visible reflections of our souls. God displays them to us to give us food for thought.

- Hugo, Victor

When a woman is speaking to you, listen to what she says with her eyes.

- Hugo, Victor

The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved; loved for ourselves, or rather in spite of ourselves.

- Hugo, Victor

The greatest blunders, like the thickest ropes, are often compounded of a multitude of strands. Take the rope apart, separate it into the small threads that compose it, and you can break them one by one. You think, That is all there was! But twist them all together and you have something tremendous.

- Hugo, Victor

Music expresses that which can not be said and on which it is impossible to be silent

- Hugo, Victor

In each age men of genius undertake the ascent. From below, the world follows them with their eyes. These men go up the mountain, enter the clouds, disappear, reappear, People watch them, mark them. They walk by the side of precipices. They daringly pursue their road. See them aloft, see them in the distance; they are but black specks. On they go. The road is uneven, its difficulties constant. At each step a wall, at each step a trap. As they rise the cold increases. They must make their ladder, cut the ice and walk on it., hewing the steps in haste. A storm is raging. Nevertheless they go forward in their madness. The air becomes difficult to breath. The abyss yawns below them. Some fall. Others stop and retrace their steps; there is a sad weariness. The bold ones continue. They are eyed by the eagles; the lightning plays about them: the hurricane is furious. No matter, they persevere.

- Hugo, Victor

He, who every morning plans the transactions of the day, and follows that plan, carries a thread that will guide him through a labyrinth of the most busy life.

- Hugo, Victor

Each man should frame life so that at some future hour fact and his dreaming meet.

- Hugo, Victor

Such is the remorseless progression of human society, shedding lives and souls as it goes on its way. It is an ocean into which men sink who have been cast out by the law and consigned, with help most cruelly withheld, to moral death. The sea is the pitiless social darkness into which the penal system casts those it has condemned, an unfathomable waste of misery. The human soul, lost in those depths, may become a corpse. Who shall revive it?

- Hugo, Victor

Let us have compassion for those under chastisement. Alas, who are we ourselves? Who am I and who are you? Whence do we come and is it quite certain that we did nothing before we were born? This earth is not without some resemblance to a gaol. Who knows but that man is a victim of divine justice? Look closely at life. It is so constituted that one senses punishment everywhere.

- Hugo, Victor

We are on the side of religion as opposed to religions, and we are among those who

believe in the wretched inadequacy of sermons and the sublimity of prayer.

- Hugo, Victor

The greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved, loved for ourselves, or rather loved in spite of ourselves.

- Hugo, Victor

Our acts make or mar us, we are the children of our own deeds.

- Hugo, Victor

Superstition, bigotry and prejudice, ghosts though they are, cling tenaciously to life; they are shades armed with tooth and claw. They must be grappled with unceasingly, for it is a fateful part of human destiny that it is condemned to wage perpetual war against ghosts. A shade is not easily taken by the throat and destroyed.

- Hugo, Victor

My tastes are aristocratic, my actions democratic.

- Hugo, Victor

Thought is the labor of the intellect, reverie is its pleasure.

- Hugo, Victor

Short as life is, we make it still shorter by the careless waste of time.

- Hugo, Victor

People do not lack strength; they lack will.

- Hugo, Victor

Common sense is in spite of, not as the result of education.

- Hugo, Victor

Have courage for the great sorrows of life, and patience for the small ones. When you have laboriously accomplished your daily tasks, go to sleep in peace. God is awake.

- Hugo, Victor

He does not weep who does not see.

- Hugo, Victor

Great perils have this beauty, that they bring to light the fraternity of strangers.

- Hugo, Victor

be as a bird perched on a frail branch

- Hugo, Victor

There are confessable agonies, sufferings of which one can positively be proud. Of

bereavement, of parting, of the sense of sin and the fear of death the poets have eloquently spoken. They command the world's sympathy. But there are also discreditable anguishes, no less excruciating than the others, but of which the sufferer dare not, cannot speak. The anguish of thwarted desire, for example.

- Huxley, Aldous

The most valuable of all education is the ability to make yourself do the thing you have to do, when it has to be done, whether you like it or not.

- Huxley, Aldous

Every man who knows how to read has it in his power to magnify himself, to multiply the ways in which he exists, to make his life full, significant and interesting.

- Huxley, Aldous

Specialized meaninglessness has come to be regarded, in certain circles, as a kind of hall-mark of true science.

- Huxley, Aldous

We are all geniuses up to the age of ten.

- Huxley, Aldous

Most ignorance is evincible ignorance. We don't know because we don't want to know.

- Huxley, Aldous

A child-like man is not a man whose development has been arrested; on the contrary, he is a man who has given himself a chance of continuing to develop long after most adults have muffled themselves in the cocoon of middle-aged habit and convention.

- Huxley, Aldous

Most human beings have an infinite capacity for taking things for granted.

- Huxley, Aldous

Every man's memory is his private literature.

- Huxley, Aldous

Man approaches the unattainable truth through a succession of errors.

- Huxley, Aldous

After silence that which comes nearest to expressing the inexpressible is music.

- Huxley, Aldous

Uncontrolled, the hunger and thirst after God may become an obstacle, cutting off the soul from what it desires. If a man would travel far along the mystic road, he must learn to desire God intensely but in stillness, passively and yet with all his heart and mind and strength.

- Huxley, Aldous

The finest works of art are precious, among other reasons, because they make it possible for us to know, if only imperfectly and for a little while, what it actually feels like to think subtly and feel nobly.

- Huxley, Aldous

An atheist is a person who has no invisible means of support

- Huxley, Aldous

To his dog, every man is Napoleon; hence the constant popularity of dogs.

- Huxley, Aldous

Proverbs are always platitudes until you have personally experienced the truth of them.

- Huxley, Aldous

Classic remorse, as all the moralists are agreed, is a most undesirable sentiment. If you have behaved badly, repent, make what amends you can and address yourself to the task of behaving better next time. On no account brood over your wrongdoing. ROLLING IN THE MUCK IS NOT THE BEST WAY OF GETTING CLEAN.

- Huxley, Aldous

There's only one effectively redemptive sacrifice, the sacrifice of self-will to make room for the knowledge of God.

- Huxley, Aldous

Science has explained nothing; the more we know the more fantastic the world becomes and the profounder the surrounding darkness.

- Huxley, Aldous

Those who believe that they are exclusively in the right are generally those who achieve something.

- Huxley, Aldous

There's only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self.

- Huxley, Aldous

The more powerful and original a mind, the more it will incline towards the religion of solitude.

- Huxley, Aldous

The charm of history and its enigmatic lesson consist in the fact that, from age to age, nothing changes and yet everything is completely different.

- Huxley, Aldous

There is no substitute for talent. Industry and all the virtues are of no avail.

- Huxley, Aldous

Most of one's life is one prolonged effort to prevent oneself thinking.

- Huxley, Aldous

Thought must be divided against itself before it can come to any knowledge of itself.

- Huxley, Aldous

We participate in tragedy. At comedy we only look.

- Huxley, Aldous

So long as men worship the Caesars and Napoleons, the Caesars and Napoleons will arise to make them miserable.

- Huxley, Aldous

Ignore death up to the last moment; then, when it can't be ignored any longer, have yourself squirted full of morphia and shuffle off in a coma. Thoroughly sensible, humane and scientific, eh?

- Huxley, Aldous

Sit down before fact like a little child, and be prepared to give up every preconceived notion. Follow humbly wherever and to whatever abyss Nature leads, or you shall learn nothing.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

A world of facts lies outside and beyond the world of words.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

There is the greatest practical benefit in making a few failures early in life.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

We live in a world which is full of misery and ignorance, and the plain duty of each and all of us is to try to make the little corner he can influence somewhat less miserable and somewhat less ignorant than it was before he entered it.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

There is no alleviation for the sufferings of mankind except veracity of thought and of action, and the resolute facing of the world as it is when the garment of make-believe by which pious hands have hidden its uglier features is stripped off.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

Every great advance in natural knowledge has involved the absolute rejection of authority.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

Try to learn something about everything and everything about something.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

No delusion is greater than the notion that method and industry can make up for lack of mother-wit, either in science or in practical life.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

There is no greater mistake than the hasty conclusion that opinions are worthless because they are badly argued.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

Patience and tenacity of purpose are worth more than twice their weight of cleverness.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

There is no sea more dangerous than the ocean of practical politics -- none in which there is more need of good pilots and of a single, unfaltering purpose when the waves rise high.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

It is not who is right, but what is right, that is of importance.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

I know of no department of natural science more likely to reward a man who goes into it thoroughly than anthropology. There is an immense deal to be done in the science pure and simple, and it is one of those branches of inquiry which brings one into contact with the great problems of humanity in every direction.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

Science is simply common sense at its best--that is, rigidly accurate in observation, and merciless to fallacy in logic.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

In scientific work, those who refuse to go beyond fact rarely get as far as fact.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

The great end of life is not knowledge but action.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

Logical consequences are the scarecrows of fools and the beacons of wise men.

- Huxley, Thomas H.

The law of harvest is to reap more than you sow. Sow an act, and you reap a habit. Sow a habit and you reap a character. Sow a character and you reap a destiny.

- Allen, James

To begin to think with purpose, is to enter the ranks of those strong ones who only recognize failure as one of the pathways to attainment.

- Allen, James

It is a process of diverting one's scattered forces into one powerful channel.

- Allen, James

You will become as small as your controlling desire; as great as your dominant aspiration.

- Allen, James

A man sooner or later discovers that he is the master-gardener of his soul, the director of his life.

- Allen, James

Cherish your visions; cherish your ideals; cherish the music that stirs in your heart, the beauty that forms in your mind, the loveliness that drapes your purest thoughts, for out of them will grow delightful conditions, all heavenly environment; of these if you but remain true to them, your world will at last be built.

- Allen, James

Let there be nothing within thee that is not very beautiful and very gentle, and there will be nothing without thee that is not beautiful and softened by the spell of thy presence.

- Allen, James

A man should conceive of a legitimate purpose in his heart, and set out to accomplish it. He should make this purpose the centralizing point of his thoughts. It may take the form of a spiritual ideal, or it may be a worldly object, according to his nature at the time being; but whichever it is, he should steadily focus his thought forces upon the object which he

has set before him. He should make this purpose his supreme duty, and should devote himself to its attainment, not allowing his thoughts to wander away into ephemeral fancies, longings, and imaginings. This is the royal road to self-control and true concentration of thought. Even if he fails again and again to accomplish his purpose (as he necessarily must until weakness is overcome), the strength of character gained will be the measure of his true success, and this will form a new starting point for future power and triumph.

- Allen, James

Above all be of single aim; have a legitimate and useful purpose, and devote yourself unreservedly to it.

- Allen, James

To put away aimlessness and weakness, and to begin to think with purpose, is to enter the ranks of those strong ones who only recognize failure as one of the pathways to attainment; who make all conditions serve them, and who think strongly, attempt fearlessly, and accomplish masterfully.

- Allen, James

Men are anxious to improve their circumstances, but are unwilling to improve themselves; they therefore remain bound.

- Allen, James

He who would accomplish little must sacrifice little; he who would achieve much must

sacrifice much; he who would attain highly must sacrifice greatly.

- Allen, James

He who would be useful, strong, and happy must cease to be a passive receptacle for the negative, beggarly, and impure streams of thought; and as a wise householder commands his servants and invites his guests, so must he learn to command his desires and to say, with authority, what thoughts he shall admit into the mansion of his soul.

- Allen, James

For true success ask yourself these four questions: Why? Why not? Why not me? Why not now?

- Allen, James

All that you accomplish or fail to accomplish with your life is the direct result of your thoughts.

- Allen, James

Our life is what our thoughts make it. A man will find that as he alters his thoughts toward things and other people, things and other people will alter towards him.

- Allen, James

You are today where your thoughts have brought you; you will be tomorrow where your thoughts take you.

- Allen, James

The more tranquil a man becomes, the greater is his success, his influence, his power for good. Calmness of mind is one of the beautiful jewels of wisdom.

- Allen, James

Work joyfully and peacefully, knowing that right thoughts and right efforts will inevitably bring about right results.

- Allen, James

Man is made or unmade by himself. By the right choice he ascends. As a being of power, intelligence, and love, and the lord of his own thoughts, he holds the key to every situation.

- Allen, James

Great effort is required to arrest decay and restore vigor. One must exercise proper deliberation, plan carefully before making a move, and be alert in guarding against relapse following a renaissance.

- I Ching

He who possesses the source of enthusiasm will achieve great things. Doubt not. You will gather friends around you as a hair clasp gathers the hair.

- I Ching

One should act in consonance with the way of heaven and earth, which is enduring and eternal. The superior man perseveres long in his course, adapts to the times, but remains firm in his direction and correct in his goals.

- I Ching

The responses of human beings vary greatly under dangerous circumstances. The strong man advances boldly to meet them head on. The weak man grows agitated. But the superior man stands up to fate, endures resolutely in his inner certainty If ignorant both

- I Ching

We are continually faced by great opportunities brilliantly disguised as insoluble problems.

- Iacocca, Lee

You've got to say, I think that if I keep working at this and want it badly enough I can have it. It's called perseverance.

- Iacocca, Lee

People say to me, You were a roaring success. How did you do it? I go back to what my parents taught me. Apply yourself. Get all the education you can, but then, by God, do something. Don't just stand there, make something happen.

- Iacocca, Lee

The discipline of writing something down is the first step toward making it happen.

- Iacocca, Lee

So what do we do? Anything. Something. So long as we just don't sit there. If we screw it up, start over. Try something else. If we wait until we've satisfied all the uncertainties, it may be too late.

- Iacocca, Lee

When the product is right, you don't have to be a great marketer.

- Iacocca, Lee

If you want to make good use of your time, you've got to know what's most important and then give it all you've got.

- Iacocca, Lee

The ability to concentrate and to use time well is everything.

- Iacocca, Lee

I think over again my small adventures, my fears, These small ones that seemed so big. For all the vital things I had to get and to reach. And yet there is only one great thing, The only thing. To live to see the great day that dawns And the light that fills the world.

- Inuit Song

If what they are saying about you is true, mend your ways. If it isn't true, forget it, and go on and serve the Lord.

- Ironside, H. A.

God does not treat us as our sins deserve, man treats us as our sins deserve.

- Irvine, Robert

You've got to get obsessed and stay obsessed.

- Irving, John

The majority is never right. Never, I tell you! That's one of these lies in society that no free and intelligent man can help rebelling against. Who are the people that make up the biggest proportion of the population -- the intelligent ones or the fools? I think we can agree it's the fools, no matter where you go in this world, it's the fools that form the overwhelming majority.

- Ibsen, Henrik

It was then that I began to look into the seams of your doctrine. I wanted only to pick at a single knot; but when I had got that undone, the whole thing raveled out. And then I understood that it was all machine-sewn.

- Ibsen, Henrik

Castles in the air - -they are so easy to take refuge in. And so easy to build as well.

- Ibsen, Henrik

A forest bird never wants a cage.

- Ibsen, Henrik

The majority is always wrong; the minority is rarely right.

- Ibsen, Henrik

The strongest man in the world is he who stands alone.

- Ibsen, Henrik

A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed.

- Ibsen, Henrik

What light is to the eyes -- what air is to the lungs -- what love is to the heart, liberty is to the soul of man.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

Anger blows out the lamp of the mind. In the examination of a great and important question, everyone should be serene, slow-pulsed and calm.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

In the republic of mediocrity, genius is dangerous.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

The superior man is the providence of the inferior. He is eyes for the blind, strength for the weak, and a shield for the defenseless.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

Reason, observation, and experience; the holy trinity of science.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

Colleges are places where pebbles are polished and diamonds are dimmed.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

It is a blessed thing that in every age some one has had the individuality enough and courage enough to stand by his own convictions.

- Ingersoll, Robert Green

Little minds are tamed and subdued by misfortune; but great minds rise above them.

- Irving, Washington

Whenever a man's friends begin to compliment him about looking young, he may be sure that they think he is growing old.

- Irving, Washington

The idol of today pushes the hero of yesterday out of our recollection; and will, in turn, be supplanted by his successor of tomorrow.

- Irving, Washington

An inexhaustible good nature is one of the most precious gifts of heaven, spreading itself like oil over the troubled sea of thought, and keeping the mind smooth and equable in the roughest weather.

- Irving, Washington

A kind heart is a fountain of gladness, making everything in its vicinity freshen into smiles.

- Irving, Washington

Great minds have purposes; others have wishes.

- Irving, Washington

The natural effect of sorrow over the dead is to refine and elevate the mind.

- Irving, Washington

There is a serene and settled majesty to woodland scenery that enters into the soul and delights and elevates it, and fills it with noble inclinations.

- Irving, Washington

There is a sacredness in tears. They are not the mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition, and of unspeakable love.

- Irving, Washington

A woman's whole life is a history of the affections. The heart is her world: it is there her ambition strives for empire; it is there her avarice seeks for hidden treasures. She sends forth her sympathies on adventure; she embarks her whole soul on the traffic of affection; and if shipwrecked, her case is hopeless -- for it is a bankruptcy of the heart.

- Irving, Washington

Never take counsel of your fears.

- Jackson, Stonewall

In every veil you see, the Divine Beauty is concealed, making every heart a slave to him. In love to him the heart finds its life; in desire for him the soul finds its happiness. The heart which loves a fair one here, though it knows it not, is really his lover.

- Jami

The greatest healing therapy is friendship and love.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

The President is the people's lobbyist.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

Each child is an adventure into a better life --an opportunity to change the old pattern and

make it new.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

We are in danger of making our cities places where business goes on but where life, in its real sense, is lost.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

I learned more about the economy from one South Dakota dust storm than I did in all my years of college.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

When people generally are aware of a problem, it can be said to have entered the public consciousness. When people get on their hind legs and holler, the problem has not only entered the public consciousness -- it has also become a part of the public conscience. At that point, things in our democracy begin to hum.

- Humphrey, Hubert H.

Start early and begin raising the bar throughout the day.

- Jenner, Bruce

I learned that the only way you are going to get anywhere in life is to work hard at it. Whether you're a musician, a writer, an athlete or a businessman, there is no getting around it. If you do, you'll win -- if you don't you won t.

- Jenner, Bruce

To me, the definition of focus is knowing exactly where you want to be today, next week, next month, next year, then never deviating from your plan. Once you can see, touch and feel your objective, all you have to do is pull back and put all your strength behind it, and you'll hit your target every time.

- Jenner, Bruce

No man is so foolish but he may sometimes give another good counsel, and no man so wise that he may not easily err if he takes no other counsel than his own. He that is taught only by himself has a fool for a master.

- Johnson, Ben

Become so wrapped up in something that you forget to be afraid.

- Johnson, Lady Bird

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