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Friend is a book in one word.

-Tadj Abelkader

It's all to do with the training: you can do a lot if you're properly trained.

-Queen Elizabeth

How beautiful is youth! how bright it gleams with its illusions, aspirations, dreams! Book of Beginnings, Story without End, Each maid a heroine, and each man a friend!

-Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Watering the flowers and the trees, whispering to them, talking to them. Then, they will grow to be more bright and luxuriant.

-Buddha

The best kind of friend is the one you could sit on a porch with, never saying a word, and walk away feeling like that was the best conversation you've had.

-Source Unknown

Must a government, of necessity, be too strong for the liberties of its own people, or too weak to maintain its own existence?

-Abraham Lincoln

We are happier in many ways when we are old than when we were young. The young sow wild oats. The old grow sage.

-Winston Churchill

If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be. The functionaries of every government have propensities to command at will the liberty and property of their constituents. There is no safe deposit for these but with the people themselves; nor can they be safe with them without information. Where the press is free, and every man able to read, all is safe.

-Thomas Jefferson

LOVE IS... ONE SOUL IN TWO BODIES

-Aristotle

The soul never thinks without a picture.

-Aristotle

Russia is a riddle wrapped in a mystery inside an enigma. [About Russia]

-Winston Churchill

Always remember, a cat looks down on man, a dog looks up to man, but a pig will look man right in the eye and see his equal.

-Winston Churchill

Many forms of Government have been tried, and will be tried in this world of sin and woe. No one pretends that democracy is perfect or all-wise. Indeed, it has been said that democracy is the worst form of Government except all those others that have been tried from time to time.

-Winston Churchill

True genius resides in the capacity for evaluation of uncertain, hazardous, and conflicting information.

-Winston Churchill

There are a terrible lot of lies going about the world, and the worst of it is that half of them are true.

-Winston Churchill

There is no such thing as public opinion. There is only published opinion.

-Winston Churchill

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

-Winston Churchill

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.

-Winston Churchill

If we open a quarrel between the past and the present, we shall find we have lost the future.

-Winston Churchill

The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of blessings; the inherent vice of socialism is the equal sharing of miseries.

-Winston Churchill

Some people regard private enterprise as a predatory tiger to be shot. Others look on it as a cow they can milk. Not enough people see it as a healthy horse, pulling a sturdy wagon.

-Winston Churchill

When the eagles are silent the parrots begin to jabber.

-Winston Churchill

The latest refinements of science are linked with the cruelties of the Stone Age.

-Winston Churchill

Some men change their party for the sake of their principles; others their principles for the sake of their party.

-Winston Churchill

In war you can be killed only once. In politics, many times.

-Winston Churchill

It is a mistake to look too far ahead. Only one link in the chain of destiny can be handled at a time.

-Winston Churchill

Nothing real can be threatened. Nothing unreal exists. Herein lies the peace of God.

-A Course In Miracles

Dedicate yourself to the good you deserve and desire for yourself. Give yourself peace of mind. You deserve to be happy. You deserve delight.

-Mark Victor Hansen

Life affords no higher pleasure than that of surmounting difficulties, passing from one step of success to another, forming new wishes and seeing them gratified.

-Samuel Johnson

Peace cannot be achieved through violence, it can only be attained through understanding.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

The true and solid peace of nations consists not in equality of arms, but in mutual trust alone.

-Pope John XXIII

Nothing can bring you peace but yourself; nothing, but the triumph of principles.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way. Some see nature all ridicule and deformity... and some scarce

see nature at all. But to the eyes of the man of imagination, nature is imagination itself.

-William Blake

We ought to think that we are one of the leaves of a tree, and the tree is all humanity.

We cannot live without the others, without the tree.

-Pablo Casals

Victory has a hundred fathers but defeat is an orphan.

-Galeazzo Ciano

Living is death; dying is life. We are not what we appear to be. On this side of the grave we are exiles, on that citizens; on this side orphans, on that children;

-Henry Ward Beecher

Hope is the best part of our riches.

-Christian Nevell Bovee

To give a generous hope to a man of his own nature, is to enrich him immeasurably.

-William Ellery Channing

Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul -- and sings the tunes without the words -- and never stops at all.

-Emily Dickinson

To live without Hope is to Cease to live.

-Fyodor Dostoevsky

An orphan's curse would drag to hell, a spirit from on high; but oh! more horrible than that, is a curse in a dead man's eye!

-Samuel Taylor Coleridge

Neither should a ship rely on one small anchor, nor should life rest on a single hope.

-Epictetus

Hold your head high, stick your chest out. You can make it. It gets dark sometimes, but morning comes. Keep hope alive.

-Jesse Jackson

The opposite of love is not hate, the opposite of love is ignorance.

-Brian Hwang

Men's faults to themselves seldom appear.

-William Shakespeare

Friendship is a sheltering tree.

-Samuel Taylor Coleridge

I said to the almond tree, Friend, speak to me of God, and the almond tree blossomed.

-Nikos Kazantzakis

There are no rules for friendship. It must be left to itself. We cannot force it any more than love.

-William Hazlitt

It can never be bought or borrowed or sold A gift to be cherished, True friendship is a treasure beyond compare.

-Source Unknown

Friendship is a comforting smile, A familiar voice that warms the heart, and the freedom to be the person God intended.

-Source Unknown

The best friend is likely to acquire the best wife, because a good marriage is based on the talent for friendship.

-Friedrich Nietzsche

Some friends play at friendship, but a true friend sticks closer than one's nearest kin.

[Proverbs 18:24]

-Bible

Friendship is genuine when two friends can enjoy each others company without speaking a word to one another.

-George Ebers

Among Life's precious jewels, Genuine and rare, The one that we call friendship Has worth beyond compare.

-Source Unknown

Friendship with oneself is all-important, because without it one cannot be friends with anyone else in the world.

-Eleanor Roosevelt

It is wise to apply the oil of refined politeness to the mechanism of friendship.

-Sidonie Gabrielle Colette

Friendship is like a bank account. You can't continue to draw on it without making deposits.

-Source Unknown

All love that has not friendship for its base, is like a mansion built upon the sand.

-Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Friendship is a priceless treasure never to be bought or sold -- it can only be cherished.

-Source Unknown

A tree growing out of the ground is as wonderful today as it ever was. It does not need to adopt new and startling methods.

-Robert Henri

Of all the wonders of nature, a tree in summer is perhaps the most remarkable; with the possible exception of a moose singing Embraceable You in spats.

-Woody Allen

The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.

-Abraham Lincoln

To a man, ornithologists are tall, slender, and bearded so that they can stand motionless for hours, imitating kindly trees, as they watch for birds.

-Gore Vidal

Character is like a tree and reputation like its shadow. The shadow is what we think of it; the tree is the real thing.

-Abraham Lincoln

He that plants trees loves others besides himself.

-English Proverb

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

-Winston Churchill

Good timber does not grow with ease. The stronger the wind the stronger the trees.

-Douglas Malloch

It is a good thing for an uneducated man to read books of quotations. Bartlett's Familiar Quotations is an admirable work, and I studied it intently. The quotations when engraved upon the memory give you good thoughts. They also make you anxious to read the authors and look for more.

-Winston Churchill

A short retirement urges a sweet return.

-John Milton

The thoughtful soul to solitude retires.

-Omar Khayyam

The greatest wealth is to live content with little, for there is never want where the mind is satisfied.

-Lucretius

Contentment is a pearl of great price, and whoever procures it at the expense of ten thousand desires makes a wise and a happy purchase.

-John Balguy

We love in another's soul whatever of ourselves we can deposit in it; the greater the deposit, the greater the love.

-Irving Layton

By learning you will teach, by teaching you will learn.

-Latin Proverb

Stupidity is a force unto itself.

-Latin Proverb

When we argue for our limitations, we get to keep them.

-Peter McWilliams

There are two kinds of people: those who say to God, Thy will be done, and those to whom God says, All right, then, have it your way.

-C. S. Lewis

The task of the modern educator is not to cut down jungles, but to irrigate deserts.

-C. S. Lewis

Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art. It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival.

-C. S. Lewis

You ask whether I have ever been in love: fool as I am, I am not such a fool as that. But if one is only to talk from first-hand experience, conversation would be a very poor business. But though I have no personal experience of the things they call love, I have what is better -- the experience of Sappho, of Euripides, of Catallus, of Shakespeare, of Spenser, of Austen, of Bronte, of anyone else I have read.

-C. S. Lewis

Nothing that you have not given away will ever be really yours.

-C. S. Lewis

Can a mortal ask questions which God finds unanswerable? Quite easily, I should think.

All nonsense questions are unanswerable.

-C. S. Lewis

Humans are amphibians -- half spirit and half animal. As spirits they belong to the eternal world, but as animals they inhabit time.

-C. S. Lewis

The safest road to hell is the gradual one -- the gentle slope, soft underfoot, without sudden turnings, without milestones, without signposts.

-C. S. Lewis

In a democracy -- even if it is a so-called democracy like our white-supremacist one -- the greatest veneration one can show the rule of law is to keep a watch on it, and to reserve the right to judge unjust laws and the subversion of the function of the law by the power of the state. That vigilance is the most important proof of respect for the law.

-Nadine Gordimer

The law will never make men free, it is men that have to make the law free.

-Henry David Thoreau

To make laws that man cannot, and will not obey, serves to bring all law into contempt.

-Elizabeth Cady Stanton

Nothing is more destructive of respect for the government and the law of the land than passing laws which cannot be enforced.

-Albert Einstein

The woman who tells her age is either too young to have anything to lose or too old to have anything to gain.

-Chinese Proverb

If I had my way books would not be written in English, but in an exceedingly difficult secret language that only skilled professional readers and story-tellers could interpret. Then people like you would have to go to public halls and pay good prices to hear the professionals decode and read the books aloud for you. This plan would have the advantage of scaring off all amateur authors, retired politicians, country doctors and I-Married-a-Midget writers who would not have the patience to learn the secret language.

-Robertson Davies

Forty is the old age of youth, fifty is the youth of old age.

-Victor Hugo

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

-Elizabeth Arden

Old age is the verdict of life.

-Amelia E. Barr

Education is the best provision for old age.

-Aristotle

Memory moderates prosperity, decreases adversity, controls youth and delights old age.

-Lactantius Firmianus

Cherish all your happy moments; they make a fine cushion for old age.

-Booth Tarkington

Do not go gentle into the good night. Old age should burn and rage at close of day.

-Dylan Thomas

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

-Oliver Wendell Holmes

God's retirement plan is out of this world

-Source Unknown

What torments my soul is its loneliness. The more it expands among friends and the daily habits or pleasures, the more, it seems to me, it flees me and retires into its fortress. The poet who lives in solitude, but who produces much, is the one who enjoys those treasures we bear in our bosom, but which forsake us when we give ourselves to others. When one yields oneself completely to one's soul, it opens itself to one, and then it is that the capricious thing allows one the greatest of good fortunes... that of sympathizing with others, of studying itself, of painting itself constantly in its works.

-Eugene Delacroix

Gratitude is our most direct line to God and the angels. If we take the time, no matter how crazy and troubled we feel, we can find something to be thankful for. The more we seek gratitude, the more reason the angels will give us for gratitude and joy to exist in our lives.

-Terry Lynn Taylor

Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all the others.

-Marcus T. Cicero

For today and its blessings, I owe the world an attitude of gratitude.

-Clarence E. Hodges

There is a calmness to a life lived in Gratitude, a quiet joy.

-Ralph H. Blum

Ambition breaks the ties of blood, and forgets the obligations of gratitude.

-Sir Walter Scott

Gratitude is the heart's memory.

-French Proverb

Gratitude is the most exquisite form of courtesy.

-Jacques Maritain

Gratitude is the fairest blossom which springs from the soul.

-Henry Ward Beecher

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

-Melody Beattie

Gratitude is not only the memory but the homage of the heart rendered to God for his goodness.

-Nathaniel P. Willis

Gratitude bestows reverence, allowing us to encounter everyday epiphanies, those transcendent moments of awe that change forever how we experience life and the world.

-John Milton

Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude.

-Denis Waitley

When the insects take over the world we hope they will remember, with gratitude, how we took them along on all our picnics.

-Bill Vaughan

We owe a deep debt of gratitude to Adam, the first great benefactor of the human race: he brought death into the world.

-Mark Twain

No one who achieves success does so without acknowledging the help of others. The wise and confident acknowledge this help with gratitude.

-Source Unknown

Two kinds of gratitude: The sudden kind we feel for what we take; the larger kind we feel for what we give.

-Edwin Arlington Robinson

Gratitude is a twofold love -- love coming to visit us, and love running out to greet a welcome guest.

-Henry Van Dyke

Bigotry dwarfs the soul by shutting out the truth.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Every action of our lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

No more duty can be urged upon those who are entering the great theater of life than simple loyalty to their best convictions.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The best men are not those who have waited for chances but who have taken them; besieged the chance; conquered the chance; and made chance the servitor.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Do not judge from mere appearances; for the light laughter that bubbles on the lip often mantles over the depths of sadness, and the serious look may be the sober veil that covers a divine peace and joy. The bosom can ache beneath diamond brooches; and many a blithe heart dances under coarse wool.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The essence of justice is mercy.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Objects close to the eye shut out much larger objects on the horizon; and splendors born only of the earth eclipse the stars. So it is with people who sometimes cover up the entire disc of eternity with a dollar, and so quench transcendent glories with a little

shining dust.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Poetry is the utterance of deep and heart-felt truth -- the true poet is very near the oracle.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Pride is the master sin of the devil, and the devil is the father of lies.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Not in achievement, but in endurance, of the human soul, does it show its divine grandeur and its alliance with the infinite.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

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

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Ostentation is the signal flag of hypocrisy.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

An aged Christian, with the snow of time upon his head, may remind us that those

points of earth are whitest which are nearest to heaven.

-Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Imagination is the eye of the soul.

-Joseph Joubert

Monuments are the grappling-irons that bind one generation to another.

-Joseph Joubert

Without the spiritual world the material world is a disheartening enigma.

-Joseph Joubert

There was a time when the world acted on books; now books act on the world.

-Joseph Joubert

To teach is to learn twice.

-Joseph Joubert

Tenderness is the rest of passion.

-Joseph Joubert

The hatred of relatives is the most violent.

-Publius Cornelius Tacitus

The love of fame is the last weakness which even the wise resign.

-Publius Cornelius Tacitus

Greater things are believed of those who are absent.

-Publius Cornelius Tacitus

Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

-King Jr. Martin Luther

Justice is truth in action.

-Benjamin Disraeli

The foundation of justice is good faith.

-Marcus T. Cicero

Justice is a concept. Muscle is the reality.

-Linda Blandford

The doctrine of equality! There exists no more poisonous poison: for it seems to be preached by justice itself, while it is the end of justice.

-Friedrich Nietzsche

Next to religion, let your care be to promote justice.

-Francis Bacon

Who thinks the law has anything to do with justice? It's what we have because we can't have justice.

-William McIlvanney

The more laws the less justice.

-Proverb

The voice of the majority is no proof of justice.

-Johann Friedrich Von Schiller

Peace and justice are two sides of the same coin.

-Dwight D. Eisenhower

To get Peace you must work for Justice.

-John Paul VI

Conscience is the chamber of justice.

-Origen

True liberty can exist only when justice is equally administered to all.

-Lord Mansfield

Revenge is the act of passion, vengeance is an act of justice.

-Samuel Johnson

When ever a separation is made between liberty and justice, neither is safe.

-Edmund Burke

Knowledge which is divorced from justice, may be called cunning rather than wisdom.

-Marcus T. Cicero

One hour in the execution of justice is worth seventy years of prayer.

-Proverb

Our birthdays are feathers in the broad wing of time.

-Jean Paul Richter

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.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

The greatest test of courage on earth is to bear defeat without losing heart.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

In nature there are neither rewards nor punishments; there are only consequences.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

Surely there is grandeur in knowing that in the realm of thought, at least, you are without a chain; that you have the right to explore all heights and depth; that there are no walls nor fences, nor prohibited places, nor sacred corners in all the vast expanse of thought...

-Robert Green Ingersoll

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.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

Anger is a wind which blows out the lamp of the mind.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

Reason, observation, and experience; the holy trinity of science.

-Robert Green Ingersoll

Many heroes lived before Agamemnon; but all are unknown and unwept, extinguished in everlasting night, because they have no spirited chronicler.

-Horace

As a rule, adversity reveals genius and prosperity hides it.

-Horace

What we learn only through the ears makes less impression upon our minds than what is presented to the trustworthy eye.

-Horace

Fortune makes a fool of those she favors too much.

-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

In the word of no master am I bound to believe.

-Horace

Refrain from asking what going to happen tomorrow, and everyday that fortune grants you, count as gain.

-Horace

Anger is a brief lunacy.

-Horace

Anger is a momentary madness, so control your passion or it will control you.

-Horace

No verse can give pleasure for long, nor last, that is written by drinkers of water.

-Horace

Believe that each day that shines on you is your last.

-Horace

Be ever on your guard what you say of anybody and to whom.

-Horace

Friends show their love in times of trouble...

-Euripides

One loyal friend is worth ten thousand relatives.

-Euripides

No one is truly free, they are a slave to wealth, fortune, the law, or other people
restraining them from acting according to their will.

-Euripides

Every man is like the company he is wont to keep.

-Euripides

Know first who you are; and then adorn yourself accordingly.

-Euripides

The language of truth is simple.

-Euripides

People that seem so glorious are all show; underneath they are like everyone else.

-Euripides

Cleverness is not wisdom.

-Euripides

'Twas but my tongue, 'twas not my soul that swore.

-Euripides

Wealth stays with us a little moment if at all: only our characters are steadfast, not our gold.

-Euripides

The good and the wise lead quiet lives.

-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

We live in the mind, in ideas, in fragments. We no longer drink in the wild outer music of the streets -- we remember only.

-Henry Miller

The world is not to be put in order; the world is order, incarnate. It is for us to harmonize with this order.

-Henry Miller

Life moves on, whether we act as cowards or heroes. Life has no other discipline to impose, if we would but realize it, than to accept life unquestioningly. Everything we shut our eyes to, everything we run away from, everything we deny, denigrate or despise, serves to defeat us in the end. What seems nasty, painful, evil, can become a source of beauty, joy, and strength, if faced with an open mind. Every moment is a golden one for him who has the vision to recognize it as such.

-Henry Miller

Life is constantly providing us with new funds, new resources, even when we are

reduced to immobility. In life's ledger there is no such thing as frozen assets.

-Henry Miller

One can be absolutely truthful and sincere even though admittedly the most outrageous liar. Fiction and invention are of the very fabric of life.

-Henry Miller

The real leader has no need to lead -- he is content to point the way.

-Henry Miller

I see America spreading disaster. I see America as a black curse upon the world. I see a long night settling in and that mushroom which has poisoned the world withering at the roots.

-Henry Miller

What have we achieved in mowing down mountain ranges, harnessing the energy of mighty rivers, or moving whole populations about like chess pieces, if we ourselves remain the same restless, miserable, frustrated creatures we were before? To call such activity progress is utter delusion. We may succeed in altering the face of the earth until it is unrecognizable even to the Creator, but if we are unaffected wherein lies the meaning?

-Henry Miller

No man is great enough or wise enough for any of us to surrender our destiny to. The only way in which anyone can lead us is to restore to us the belief in our own guidance.

-Henry Miller

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Develop interest in life as you see it; in people, things, literature, music -- the world is so rich, simply throbbing with rich treasures, beautiful souls and interesting people. Forget yourself.

-Henry Miller

Any genuine philosophy leads to action and from action back again to wonder, to the enduring fact of mystery.

-Henry Miller

We do not talk -- we bludgeon one another with facts and theories gleaned from cursory readings of newspapers, magazines and digests.

-Henry Miller

Nine-tenths of our sickness can be prevented by right thinking plus right hygiene -- nine-tenths of it!

-Henry Miller

A book is a part of life, a manifestation of life, just as much as a tree or a horse or a star. It obeys its own rhythms, its own laws, whether it be a novel, a play, or a diary. The deep, hidden rhythm of life is always there -- that of the pulse, the heart beat.

-Henry Miller

An artist is always alone -- if he is an artist. No, what the artist needs is loneliness.

-Henry Miller

We have two American flags always: one for the rich and one for the poor. When the rich fly it means that things are under control; when the poor fly it means danger, revolution, anarchy.

-Henry Miller

Life, as it is called, is for most of us one long postponement.

-Henry Miller

One has to be a lowbrow, a bit of a murderer, to be a politician, ready and willing to see people sacrificed, slaughtered, for the sake of an idea, whether a good one or a bad one.

-Henry Miller

The aim of life is to live, and to live means to be aware, joyously, drunkenly, serenely, divinely aware.

-Henry Miller

One's destination is never a place, but rather a new way of looking at things.

-Henry Miller

I have never been able to look upon America as young and vital but rather as prematurely old, as a fruit which rotted before it had a chance to ripen.

-Henry Miller

However rare true love may be, it is less so than true friendship.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

What men have called friendship is only a social arrangement, a mutual adjustment of interests, an interchange of services given and received; it is, in sum, simply a business from which those involved propose to derive a steady profit for their own self-love.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

It is more shameful to distrust our friends than to be deceived by them.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

Self-love is the greatest of all flatterers.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

Funeral pomp is more for the vanity of the living than for the honor of the dead.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

What is called generosity is usually only the vanity of giving; we enjoy the vanity more than the thing given.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

Gracefulness is to the body what understanding is to the mind.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

We are more interested in making others believe we are happy than in trying to be happy ourselves.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

Hope is the last thing that dies in man; and though it be exceedingly deceitful, yet it is of this good use to us, that while we are traveling through life it conducts us in an easier and more pleasant way to our journey's end.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

In jealousy there is more of self-love than love.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

Jealousy contains more of self-love than of love.

-Francois De La Rochefoucauld

In politics the middle way is none at all.

-John Adams

All political parties die at last of swallowing their own lies.

-John Arbuthnot

My deepest feeling about politicians is that they are dangerous lunatics to be avoided when possible and carefully humored; people, above all, to whom one must never tell the truth.

-W. H. Auden

It only takes a politician believing in what he says for the others to stop believing him.

-Jean Baudrillard

Sometimes in politics one must duel with skunks, but no one should be fool enough to allow skunks to choose the weapons.

-Joseph Cannon

Politics is the gentle art of getting votes from the poor and campaign funds from the rich by promising to protect each from the other.

-Oscar Ameringer

Politics is organized hatred, that is unity.

-John Jay Chapman

A politician thinks of the next election. A statesman, of the next generation.

-James Freeman Clarke

A man's vanity tells him what is honor, a man's conscience what is justice.

-Walter Savage Landor

It is not from reason that justice springs, but goodness is born of wisdom.

-Maurice Maeterlinck

Let nothing disturb thee; Let nothing dismay thee; All things pass; God never changes.

Patience attains All that it strives for; He who has God Finds he lacks nothing;

-Source Unknown

There are times in everyone's life when something constructive is born out of adversity... when things seem so bad that you've got to grab your fate by the shoulders and shake it.

-Source Unknown

Nothing bad ever happens without equal or growth

-Source Unknown

No one would ever have crossed the ocean if he could have gotten off the ship in a storm.

-Source Unknown

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

-Source Unknown

The stars are constantly shining, but often we do not see them until the dark hours.

-Source Unknown

When I dig another out of trouble, the hole from which I lift him is the place where I bury my own.

-Source Unknown

Two frogs fell into a bowl of cream. One didn't panic, he relaxed and drowned. The other kicked and struggled so much that the cream turned to butter and he walked out.

-Source Unknown

If one considered life as a simple loan, one would perhaps be less exacting. We possess actually nothing; everything goes through us.

-Eugene Delacroix

Experience has two things to teach. The first is that we must correct a great deal and the second, that we must not correct too much.

-Eugene Delacroix

I live in company with a body, a silent companion, exacting and eternal. He it is who notes that individuality which is the seal of the weakness of our race. My soul has wings, but the brutal jailer is strict.

-Eugene Delacroix

All men by nature desire to know.

-Aristotle

That one I love who is incapable of ill will, and returns love for hatred. Living beyond the reach of I and mind, and of pain and pleasure, full of mercy, contented, self-controlled, with all his heart and all his mind given to Me -- with such a one I am in love.

-Bhagavad Gita

Better indeed is knowledge than mechanical practice. Better than knowledge is meditation. But better still is surrender of attachment to results, because there follows immediate peace.

-Bhagavad Gita

The non permanent appearance of happiness and distress, and their disappearance in due course, are like the appearance and disappearance of summer and winter seasons.

-Bhagavad Gita

Whatever you do, make it an offering to me -- the food you eat, the sacrifices you make, the help you give, even your suffering.

-Bhagavad Gita

When meditation is mastered, the mind is unwavering like the flame of a lamp in a windless place.

-Bhagavad Gita

Still your mind in me, still yourself in me, and without a doubt you shall be united with me, Lord of Love, dwelling in your heart.

-Bhagavad Gita

He is not elevated by good fortune or depressed by bad. His mind is established in God, and he is free from delusion.

-Bhagavad Gita

The subtlety of nature is greater many times over than the subtlety of the senses and understanding.

-Francis Bacon

Nature does nothing uselessly.

-Aristotle

Nature has been for me, for as long as I remember, a source of solace, inspiration, adventure, and delight; a home, a teacher, a companion.

-Lorraine Anderson

I am at two with nature.

-Woody Allen

I look upon all creatures equally; none are less dear to me and none more dear. But those who worship me with love live in me, and I come to life in them.

-Bhagavad Gita

Whenever anyone has offended me, I try to raise my soul so high that the offense cannot reach it.

-Rene Descartes

It is not enough to have a good mind, the main thing is to use it well.

-Rene Descartes

Everything is self-evident.

-Rene Descartes

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.

-Rene Descartes

To know what people really think, pay regard to what they do, rather than what they say.

-Rene Descartes

Divide each difficulty into as many parts as is feasible and necessary to resolve it.

-Rene Descartes

I think therefore I am.

-Rene Descartes

Except our own thoughts, there is nothing absolutely in our power.

-Rene Descartes

The reading of all good books is like a conversation with all the finest men of past centuries.

-Rene Descartes

Morality is not the doctrine of how we may make ourselves happy, but how we may make ourselves worthy of happiness.

-Immanuel Kant

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

-Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

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

-Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

Confidence is the bond of friendship.

-Publilius Syrus

For the friendship of two, the patience of one is required.

-Indian Proverb

There is no stronger bond of friendship than a mutual enemy.

-Frankfort Moore

The ideal friendship is to feel as one while remaining two.

-Anne Sophie Swetchine

Opposition is true friendship.

-William Blake

Love is a friendship caught on fire.

-Northern Exposure

Love is a friendship set to music.

-E. Joseph Cossman

Love comes from blindness, friendship from knowledge.

-Comte De Bussy-Rabutin

Let there be no purpose in friendship save the deepening of the spirit.

-Kahlil Gibran

Only solitary men know the full joys of friendship. Others have their family --but to a solitary and an exile his friends are everything.

-Willa Cather

He whose hand is clasped in friendship cannot throw mud.

-Source Unknown

In politics... shared hatreds are almost always the basis of friendships.

-Alexis De Tocqueville

Friendship without self-interest is one of the rare and beautiful things of life.

-James F. Byrnes

Friendship is the shadow of the evening, which increases with the setting sun of life.

-Jean De La Fontaine

Friendships begun in this world will be taken up again, never to be broken off.

-St. Francis De Sales

I had three chairs in my house; one for solitude, two for friendship, three for society.

-Henry David Thoreau

Youth fades; love droops, the leaves of friendship fall; A mother's secret hope outlives

them all.

-Oliver Wendell Holmes

True friendship is like sound health, the value of it is seldom known until it be lost.

-Charles Caleb Colton

Friendship is a living thing that lasts only as long as it is nourished with kindness, empathy and understanding.

-Source Unknown

The gift of friendship... a willingness to listen... a pair of helping hands... a whisper from the heart. That someone cares and understands.

-Source Unknown

True friendship is a plant of slow growth, and must undergo and withstand the shocks of adversity, before it is entitled to the appellation.

-George Washington

The miracle of friendship can be spoken without words... hearing unspoken needs, recognizing secret dreams, understanding the silent things that only true friend know.

-Source Unknown

Nothing can cure the soul but the senses, just as nothing can cure the senses but the soul.

-Oscar Wilde

Meditation is the life of the soul: Action, the soul of meditation. and honor the reward of action.

-Francis Quarles

A single rose can be my garden... a single friend, my world.

-Leo Buscaglia

Love seeks no cause beyond itself and no fruit; it is its own fruit, its own enjoyment. I love because I love; I love in order that I may love.

-St. Bernard

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

-Erich Fromm

Every mother generally hopes that her daughter will snag a better husband than she managed to do... but she's certain that her boy will never get as great a wife as his

father did.

-Source Unknown

One of life's greatest mysteries is how the boy who wasn't good enough to marry your daughter can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world.

-Jewish Proverb

Where were you... when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons (and daughters) of God shouted for joy? [4-7, Job 38:]

-Bible

Superstition is to religion what astrology is to astronomy; the mad daughter of a wise mother.

-Voltaire

If you would have a good wife, marry one who has been a good daughter.

-Thomas Fuller

Oh my son's my son till he gets him a wife, but my daughter's my daughter all her life.

-Dinah Mulock Craik

My crown is in my heart, not on my head, Nor decked with diamonds and Indian stones,

Nor to be seen: My crown is called content: A crown it is, that seldom kings enjoy.

-William Shakespeare

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

-Louis Pasteur

Every deed and every relationship is surrounded by an atmosphere of silence.

Friendship needs no words -- it is solitude delivered from the anguish of loneliness.

-Dag Hammarskjöld

No place affords a more striking conviction of the vanity of human hopes than a public library.

-Samuel Johnson

My alma mater was books, a good library. I could spend the rest of my life reading, just satisfying my curiosity.

-Malcolm X

Love means the body, the soul, the life, the entire being. We feel love as we feel the warmth of our blood, we breathe love as we breathe air, we hold it in ourselves as we hold our thoughts. Nothing more exists for us.

-Guy de Maupassant

Nothing is more beautiful than the love that has weathered the storms of life. The love of the young for the young, that is the beginning of life. But the love of the old for the old, that is the beginning of things longer.

-Jerome K. Jerome

Life cannot defeat a writer who is in love with writing; for life itself is a writer's love until death.

-Edna Ferber

In my life, I have prayed but one prayer: oh Lord, make my enemies ridiculous. And God granted it.

-Voltaire

The rain may be falling hard outside, But your smile makes it all alright. I'm so glad that you're my friend. I know our friendship will never end.

-Robert Alan

Sings. Hope in every sphere of life is a privilege that attaches to action. No action, no hope.

-Peter Levi

Hope is the companion of power, and mother of success; for who so hopes strongly has within him the gift of miracles.

-Samuel Smiles

Some books leave us free and some books make us free.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

The books that the world calls immoral are the books that show the world its own shame.

-Oscar Wilde

Nine-tenths of the existing books are nonsense and the clever books are the refutation of that nonsense.

-Benjamin Disraeli

Of all the forces that make for a better world, none is so indispensable, none so powerful, as hope. Without hope men are only half alive. With hope they dream and think and work.

-Charles Sawyer

The natural flights of the human mind are not from pleasure to pleasure, but from hope

to hope.

-Samuel Johnson



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