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Asking the right questions takes as much skill as giving the right answers.

- Half, Robert

Immature love says: I love you because I need you. Mature love says: I need you because I love you.

- Fromm, Erich

Man is the only animal for whom his own existence is a problem which he has to solve.

- Fromm, Erich

Only the person who has faith in himself is able to be faithful to others.

- 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

The task we must set for ourselves is not to feel secure, but to be able to tolerate insecurity.

- Fromm, Erich

Not he who has much is rich, but he who gives much.

- Fromm, Erich

Creativity requires the courage to let go of certainties.

- Fromm, Erich

When somebody gives you a sexy look, you know they're trying. It's terrible! But when you smile, it's so much sexier!

- Alt, Carol

Age is whatever you think it is. You are as old as you think you are.

- Ali, Muhammad

I'm not interested in age. People who tell me their age are silly. You're as old as you feel.

- Arden, Elizabeth

To resist the frigidity of old age, one must combine the body, the mind, and the heart. And to keep these in parallel vigor one must exercise, study, and love.

- Bonstettin

A woman past forty should make up her mind to be young; not her face.

- Burke, Billie

You can't help getting older, but you don't have to get old.

- Burns, George

True humor springs not more from the head than from the heart. It is not contempt; its essence is love. It issues not in laughter, but in still smiles, which lie far deeper.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Don't be afraid of showing affection. Be warm and tender, thoughtful and affectionate. Men are more helped by sympathy than by service. Love is more than money, and a kind word will give more pleasure than a present.

- Lubbock, Sir John

Man needs difficulties; they are necessary for health.

- Jung, Carl

The power of intuitive understanding will protect you from harm until the end of your days.

- Lao-Tzu

Abundance is not something we acquire. It is something we tune into.

- Dyer, Wayne

I will grow. I will become something new and grand, but no grander than I now am. Just as the sky will be different in a few hours, its present perfection and completeness is not deficient, so am I presently perfect and not deficient because I will be different tomorrow. I will grow and I am not deficient.

- Dyer, Wayne

If you would take, you must first give, this is the beginning of intelligence.

- Lao-Tzu

It's never too late to have a happy childhood.

- Dyer, Wayne

The highest form of ignorance is when you reject something you don't know anything about.

- Dyer, Wayne

When you judge another, you do not define them, you define yourself.

- Dyer, Wayne

Kindness in words creates confidence. Kindness in thinking creates profoundness.

Kindness in giving creates love.

- Lao-Tzu

To lead people walk behind them.

- Lao-Tzu

You cannot be lonely if you like the person you're alone with.

- 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

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

A good traveler has no fixed plans and is not intent upon arriving. A good artist lets his intuition lead him wherever it wants.

- Lao-Tzu

Knowing others is intelligence; knowing yourself is true wisdom. Mastering others is strength, mastering yourself is true power.

- Lao-Tzu

The difference between stumbling blocks and stepping stones is how you use them

- Unknown, Source

The snow goose need not bathe to make itself white. Neither need you do anything but be yourself.

- Lao-Tzu

Life is a series of natural and spontaneous changes. Don't resist them -- that only creates sorrow. Let reality be reality. Let things flow naturally forward in whatever way they like.

- Lao-Tzu

How people treat you is their karma; how you react is yours.

- Dyer, Wayne

Charm is a glow within a woman which casts a most becoming light on others.

- Brown, John Mason

Charm is a way of getting the answer yes without having asked any clear question.

- Camus, Albert

You will never be happy if you continue to search for what happiness consists of. You will never live if you are looking for the meaning of life.

- Camus, Albert

Man is the only creature who refuses to be what he is.

- Camus, Albert

Don't walk in front of me, I may not follow; Don't walk behind me, I may not lead; Walk beside me, and just be my friend.

- Camus, Albert

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

Courtship -- A man pursuing a woman until she catches him.

- Unknown, Source

People often say that this or that person has not yet found himself. But the self is not something that one finds. It is something one creates.

- Szasz, Thomas

Whatever creativity is, it is in part a solution to a problem.

- Aldiss, Brian

Creativity is inventing, experimenting, growing, taking risks, breaking rules, making mistakes, and having fun.

- Cook, Mary Lou

The essential part of creativity is not being afraid to fail.

- Land, Edwin H.

Without this playing with fantasy no creative work has ever yet come to birth. The debt we owe to the play of the imagination is incalculable.

- Jung, Carl

Everything that irritates us about others can lead us to an understanding of ourselves.

- Jung, Carl

Where love rules, there is no will to power; where power predominates, there love is lacking. The one is the shadow of the other.

- Jung, Carl

What comes out of you when you are squeezed is what is inside of you.

- Dyer, Wayne

Your vision will become clear only when you can look into your own heart. Who looks outside, dreams; who looks inside, awakens.

- Jung, Carl

Silence is the great teacher, and to learn its lessons you must pay attention to it. There is no substitute for the creative inspiration, knowledge, and stability that come from knowing how to contact your core of inner silence. The great Sufi poet Rumi wrote, Only let the moving waters calm down, and the sun and moon will be reflected on the surface of your being.

- Chopra, Deepak

Let the lover be disgraceful, crazy, absent-minded. Someone sober will worry about events going badly. Let the lover be.

- Rumi, Jalal-Uddin

You are quaffing drink from a hundred fountains: whenever any of these hundred yields less, your pleasure is diminished. But when the sublime fountain gushes from within you, no longer need you steal from the other fountains.

- Rumi, Jalal-Uddin

Inside you there's an artist you don't know about. He's not interested in how things look different in moonlight.

- Rumi, Jalal-Uddin

If there be no enemy there's no fight. If no fight, no victory and if no victory there is no crown.

- Carlyle, Thomas

Imagination is a poor matter when it has to part company with understanding.

- Carlyle, Thomas

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 are told never to cross a bridge till we come to it, but this world is owned by men who have crossed bridges in their imagination far ahead of the crowd.

- Library, Speakers

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

- Churchill, Winston

The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, not to worry about the future, or not to anticipate troubles, but to live in the present moment wisely and earnestly.

- Buddha

Believe nothing, no matter where you read it, or who said it, no matter if I have said it, unless it agrees with your own reason and your own common sense.

- Buddha

It is better to conquer yourself than to win a thousand battles. Then the victory is yours. It cannot be taken from you, not by angels or by demons, heaven or hell.

- Buddha

We should take care not to make the intellect our god: it has, of course, powerful muscles, but no personality.

- Einstein, Albert

The true sign of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination.

- Einstein, Albert

I do not know with what weapons World War 3 will be fought, but World War 4 will be fought with sticks and stones.

- Einstein, Albert

How strange is the lot of us mortals! 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

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

Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared.

- Buddha

Hatred does not cease by hatred, but only by love; this is the eternal rule.

- Buddha

The way is not in the sky. The way is in the heart.

- Buddha

Everything changes, nothing remains without change.

- Buddha

All that we are is the result of what we have thought. The mind is everything. What we think, we become.

- Buddha

We are what we think. All that we are arises With our thoughts. With our thoughts, We make our world.

- Buddha

The price of greatness is responsibility.

- Churchill, Winston

If you have knowledge, let others light their candles with it.

- Churchill, Winston

The empires of the futures are the empires of the mind.

- Churchill, Winston

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

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

- Churchill, Winston

Once upon a time all the animals in the zoo decided that they would disarm, and they arranged to have a conference to arrange the matter. So the Rhinoceros said when he opened the proceedings that the use of teeth was barbarous and horrible and ought to be strictly prohibited by general consent. Horns, which were mainly defensive weapons, would, of course, have to be allowed. The Buffalo, the Stag, the Porcupine, and even the little Hedgehog all said they would vote with the Rhino, but the Lion and the Tiger took a different view. They defended teeth and even claws, which they described as honourable weapons of immemorial antiquity. The Panther, the Leopard, the Puma, and the whole tribe of small cats all supported the Lion and the Tiger. Then the Bear spoke. He proposed that both teeth and horns should be banned and never used again for fighting by any animal. It would be quite enough if animals were allowed to give each other a good hug when they quarreled. No one could object to that. It was so fraternal, and that would be a great step towards peace. However, all the other animals were very offended with the Bear, and the Turkey fell into a perfect panic. The discussion got so hot and angry, and all those animals began thinking so much about horns and teeth and hugging when they argued about the peaceful intentions that had brought them together that they began to look at one another in a very nasty way. Luckily the keepers were able to calm them down and persuade them to go back quietly to their cages, and they began to feel quite friendly with one another again.

- Churchill, Winston

One must not attempt to justify them, but rather to sense their nature simply and clearly.

- Einstein, Albert

Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I'm not sure about the universe.

- Einstein, Albert

To know is nothing at all; to imagine is everything.

- 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

Let every man be respected as an individual and no man idolized.

- 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

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in creative expression and knowledge.

- Einstein, Albert

We shall require a substantially new manner of thinking if mankind is to survive.

- Einstein, Albert

When a man sits with a pretty girl for an hour, it seems like a minute. But let him sit on a hot stove for a minute -- then it's longer than any hour. That's relativity!

- 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

Try not to become a man of success but rather try to become a man of value.

- Einstein, Albert

The pioneers of a warless world are the young men and women who refuse military service.

- 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

He who can no longer pause to wonder and stand rapt in awe is as good as dead; his eyes are closed.

- Einstein, Albert

All the works of man have their origin in creative fantasy. What right have we then to depreciate imagination.

- Jung, Carl

It all depends on how we look at things, and not how they are in themselves.

- Jung, Carl

The healthy man does not torture others -- generally it is the tortured who turn into torturers.

- Jung, Carl

Seek not happiness too greedily, and be not fearful of unhappiness.

- Lao-Tzu

When the best leader's work is done the people say, We did it ourselves.

- Lao-Tzu

Truthful words are not beautiful; beautiful words are not truthful. Good words are not persuasive; persuasive words are not good.

- Lao-Tzu

To love someone deeply gives you strength. Being loved by someone deeply gives you courage.

- Lao-Tzu

All great deeds and all great thoughts have a ridiculous beginning.

- Camus, Albert

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

The society based on production is only productive, not creative.

- Camus, Albert

Every act of conscious learning requires the willingness to suffer an injury to one's self-esteem. That is why young children, before they are aware of their own self-importance, learn so easily; and why older persons, especially if vain or important,

cannot learn at all.

- Szasz, Thomas

The proverb warns; Don't bite the hand that feeds you. But maybe you should, if it prevents you from feeding yourself.

- Szasz, Thomas

Men are afraid to rock the boat in which they hope to drift safely through life's currents, when, actually, the boat is stuck on a sandbar. They would be better off to rock the boat and try to shake it loose, or, better still, jump in the water and swim for the shore.

- Szasz, Thomas

The many faces of intimacy: the Victorians could experience it through correspondence, but not through cohabitation; contemporary men and women can experience it through fornication, but not through friendship.

- Szasz, Thomas

Knowledge is gained by learning; trust by doubt; skill by practice; love by love.

- Szasz, Thomas

If the dead talk to you, you are a spiritualist; if God talks to you, you are a schizophrenic.

- Szasz, Thomas

In the past, men created witches; now they create mental patients.

- Szasz, Thomas

When a person can no longer laugh at himself, it is time for others to laugh at him.

- Szasz, Thomas

The system isn't stupid, but the people in it are.

- Szasz, Thomas

Narcissist: psychoanalytic term for the person who loves himself more than his analyst; considered to be the manifestation of a dire mental disease whose successful treatment depends on the patient learning to love the analyst more and himself less.

- Szasz, Thomas

What call thou solitude? Is not the earth with various living creatures, and the air replenished, and all these at thy command to come and play before thee?

- Milton, John

Childhood shows the man, as morning shows the day.

- Milton, John

The man who has no imagination has no wings.

- Ali, Muhammad

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

- Ali, Muhammad

If Woody Allen were a Muslim, he'd be dead by now.

- Rushdie, Salman

Too bad that all the people who know how to run the country are busy driving taxicabs and cutting hair.

- Burns, George

Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass on a summer day listening to the murmur of water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is hardly a waste of time.

- Lubbock, Sir John

Only from the heart Can you touch the sky.

- Rumi, Jalal-Uddin

If you look deep enough you will see music; the heart of nature being everywhere music.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The most fearful unbelief is unbelief in your self.

- Carlyle, Thomas

The less you open your heart to others, the more your heart suffers.

- Chopra, Deepak

Sometimes legends make reality, and become more useful than the facts.

- Rushdie, Salman

Our lives teach us who we are.

- Rushdie, Salman

The man who really wants to do something finds a way, the other finds an excuse.

- Unknown, Source

A word of encouragement during a failure is worth more than an hour of praise after success.

- Unknown, Source

I like nonsense -- it wakes up the brain cells. Fantasy is a necessary ingredient in living. It's a way of looking at life through the wrong end of a telescope... and that enables you to laugh at all of life's realities.

- Seuss, Dr.

If you've never failed you've never tried.

- Unknown, Source

All fixed set patterns are incapable of adaptability or pliability. The truth is outside of all fixed patterns.

- Lee, Bruce

When the power of love overcomes the love of power, the world will know peace.

- Hendrix, Jimi

Life flows on within you and without you.

- Harrison, George

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

- Hesse, Hermann

Cynicism is indeed negative for your mind, but if you can allow it as your cloud to your sunshine, then it may strengthen you to see the truth.

- Qi Nyong

Do not fear mistakes -- there are none.

- Davis, Miles

Don't play what's there, play what's not there.

- Davis, Miles

When I die, I want people to play my music, go wild and freak out and do anything they want to do.

- Hendrix, Jimi

We have inherited the past; we can create the future.

- Unknown, Source

I have become my own version of an optimist. If I can't make it through one door, I'll go through another door -- or I'll make a door. Something terrific will come no matter how dark the present.

- Tagore, Rabindranath

One never reaches home, but wherever friendly paths intersect the whole world looks like home for a time.

- Hesse, Hermann

So wie die Verruecktheit in einem hoeheren Sinn, der Anfang aller Weisheit ist, so ist die Schizophrenie der Anfang aller Kunst, aller Phantasie. (As insanity in a higher sense, is the beginning of all wisdom, so is schizophrenia the beginning of all art, all fantasy.)

- Hesse, Hermann

Without music to decorate it, time is just a bunch of boring production deadlines or dates by which bills must be paid.

- Zappa, Frank

Information is not knowledge.

Knowledge is not wisdom.

Wisdom is not truth.

Truth is not love.

Love is not music.

Music is the best.

- Zappa, Frank

Great intellects are skeptical.

- Nietzsche, Friedrich

People of genius whenever they are faced with misfortune find resources within themselves.

- Brouhours

To understand the heart and mind of a person, look not at what he has already achieved, but at what he aspires to do.

- Gibran, Kahlil

Why should we be in such desperate haste to succeed, and in such desperate enterprises? If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured and far away. It is not important that he should mature as soon as an apple tree or an oak.

- Thoreau, Henry David

Beauty in not in the face; beauty is a light in the heart.

- Gibran, Kahlil

You may give them your love but not your thoughts. For they have their own thoughts. You may house their bodies but not their souls, for their souls dwell in the house of tomorrow, which you cannot visit, not even in your dreams.

- Gibran, Kahlil

You have your thought and I have mine.
Your thought advocates Judaism, Brahmanism, Buddhism, Christianity, and Islam. In my thought there is only one universal religion, whose varied paths are but the fingers of the loving hand of the Supreme Being.

You have your thought and I have mine.
Mine is the thought of him who is lost in his own country, of the alien in his own nation, of the solitary among his kinfolk and friends.

- Gibran, Kahlil

It is man that makes truth great, not truth that makes man great.

- Confucius

You can fake an orgasm, but you can't fake laughter.

- Dylan, Bob

Laughter is the shortest distance between two people.

- Borge, Victor

The secret to staying young is to live honestly, eat slowly, and lie about your age.

- Ball, Lucille

If you tell the truth, you don't have to remember anything.

- Twain, Mark

It is not the hours we put in on the job, it is what we put into the hours that counts.

- Madwed, Sidney

Every goal, every action, every thought, every feeling one experiences, whether it be consciously or unconsciously known, is an attempt to increase one's level of peace of mind.

- Madwed, Sidney

Thinking and Thought: Thoughts are funny little things, They can make paupers or make kings.

- Madwed, Sidney

One secures the gold of the spirit when he finds himself.

- Bristol, Claude M.

Always try to do something for the other fellow and you will be agreeably surprised how things come your way -- how many pleasing things are done for you.

- Bristol, Claude M.

It's the constant and determined effort that breaks down all resistance, sweeps away all obstacles.

- Bristol, Claude M.

It's the repetition of affirmations that leads to belief. And once that belief becomes a deep conviction, things begin to happen.

- Bristol, Claude M.

These repetitive words and phrases are merely methods of convincing the subconscious mind.

- Bristol, Claude M.

Any thought that is passed on to the subconscious often enough and convincingly enough is finally accepted.

- Collier, Robert

No man is free who is not a master of himself.

- Epictetus

For it is not death or hardship that is a fearful thing, but the fear of death and hardship.

- Epictetus

God hath entrusted me with myself.

- Epictetus

It's not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters.

- Epictetus

If evil be spoken of you and it be true, correct yourself, if it be a lie, laugh at it.

- Epictetus

Our subconscious minds have no sense of humor, play no jokes and cannot tell the difference between reality and an imagined thought or image. What we continually think about eventually will manifest in our lives.

- Madwed, Sidney

When you affirm your own rightness in the universe, then you co-operate with others easily and automatically as part of your own nature. You, being yourself, helps others be themselves. Because you recognize your own uniqueness you will not need to dominate others, nor cringe before them

- Roberts, Jane

If you are going to tell people the truth, be funny or they will kill you.

- Wilder, Billy

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