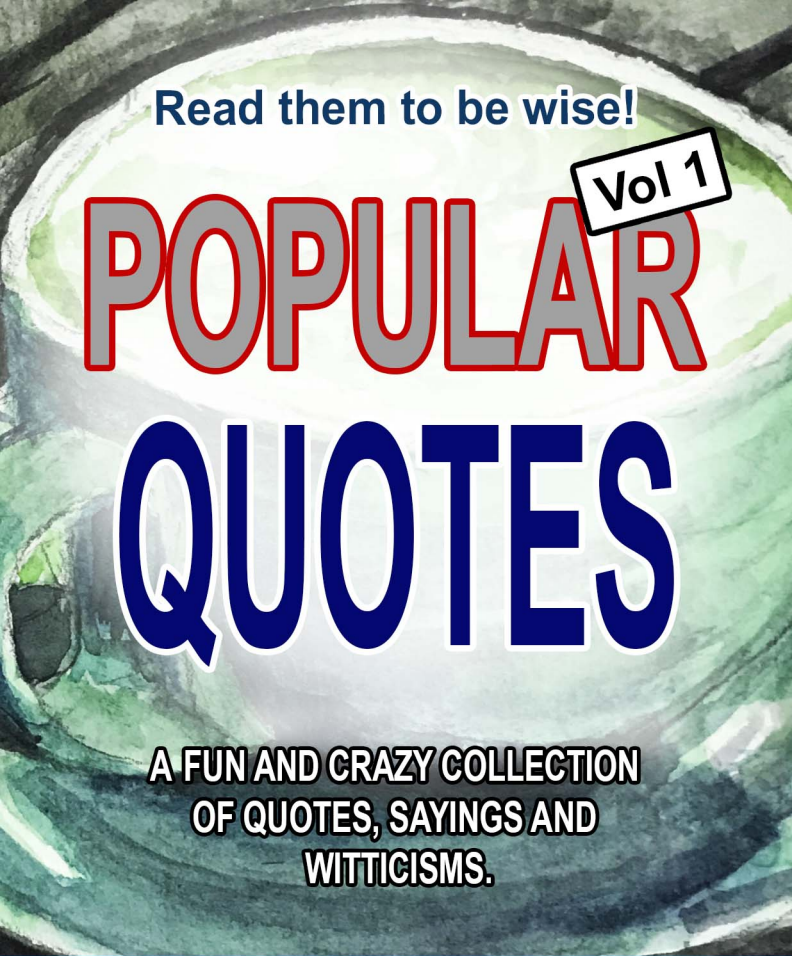




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“The most vital lesson I have ever learned is
the importance of what we think.”
- Dale Carnegie

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Introduction

The following quotes and witticisms come from numerous sources and over many generations.

We chose them for their practical, mystical, political, spiritual, social, or humoristic value... or simply because we think they're cool!

We hope they inspire you as much as they do us, and have included blank pages in the back for you to add some of your own.

ANDREW MURRAY QUOTES

Humility is the only soil in which the graces root. The lack of humility is the sufficient explanation of every defect and failure.

God only asks for that which is His own.

It is the very nature of God to not live for himself, but for His creatures. It is His delight and life to always be giving.

The first duty of a leader is to humbly ask of God that all he wants done in his followers should first be truly and fully done in himself.

The giving up of everything to Jesus, and the receiving of everything from Jesus, are united in one word: surrender.

Tis mine to obey. Tis His to provide.

To surrender is to obey as well as to trust, to trust as well as to obey.

Pride, or the loss of humility is the root of every sin and evil.

Alas! It has been our unfaithfulness, our unbelief, our disobedience, that has kept us from giving ourselves utterly to God.

In Heaven and earth, pride, self exaltation, is the gate and the birth and the curse of hell.

Humility before God is nothing if not proved in humility before men.

There is a difference between gifts and graces. The graces of the Spirit are humility and love, like the humility and love of Christ. The graces of the Spirit are to make a man free from self; the gifts of the Spirit are to fit a man for work.

Humility is nothing but that simple consent of the creature to let God be all.

Humility will be the one standard of glory in Heaven: the lowliest is the nearest to God.

ALBERT EINSTEIN QUOTES

Everything should be kept as simple as possible, but no simpler.

I want to know all God's thoughts; all the rest are just details.

The high destiny of the individual is to serve rather than to rule.

God always takes the simplest way.

My religion consists of a humble admiration of the illimitable superior spirit who reveals himself in the slight details we are able to perceive with our frail and feeble mind.

God does not play dice. He may be subtle, but He is not plain mean.

Never do anything against conscience even if the state demands it.

Never lose a holy curiosity.

Gravitation is not responsible for people falling in love.

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

I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination.

I am not only a pacifist but a militant pacifist. I am willing to fight for peace. Nothing will end war unless the people themselves refuse to go to war.

I believe that a simple and unassuming manner of life is best for everyone, best both for the body and the mind.

I cannot imagine a God who rewards and punishes the objects of his creation and is but a reflection of human frailty.

If A equals success, then the formula is A equals X plus Y plus Z.

X is work.

Y is play.

Z is keeping your mouth shut.

It's not that I'm so smart, it's just that I stay with problems longer.

Knowledge of what is does not open the door directly to what should be.

Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is not to stop questioning.

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

Logic will get you from A to B. Imagination will take you everywhere.

Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.

Love is a better teacher than duty.

Make everything as simple as possible, but not simpler.

Memory is deceptive because it is colored by today's events.

Only two things I know are infinite: the universe, and human stupidity, and I'm not sure about the universe.

Morality is of the highest importance, but for us, not for God.

Learn from the mistakes of others. You can't live long enough to make them all yourself.

JOEL OSTEEN QUOTES

Don't talk about the mountain. Talk TO the mountain!

You can't talk negative, and have a positive life.

If you don't like what you're seeing start planting some different seeds.

Many people don't realize that with their words they're cursing their future.

Stop telling your dreams to small minded people.

Don't ever say, "I don't have the strength. I don't have the looks." Start declaring, "I am anointed. I am equipped. I am empowered."

MARILYN MONROE QUOTES

I'm selfish, impatient and a little insecure. I make mistakes, I am out of control and at times hard to handle. But if you can't handle me at my worst, then you sure as hell don't deserve me at my best.

If you can make a girl laugh, you can make her do anything.

I am good, but not an angel. I do sin, but I am not the devil. I am just a small girl in a big world trying to find someone to love.

If I had observed all the rules, I would never have gotten anywhere.

I believe that everything happens for a reason. People change so that you can learn to let go, things go wrong so that you appreciate them when they're right, you believe lies so you eventually learn to trust no one but (God) yourself, and sometimes good things fall apart so better things can fall together.

It takes a smart brunette to play a dumb blonde.

Imperfection is beauty, madness is genius and it's better to be absolutely ridiculous than absolutely boring.

It's not true I had nothing on. I had the radio on.

OSWALD CHAMBERS QUOTES

If through a broken heart God can bring His purposes to pass in the world, then thank Him for breaking your heart.

We tend to use prayer as a last resort, but God wants it to be our first line of defense. We pray when there's nothing else we can do, but God wants us to pray before we do anything at all.

Most of us would prefer, however, to spend our time doing something that will get immediate results. We don't want to wait for God to resolve matters in His good time because His idea of "good time" is seldom in sync with ours.

Faith never knows where it is being led, but it loves and knows the One who is leading.

Prayer does not fit us for the greater work; prayer is the greater work.

The remarkable thing about God is that when you fear God, you fear nothing else, whereas if you do not fear God, you fear everything else.

God never gives us discernment in order that we may criticize, but that we may intercede.

The whole point of getting things done is knowing what to leave undone.

The golden rule for understanding spiritually is not intellect, but obedience. If a man wants scientific knowledge, intellectual curiosity is his guide, but if he wants insight into what Jesus Christ teaches, he can only get it by obedience.

The author who benefits you most is not the one who tells you something you did not know before, but the one who gives expression to the truth that has been silently struggling in you for utterance.

At times God puts us through the discipline of darkness to teach us to heed Him. Song birds are taught to sing in the dark, and we are put into

the shadow of God's hand until we learn to hear Him.

Watch where God puts you into darkness, and when you are there keep your mouth shut. Are you in the dark just now in your circumstances, or in your life with God? Then remain quiet. When you are in the dark, listen.

The teaching of the Sermon on the Mount is not, "Do your duty," but, "Do what is not your duty." It is not your duty to go the second mile, to turn the other cheek, but Jesus says if we are His disciples we shall always do these things. There will be no spirit of, "Oh, well, I cannot do any more, I have been so misrepresented and misunderstood."

Never look for right in the other man, but never cease to do right yourself. We are always looking for justice. The teaching of the Sermon on the Mount is, "Never look for justice, but never cease to live it."

If sympathy is all that human beings need, then the Cross of Christ is an absurdity and there is absolutely no need for it. What the world needs is not "a little bit of love", but major surgery.

If you think you are helping lost people with your sympathy and understanding, you are a traitor to Jesus Christ. You must have a right standing relationship with Him yourself, and pour your life out in helping others in His way, not in a human way that ignores God.

We are not made for the mountains, for sunrises, or for the other beautiful attractions in life. Those are simply intended to be moments of inspiration. We are made for the valley and the ordinary things of life and that is where we have to prove our stamina and strength.

Don't forget to pray today, because God did not forget to wake you up this morning.

True intercession involves bringing the person, or the circumstance that seems to be crashing in on you, before God, until you are changed by His attitude toward that person or circumstance.

People describe intercession by saying, "It is putting yourself in someone else's place." That is not true! Intercession is putting yourself in God's place; it is having His mind and His perspective.

Naturally, we are inclined to be so mathematical and calculating that we look upon uncertainty as a bad thing. Certainty is the mark of the commonsense life.

To be certain of God means that we are uncertain in all our ways, we do not know what a day may bring forth. This is generally said with a sigh of sadness. It should rather be an expression of breathless expectation.

God does not give us overcoming life. He gives us life as we overcome.

Prayer is the exercise of drawing on the grace of God.

You will never cease to be the most amazed person on earth at what God has done for you on the inside.

What hinders me from hearing is that I am taken up with other things. It is not that I will not hear God, but I am not devoted in the right place. I am devoted to things, to service, to convictions, and God may say what He likes, but I do not hear Him.

Am I as spontaneously kind to God as I used to be, or am I only expecting God to be kind to me? Am I full of the little things that cheer His heart over me, or am I whimpering because of how things are going with me?

When we become advocates of a creed, something dies; we do not believe God, we only believe our belief about Him.

Let the consequences of your obedience be left up to God.

All God's revelations are sealed to us until they are opened to us by obedience. You will never get them open by philosophy or thinking. Immediately you obey, a flash of light comes. Let God's truth work in you by soaking in it, not by worrying into it. Obey God in the thing He is at present showing you, and instantly the next thing is opened up.

The degree of panic activity in my life is equal to the degree of my lack of personal spiritual experience.

Beware of refusing to go to the funeral of your own independence.

Never look for justice in this world, never cease to give it.

The best measure of a spiritual life is not its ecstasies but its obedience.

The voice of the Spirit is as gentle as a breeze, so gentle that unless you are living in perfect communion with God, you never hear it.

We look upon prayer simply as a means of getting things for ourselves, but the biblical purpose of prayer is that we may get to know God Himself.

The yardstick of a saint is God Himself, not estimated usefulness. It is the work that God does through us that counts, not what we do for him.

The whole meaning of prayer is that we may know God.

We have to take the first step as though there were no God. It is no use to wait for God to help us. He will not, but immediately we arise we find He is there.

Take yourself by the scruff of the neck and shake off your incarnate laziness.

When God gets us alone through suffering, heartbreak, temptation, disappointment, sickness, or by thwarted friendship, when He gets us absolutely alone, and we are totally speechless, unable to ask even one question, then He begins to teach us.

Spiritual maturity is not reached by the passing of the years, but by obedience to the will of God. Some people mature into an understanding of God's will more quickly than others because they obey more readily; they more readily sacrifice their natural man to the will of God.

To say that "prayer changes things" is not as close to the truth as saying, "prayer changes me and then I change things." God has established

things so that prayer, on the basis of redemption, changes the way a person looks at things.

Jesus never measured His life by how or where He was of the greatest use. God places His saints where they will bring the most glory to Him, and we are totally incapable of judging where that may be.

It never cost a disciple anything to follow Jesus. To talk about cost when you are in love with someone is an insult.

God is not preparing you for anything; obedience is its own end in the purpose of God. Be faithful to Him.

If you are faced with the question of whether or not to surrender, make a determination to go on through the crisis, surrendering all that you have and all that you are to Him. And God will then equip you to do all that He requires of you.

You cannot have a moral holiday and remain moral, nor can you have a spiritual holiday and

remain spiritual. God wants you to be entirely His, and this means that you have to watch to keep yourself fit. It takes a tremendous amount of time.

Get into the habit of saying, “Speak, Lord,” and life will become a romance.

Conceit makes the way God deals with me personally the binding standard for others.

A man may betray Jesus Christ by speaking too many words, and he may betray him through keeping his mouth shut.

Emotion is life lived at white-heat, a state of wonder. To lose wonder is to lose the true element of religion.

We are blind to the very things that make for our own peace.

Your god may be your little Christian habit, the habit of prayer or Bible reading at certain times of your day. Watch how your Father will upset

your schedule if you begin to worship your habit instead of what the habit symbolizes. We say, “I can’t do that right now; this is my time alone with God.” No, this is your time alone with your habit.

The most important aspect of Christianity is not the work we do, but the relationship we maintain and the surrounding influence and qualities produced by that relationship. That is all God asks us to give our attention to, and it is the one thing that is continually under attack.

GENERAL PATTON QUOTES

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

Courage is fear holding on a minute longer.

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

A pint of sweat will save a gallon of blood.

A good plan, violently executed now, is better than a perfect plan next week.

By perseverance, study, and eternal desire, any man can become great.

Do everything you ask of those you command.

Do more than is required of you.

Fixed fortifications are monuments to man's stupidity.

Good tactics can save even the worst strategy. Bad tactics will destroy even the best strategy.

I always believe in being prepared, even when I'm dressed in white tie and tails.

I am a soldier, I fight where I am told, and I win where I fight.

If everybody is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking.

If I do my full duty, the rest will take care of itself.

In case of doubt, attack.

It's the unconquerable soul of man, not the nature of the weapon he uses, that insures victory.

Lead me, follow me, or get out of my way.

Live for something rather than die for nothing.

May God have mercy upon my enemies, because I won't.

Moral courage is the most valuable and usually the most absent characteristic in men.

Never let the enemy pick the battle site.

No good decision was ever made in a swivel chair.

Say what you mean and mean what you say.

Success is how you bounce on the bottom.

The leader must be an actor.

The soldier is the army.

There is only one type of discipline, perfect discipline.

You're never beaten until you admit it.

You shouldn't underestimate an enemy, but it is just as fatal to overestimate him.

Attack rapidly, ruthlessly, viciously, without rest, however tired and hungry you may be, the enemy will be more tired, more hungry. Keep punching.

In landing operations, retreat is impossible, to surrender is as ignoble as it is foolish. Above all else remember that we as attackers have the initiative, we know exactly what we are going to do, while the enemy is ignorant of our intentions and can only parry our blows. We must retain this tremendous advantage by always attacking rapidly, ruthlessly, viciously, and without rest.

An army is a team; it lives, sleeps, eats, fights as a team. This individual heroic stuff is a lot of crap.

No sane man is unafraid in battle, but discipline produces in him a form of vicarious courage.

A man must know his destiny. If he does not recognize it, then he is lost. By this I mean, once, twice, or at the very most, three times, fate will reach out and tap a man on the shoulder. If he has the imagination, he will turn around and fate will point out to him what fork in the road he should take, if he has the guts, he will take it.

In war the only sure defense is offense, and the efficiency of the offense depends on the warlike souls of those conducting it.

Never tell people how to do things. Tell them what to do and they will surprise you with their ingenuity.

An incessant change of means to attain unalterable ends is always going on. We must take care not to let these sundry means undo eminence in the perspective of our minds, for since the beginning, there has been an unending cycle of them, and for each its advocates have claimed adoption as the sole solution of successful war.

Wars might be fought with weapons, but they are won by men. It is the spirit of the man who leads that gains the victory.

The obvious thing for the cavalryman to do is to accept the fighting machine as a partner, and prepare to meet more fully the demands of future warfare.

Untutored courage is useless in the face of educated bullets.

Many soldiers are led to faulty ideas of war by knowing too much about too little.

WINSTON CHURCHILL QUOTES

The power of man has grown in every sphere, except over himself.

For myself I am an optimist. It does not seem to be much use being anything else.

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

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 gong, these are the features which constitute the endless repetition of history.

We are masters of the unsaid words, but slaves of those we let slip out.

We are stripped bare by the curse of plenty.

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak. Courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

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

Writing a book is an adventure. To begin with, it is a toy and an amusement; then it becomes a mistress, and then it becomes a master, and then a tyrant.

The last phase is that just as you are about to be reconciled to your servitude, you kill the monster, and fling him out to the public.

If the human race wishes to have a prolonged and indefinite period of material prosperity, they have only got to behave in a peaceful and helpful way toward one another.

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

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

An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile hoping it will eat him last.

Never hold discussions with the monkey when the organ grinder is in the room.

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

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

I pass with relief from the tossing sea of cause and theory, to the firm ground of result and fact.

Experts should be on tap but never on top.

The empires of the future are the empires of the mind.

A cat will look down to a man. A dog will look up to a man. But a pig will look you straight in the eye and see his equal.

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

Always remember that I have taken more out of alcohol than alcohol has taken out of me.

Censure is often useful, praise is often deceitful.

Battles are won by slaughter and maneuver. The greater the general, the more he contributes in maneuver, the less he demands in slaughter.

Sure I am of this, that you have only to endure to conquer.

The first quality that is needed is audacity.

However beautiful the strategy, you should occasionally look at the results.

Success is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm.

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

Courage is going from failure to failure without losing enthusiasm.

My tastes are simple: I am easily satisfied with the best.

QUOTES ON BOATS & THE SEA

Have fun, and above all, keep those cruising plans rigidly etched in jello.

He that would learn to pray let him go to sea.
- George Herbert

Waiting for weather, the name of the game.

Once you are prepared to go to sea on short notice, once “the sea” isn’t considered the danger but the ultimate objective, everything changes.

For the sea is safety to an experienced sailor, not the land.

Land is a false mistress.

A house is just a badly designed boat.

There is nothing, absolutely nothing, half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats, or with boats.

In or out of ‘em, it doesn’t matter. Nothing seems really to matter, that’s the charm of it.

Whether you get away, or whether you don’t; whether you arrive at your destination or whether you reach somewhere else, or whether you never get anywhere at all, you’re always busy, and you never do anything in particular; and when you’ve done it there’s always something else to do, and you can do it if you like, but you’d much better not.

Mine was not the sort of life to make one long to coil up one's ropes on land, the customs and ways of which I had finally almost forgotten.

- Joshua Slocum

Ships are the nearest thing to dreams that hands have ever made.

You'll never discover new oceans to revel in, as long as you are afraid of losing sight of the shore.

Never a ship sails out of the bay, but carries my heart as a stowaway.

Land was created to provide a place for boats to visit.

Anyone can hold the helm while the sea is calm.

O'er the glad waters of the dark blue sea, our thoughts are boundless, and our souls are free.

There is but a plank, between a sailor and
Eternity.

I don't know who called them swells. There's
nothing swell about them. They should have
named them awfuls.

Wind is to us what money is to life on shore.

The perfection of a yacht's beauty is that
nothing should be there for only beauty's sake.

The approaching storm turns the surface of
the sea to steel and silver. Only danger reflects
clearly from such a mirror.

The pleasures of being becalmed had been
worn threadbare. There is a limit to untutored
stargazing.

I no longer had the sensation of traveling but
a feeling of living an isolated life on an island 36
feet long.

The ship, a fragment detached from the earth, went on lonely and swift like a small planet.

Each boat seems to contain a personality which manifests itself in the way she takes a sea.

They were all fine sailing days, but unfortunately they were ideal only for sailing in the wrong direction.

There is no such thing as bad weather, only bad clothes.

It is remarkable how quickly a good and favorable wind can sweep away the maddening frustrations of shore living.

The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails.

Up that rigging, you monkeys. Break out those sails and let them fill with the wind to carry us all to freedom.

The sea hates a coward.

The water was as unfathomable as the black holes between the stars at night.

Most of us, I suppose, are a little nervous of the sea. No matter what its smiles may be, we doubt its friendship.

A ship is always referred to as “she” because it costs so much to keep her in paint and powder.
- Admiral Chester Nimitz

The ocean, whose tides respond, like women’s menses, to the pull of the moon, the ocean which corresponds to the amniotic fluid in which human life begins, the ocean on whose surface vessels (personified as female) can ride but in whose depth sailors meet their death and monsters conceal themselves... It is unstable and threatening as the earth is not. It spawns new life daily, yet swallows up lives. It is changeable like the moon, unregulated, yet indestructible and eternal.
- Adrienne Rich

I have known the sea too long to believe in its respect for decency.

The sea, washing the equator and the poles, offers its perilous aid, and the power and empire that follow it. "Beware of me," it says, "but if you can hold me, I am the key to all the lands."

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

There is hope from the sea, but none from the grave.

- Irish Proverb

Those who live by the sea can hardly form a single thought of which the sea would not be part.

- Hermann Broch

There is nothing so desperately monotonous as the sea, and I no longer wonder at the cruelty of pirates.

- James Russell Lowell

There is something about going to sea. A little bit of discipline, self discipline and humility are required.

- Prince Andrew

The wonder is always new that any sane man
can be a sailor. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

There is nothing more enticing,
disenchanted, and enslaving than the life at sea.
- Joseph Conrad

QUOTES ON INTEGRITY

Integrity is not a conditional word. It doesn't
blow in the wind or change with the weather. It
is your inner image of yourself, and if you look
in there and see a man who won't cheat, then you
know he never will. - John D. MacDonald

Honesty and integrity are absolutely
essential for success in life, all areas of life. The
really good news is that anyone can develop both
honesty and integrity. - Zig Ziglar

Nothing more completely baffles one who is
full of trick and duplicity, than straightforward and
simple integrity in another.
- Charles Caleb Colton

The high road is always respected. Honesty and integrity are always rewarded.

- Scott Hamilton

We learned about honesty and integrity, that the truth matters, that you don't take shortcuts or play by your own set of rules, and success doesn't count unless you earn it fair and square.

- Michelle Obama

Tragedy in life normally comes with betrayal and compromise, and trading on your integrity and not having dignity in life. That's really where failure comes.

- Tom Cochrane

The time you spend alone with God will transform your character and increase your devotion. Then your integrity and godly behavior in an unbelieving world will make others long to know the Lord.

- Charles Stanley

A mode of conduct, a standard of courage, discipline, fortitude and integrity can do a great deal to make a woman beautiful.

- Jacqueline Bisset

The foundation stones for a balanced success are honesty, character, integrity, faith, love and loyalty.

- Zig Ziglar

Live so that when your children think of fairness, caring, and integrity, they think of you.

- H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity. Without it, no real success is possible, no matter whether it is on a section gang, a football field, in an army, or in an office.

- Dwight D. Eisenhower

Have the courage to say no. Have the courage to face the truth. Do the right thing because it is right. These are the magic keys to living your life with integrity.

- W. Clement Stone

If you don't have integrity, you have nothing. You can't buy it. You can have all the money in the world, but if you are not a moral and ethical person, you really have nothing.

- Henry Kravis

QUOTES ON DREAMS

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them. - Walt Disney

Dream as if you'll live forever. Live as if you'll die today. - James Dean

If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with success unexpected in common hours. - Henry David Thoreau

A dream doesn't become reality through magic; it takes sweat, determination, and hard work. - Colin Powell

Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world. - Harriet Tubman

Dreams are today's answers to tomorrow's questions. - Edgar Cayce

To accomplish great things, we must not only act, but also dream; not only plan, but also believe. - Anatole France

QUOTES ON A SENSE OF HUMOR

A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon without springs. It's jolted by every pebble on the road. - Henry Ward Beecher

I think the scariest person in the world is the person with no sense of humor. - Michael J. Fox

One of the things that binds us as a family is a shared sense of humor. - Ralph Fiennes

A sense of humor is needed armor. Joy in one's heart and some laughter on one's lips is a sign that the person down deep has a pretty good grasp of life. - Hugh Sidey

Imagination was given to man to compensate him for what he is not; a sense of humor to console him for what he is. - Francis Bacon

A well developed sense of humor is the pole that adds balance to your steps as you walk the tightrope of life. - William Arthur Ward

Having a sense of humor has served me more than it has hurt me, in the sense that it has allowed me to keep my sanity. - Dee Dee Myers

Lighten up. Everyone serves as inventory to all sorts of entities, from governments to maggots. No one leaves this world uneaten. - Unknown

A taste for irony has kept more hearts from breaking than a sense of humor, for it takes irony to appreciate the joke which is on oneself. - Jessamyn West

The problem with having a sense of humor is often that people you use it on aren't in a very good mood. - Lou Holtz

A woman has to be intelligent, have charm, a sense of humor, and be kind. It's the same qualities I require from a man. - Catherine Deneuve

Being a hot mom means being respected as a mom and a woman. And, the key to being a hot mom is having a sense of humor about yourself and all the crazy situations that arise.

- Jami Gertz

A sense of humor keen enough to show a man his own absurdities will keep him from the commission of all sins, or nearly all, save those worth committing.

- Samuel Butler

If you could choose one characteristic that would get you through life, choose a sense of humor.

- Jennifer Jones

I love poking fun at myself. I have a rather mean sense of humor.

- Alton Brown

A sense of humor is good for you. Have you ever heard of a laughing hyena with heart burn?

- Bob Hope

I don't understand how somebody wouldn't have a sense of humor about themselves.

- John Malkovich

It's good to be able to laugh at yourself and the problems you face in life. A sense of humor can save you.

- Margaret Cho

I think people are sexy when they have a sense of humor, when they are smart, when they have some sense of style, when they are kind, when they express their own opinions, when they are creative, when they have character.

- Suzanne Vega

I could not tread these perilous paths in safety, if I did not keep a saving sense of humor.

- Horatio Nelson

As I get older, my sense of humor is my biggest asset.

- David Alan Grier

I consider myself to have a decent sense of humor. What's life without a sense of humor?

- Mayer Hawthorne

It is the ability to take a joke, not make one, that proves you have a sense of humor.

- Max Eastman

If you have a sense of humor about it, no one can bring you down.
- Zac Efron

QUOTES ON MAGIC

Magic is the theatrical art of creating the illusion of impossibility an entertaining way.
- Charles Reynolds

Sometimes magic is just spending more time on something than anyone would reasonably expect.
- Teller

There is a world of difference between a spectator's not knowing how something's done versus his knowing that it can't be done.

The essence of magic is "doing the impossible." The "doing" is accomplished by the performer, but the "impossible" must ultimately be supplied by the audience. The illusion of impossibility.

A magician's paramount goal is to manipulate the spectator's mind and senses to bring about this state of impossibility.
- Simon Aronson

The experience of astonishment is the experience of a clear, primal state of mind that they associate with a child's state of mind.

Astonishment is not an emotion that's created. It's an existing state that's revealed.

When the experience of astonishment starts to be recognized as a highly valued destination, the win/lose magician vs. spectator game starts to dissolve. Suddenly you're both on the same team, equally responsible for getting the most out of the moment.

The tricks are simply tools to help unleash the moment.

- Paul Harris

Make no small plans, for they have no magic to inspire the hearts of men.

- Daniel Burnham

QUOTES ON FORGIVENESS

It is just as necessary to forgive ourselves as it is to forgive others, and the principal reason why forgiveness seems so difficult is because we have neglected to forgive ourselves.

- Christian D. Larson

As long as you don't forgive, who and whatever it is will occupy rent free space in your mind.

- Isabelle Holland

One forgives to the degree that one loves.

- Francois de La Rochefoucauld

Forgiveness is not an occasional act: it is an attitude.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

We cannot love unless we have accepted forgiveness, and the deeper our experience of forgiveness is, the greater is our love.

- Paul Tillich

The moment that one sincerely and freely forgives another, something wonderful and good happens to both the forgiver and the forgiven. The capacity for both to love one another is increased and strengthened.

- Arly Prior

You don't have to accept the invitation to get angry. Instead, practice forgiveness, empathy and encouragement.

- Dan Fallon

The art of being yourself at your best is the art of unfolding your personality into the person you want to be. Be gentle with yourself, learn to love yourself, to forgive yourself, for only as we have the right attitude toward ourselves can we have the right attitude toward others.

- Wilfred Peterson

To err is human, to forgive, divine.

- Alexander Pope

Here is a mental treatment guaranteed to cure every ill that flesh is heir to: sit for half an hour every night and mentally forgive everyone against whom you have any ill will or antipathy.

- Charles Fillmore

Forgiveness is the key to action and freedom.

- Hannah Arendt

The forgiving state of mind is a magnetic power for attracting good

- Catherine Ponder

To understand all is to forgive all.

- French Proverb

Forgiveness is not something you do for someone else, but to free YOURSELF from the continuation of pain and anger. It is a gift to your peace of mind, your self esteem, your relationships with others, your future. - Kenneth Cloke

We must develop and maintain the capacity to forgive. He who is devoid of the power to forgive is devoid of the power to love. There is some good in the worst of us and some evil in the best of us. - Martin Luther King, Jr.

QUOTES ON HUMILITY

The egotist is an “I” specialist.

A man who is truly great doesn't have to prove it; & if he isn't great, trying to prove it will do no good.

The man who has a right to boast doesn't have to.

Remember, whenever you're praised to the

sky, it's best to keep your feet on the ground.

A proud man is seldom a grateful man, for he never thinks he gets as much as he deserves.

A person interrupts & endangers his climb up the ladder of success when he stops to pat himself on the back.

No garment is more becoming to a Christian than the cloak of humility.

A man who is self-centered is off-centered.

A fault which humbles a man is of more use to him than a good action which puffs him up.

The best way to be right or wrong is humbly.

Humility makes a man feel smaller as he becomes greater.

The more praise a man is willing to take, the less he deserves it.

When a man gets too big for his “britches”, his hat doesn’t fit either.

Psychiatrists tell us that conceit is a disease. It’s a mighty strange ailment; the victim usually feels all right, but it makes his associates sick.

If you are willing to admit you are all wrong when you are ALL wrong, you are all right!

Winston Churchill was stopped by a woman who said to him: “Doesn’t it thrill you, Mr. Churchill, to know that every time you make a speech the hall is packed to overflowing?”

“It is quite flattering,” he replied. “But whenever I feel this way I always remember that if, instead of making a political speech, I was being hanged, the crowd would be TWICE as big!”

The first test of whether a man is truly great is an examination of his humility.

The man who is too big for a small job, is too small for a big job.

Give some people an inch & they think they are rulers.

The beginning of greatness is to be little. The increase of greatness is to be less. The perfection of greatness is to be nothing. - D. L. Moody

No man can really at one & the same time call attention to himself & glorify Christ.

Real love is humility & people can neither accept love nor give it without humility!

It takes humility, childlikeness, simpleness & honesty to confess your needs

The Lord has to let you see that He's even in control of your mistakes & sometimes He has to let you fail to keep you humble.

God creates out of nothing. Therefore, until a man is nothing, God can make nothing out of him. - Martin Luther

It's good for you to make a mistake, it keeps you humble!

If you would be open & honest & confess your failures, it would remove so many tensions, so much of what they call stress & apprehension.

Fear & pride are what's killing the World today! "Men's hearts failing them for fear!" (Luk.21:26) They talk about people having & dying from heart trouble & high blood pressure, it's all fear!

The Bible just calls it a plain & simple little four letter word for what it is, fear! And the other one's a five letter word that caused all the trouble in the first place, pride!

Many of us have trouble taking correction, although we all know that we need it & deserve it. I guess it's not only because we don't like to acknowledge that we were wrong, but also because accepting correction means that we're submitting to the person who's correcting us, & submission is pretty hard!

God is not out to hurt our pride; He is out to kill it.

You'll probably never get a complete permanent victory over pride, because pride is something which we all have to constantly fight against, but you can get a victory to where it doesn't have such a hold or grip on you!

The fellow who is too deeply in love with himself ought to get a divorce.

Some people grow under responsibility, while others only swell.

When you try to make an impression, that is precisely the impression you make.

Oftentimes the man who most desperately needs help is unwilling to admit he has a need.

Success makes failures out of too many people.

It is when we forget ourselves that we do things that are most likely to be remembered.

You're never going to get anywhere if you think you're already there.

If we learned humility it might spare us humiliation.

The best way to see divine light is to put out thine own candle.

Do you wish men to speak well of you?
Then never speak well of yourself. - Pascual

The lowest parts of the land are warm & fertile; & lofty mountains are cold & barren.
- Spiros Zodhiates

Although disciples are to be seen doing good works, they must not do good works in order to be seen.

Humility is one of the chief of all the Christian virtues. It is the hallmark of the child of God.

In order to make us trust Him, God works hard to make us lose trust in ourselves.

A lion in God's cause must be a lamb in his own.

He who will not be counseled cannot be helped.

The fellow who does things that count doesn't usually stop to count them.

Those travelling the highway of humility won't be bothered by any heavy traffic.

Pride is a denial of dependence upon God.

A song that never gets an encore is when you sing your own praises.

The test of any man's character is how he takes praise.

The person who is all wrapped up in himself is overdressed.

As the chest swells, the brain & the heart shrink.

God never intended for us to pat ourselves on the back. If He had, our hinges would be different.

People who talk about things they can't afford often forget to include pride, envy & malice.

There are some people who would rather be the head of nothing than the tail of something.

Pride hides a man's faults to himself & magnifies them to everyone else.

The essence of sin is arrogance. The essence of Salvation is submission.

Flattery is like perfume: you're supposed to smell it, not swallow it.

A pompous, inflated Congressman once remarked to Horace Greeley: “I am a self-made man.”

To which Greeley replied, “Well, Sir, that relieves the Almighty of a great responsibility.”

There is nothing that human pride resents so much as to be rebuked.

The man who thinks he is too big for a little place is too little for a big place.

Pride is the idolatrous worship of ourselves, & that is the national religion of Hell.

- Alan Redpath

It is better to grow in grace than gifts.

The Lord would give us great things if only He could trust us not to steal the glory for ourselves.

The cure of boasting is to boast in the Lord all the day long.

If you lay yourself at Christ's feet He will take you into His arms.

Nothing sets a person so much out of the Devil's reach as humility

God can only fill valleys, not mountains.

There is only one endeavor in which you can start at the top & that's digging a hole!

The person with true humility never has to be shown his place. He is always in it.

MISCELLANEOUS QUOTES

As we get older we don't need to be taught as much as we need to be reminded.

- Unknown

Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage.

- Richard Lovelace

A man is literally what he thinks. Whether you think you can or think you can't, you are right.
- Henry Ford

What the superior man seeks is in himself.
What the small man seeks is in others.
- Confucius

Success is never final, and failure is never fatal. It's courage that counts.
- Winston Churchill

Smells are surer than sounds or sights to make your heart strings crack.
- Kipling

It's only a naive little domestic Burgundy without any breeding, but I think you'll be amused by it's presumption.
- James Thurber

Remembering that I'll be dead soon is the most important tool I've ever encountered to help me make the big choices in life.

Because almost everything: all external expectations, all pride, all fear of embarrassment or failure, these things just fall away in the face of

death, leaving only what is truly important.

Remembering that you are going to die is the best way I know to avoid the trap of thinking you have something to lose.

You are already naked. There is no reason not to follow your heart. - Steve Jobs

You'll never know the true power of love until you learn the true power of surrender. - Unknown

Ask God to enlarge your vision, to show you how much more He has for you beyond what you have ever seen, or felt, or heard, or known. It's there, but He's waiting for you! - Unknown

If you don't know where you are going, you will probably end up somewhere else. - Yogi Berra

God never puts a man in a space too small to grow in. - Unknown

Failure to hit the bull's eye is never the fault of the target. - Unknown

A great deal of what you see depends on
what you are looking for. - Unknown

Don't go their way; get them to come your
way! - Unknown

Everything God shows you always works
out. - Unknown

If you have built your castles in the air, your
work need not be lost. That is where they should
be. Now put the foundations under them.
- Henry David Thoreau

We've got a lot to be thankful for, but we've
still got a lot to do! - Unknown

Those who's look is fixed high cannot live
low. - Unknown

Aim for the top. There is plenty of room
there. There are so few at the top it is almost
lonely. - Samuel Insull

Always attack each challenge not with why
we can't, but how we can. - Unknown

It just takes one little glimpse of Jesus to
make it worth it all. - Unknown

Keep your hopes high no matter how low
you feel. - Unknown

It doesn't matter where you come from if you
aren't going somewhere. - Unknown

Only he who attempts the ridiculous can
achieve the impossible. - Albert Einstein

If you aim at nothing, you're sure to hit it.
- Unknown

The man who walks with God always gets to
his destination. - Unknown

Why piddle around in puddles when there
are oceans to swim in and all space to revel in?
- Unknown

No one could make a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do only a little.
- Unknown

If God be your partner, make your plans large.
- Unknown

The poorest man is not he who is without a cent, but he who is without a dream.
- Harry Kemp

Anybody who thinks the sky is the limit has no imagination.
- Unknown

The Lord will always supply all that we need, and if He doesn't it's because we're spending more time than we need to spend on something that's not paying.
- Unknown

The Lord doesn't mind your being beautiful and having nice things and a good time and enjoying life, as long as you continue His work and help others and don't neglect the Lord, the word, your prayer life, your devotions, and all the things that you need to do.
- Unknown

It is a funny thing about life, if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it.
- Somerset Maugham

Having faith in yourself means having faith in the Lord in you.
- Unknown

The time is always right to do what is right.
- Martin Luther King Jr.

Being miserable is a habit. Being happy is a habit. And the choice is yours.
- Tom Hopkins

Power in the Christian life depends upon our communication with the Source of power.
- Unknown

The hottest places in hell are reserved for those, who in times of moral crisis, do nothing.
- Dante Alighieri

For fast acting relief, try slowing down.
- Lily Tomlin

In the long run the pessimist may be proved right, but the optimist has a better time on the trip.
- Unknown

Decide the friends, mentors & leaders you want in your life, in your inner circle, and court them with emotional generosity. Make it matter.
- Gary W. Goldstein

If I had not been in prison, I would not have been able to achieve the most difficult task in life, and that is, changing myself.
- Nelson Mandela

If you are not moving forward, then you are moving backward.
- Unknown

Talent is cheaper than table salt. What separates the talented individual from the successful one is a lot of hard work.
- Stephen King

Being deeply loved by someone gives you strength, while loving someone deeply gives you courage.
- Lao Tzu

Nothing will ever be attempted, if all possible objections must first be overcome.

- Unknown

Live in the active voice, rather than in the passive. Think more about what you make happen, than what is happening to you.

- William De Witt Hyde

You are here in order to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, with a fine spirit of hope of achievement.

You are here to enrich the world and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand.

- Woodrow Wilson

In order to be a realist you must believe in miracles.

- David Ben Gurion

We don't see things as they are, we see them as we are.

- Anais Nin

Women and cats will do as they please, and men and dogs should relax and get used to the idea.

- Robert A. Heinlein

If you could kick the person in the pants responsible for most of your trouble, you wouldn't sit for a month.

- Theodore Roosevelt

People are unreasonable, illogical, and self centered. Love them anyway.

If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives. Do good anyway.

If you are successful, you will win false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway.

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable. Be honest and frank anyway.

The good you do today will be forgotten tomorrow. Do good anyway.

The biggest people with the biggest ideas can be shot down by the smallest people with the smallest minds. Think big anyway.

People favor underdogs but follow only top dogs. Fight for some underdogs anyway.

What you spend years building may be destroyed overnight. Build anyway.

Doing the right thing anyway, in spite of opposition or your own feelings, is the making of great men and women; it's the path to success.

- Mother Teresa

Someone's sitting in the shade today because someone planted a tree a long time ago.

- Warren Buffet

Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none.

- William Shakespeare

An ounce of performance is worth a pound of promises.

- Mae West

We have committed the Golden Rule to memory. Let us now commit it to life.

- Edwin Markham

Flexibility, openness and willingness to change and improve is a vital part of maintaining overall stability.

Stability doesn't equal a lack of change. Instead, stability equals flexibility according to the need, faithfulness and consistency in the areas where it's called for. And above all, willingness to do My will, whether that means change or not.

Experience is what enables you to make a different mistake the next time.

- Unknown

Let me remind you that every day is an end in itself. We get so preoccupied with progress and responsibility, with getting somewhere and doing something, and we never somehow do catch up with the fact that we are here to live each day to the full as an end in itself. - Robert Thurman

The question for each man is not what he would do if he had the means, time, influence and educational advantages, but what he will do with the things he has. - Frank Hamilton

The outcome of all battles is determined first in your mind, for this is where your will is set. - Unknown

There are two freedoms: the false where one is free to do what he likes, and the true where he is free to do what he ought. - Charles Kingsley

The key of perspective will sweep away anything around us or in our spiritual space that is cluttering up our vision. - Unknown

Success is nothing more than a few simple disciplines, practiced every day; while failure is simply a few errors in judgment, repeated every day.

It is the cumulative weight of our disciplines and our judgments that leads us to either fortune or failure.

- Unknown

Be quiet enough to hear God's whisper.

- Unknown

It is easier to do a job right than to explain why you didn't.

- Unknown

The more of Heaven we cherish, the less of Earth we covet.

- Unknown

Either you run the day or the day runs you.

- Jim Rohn

A hero is an ordinary individual who finds the strength to persevere and endure in spite of overwhelming obstacles.

- Christopher Reeve

Weak men wait for opportunities; strong men make them. - Unknown

Choose to be a love finder rather than a fault finder. - Unknown

Just a little longer and we'll see the reward of holding on and fighting by faith, and great will be the reward of our faith if we refuse to let go.

We'll receive great things on this earth. We don't have to wait to get to heaven. - Unknown

You cannot take the mild approach to the weeds in your mental garden. You have got to hate weeds enough to kill them. Weeds are not just something you handle. Weeds are something you destroy. - Unknown

Through speaking faith and through praising Me you open the door for miracles. Praise is the voice of faith, because you are letting it be known that you believe I will work everything out.

Praise connects you to Me in the spirit. It summons My attention, and solidifies our connection.

Complexity is merely simplicity put together. - Unknown

How strange that we should ever insist on walking in our own strength and depending on our own wisdom when we can have God's power and riches and can be linked up with everything God is and has. - Unknown

Pretend that every single person you meet has a sign around his or her neck that says, "Make me feel important."

Not only will you succeed in sales, you will succeed in life. - Mary Kay Ash

Change is not made without inconvenience. It costs to change! At first it costs more than it saves. - Unknown

If you can't make it better, you can laugh at it. - Erma Bombeck

It's only those who are humble, who have a vacuum, and who are desperate for God's help that He can fill and give the help to. - Unknown

If we would venture more upon the naked promise of God, we should enter a world of wonders to which as yet we are strangers.

Never be afraid to trust an unknown future to a known God. Launch out by faith & let the winds of God's will take you to new horizons.

- Unknown

Prayer is your greatest protection against the attacks of the Enemy and your greatest key to victory and the blessings of My Spirit.

Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God and say in thine heart, "My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth."

(Deu. 8:11,17)

No one rises to low expectations.

- Les Brown

The real religion of the world comes from women much more than from men, from mothers most of all, who carry the key of our souls in their bosoms.

- Oliver Wendell Holmes

It's not just words. Words are real things.
Words are spirit, and spirits are attached to words.
You receive spirit helpers by what you say or don't say.

If you use foul language you invite foul imps and spirits around you. If you praise, you receive strong and protective spirit helpers. - Unknown

When you're hardest hit, don't quit.
- Unknown

Energy and persistence conquer all things.
- Benjamin Franklin

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 alone are omnipotent.
- Calvin Coolidge

Great opportunities come to those who make the most of small ones.
- Unknown

What are you waiting for? Come and claim
what is rightfully yours. - Unknown

Always remember that striving and struggle
precede success, even in the dictionary.
- Unknown

When I pray, coincidences happen. When I
stop, they don't. - Mother Teresa

Generosity is a principle, not an amount.
- Unknown

Help me to admit when I'm wrong, and
make me easier to live with when I'm right.
- Unknown

Life is tough. It's even tougher when you are
stupid. - John Wayne

There is a lot to be said for patience. In time
even an egg will walk. - Unknown

I failed my way to success. - Thomas Edison

There is no power on earth that can neutralize the influence of a high, pure, simple and useful life.

- Booker T. Washington

He that cannot obey, cannot command.

- Benjamin Franklin

Love melts. It doesn't break.

- Unknown

Either write something worth reading, or do something worth writing about.

- Benjamin Franklin

There is nothing impossible to him who will try.

- Alexander the Great

Efforts and courage are not enough without purpose and direction.

- John F. Kennedy

The whole problem with the world is that fools and fanatics are always so certain of themselves, and wiser people so full of doubts.

- Bertrand Russell

The greatest obstacle to discovery is not ignorance; it is the illusion of knowledge.

- Unknown

Can't is the cancer of happen. - Unknown

Think what others ought to be like, then start being like that yourself. - Unknown

If you wish others to believe in you, you must first convince them that you believe in them.

- Harvey Mackay

With ordinary talent and extraordinary perseverance, all things are attainable.

- Sir Thomas Buxton

Perfection is achieved, not when there is nothing more to add, but when there is nothing left to take away.

- Antoine de Saint-Exupery

People will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.

- Maya Angelou

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

Success is not so much what we have as it is
what we are. - Jim Rohn

In bed her heavy resilient hair,
a living sensor, like a sachet
released it's animal perfume.
And from discarded underclothes
still fervent with her sacred body's form,
there rose a scent of fur.

Des ses cheveux élastiques et lourds,
Vivant sachet, en censoir de l'alcôve,
Une senteur montait, sauvage et fauve,
Et des habits, mousseline ou velours,
Touts imprégnés de sa jeunesse pure,
Se dégageait un parfum de fourrure.
 - Baudelaire

Nearly all men can stand adversity, but
if you want to test a man's character, give him
power. - Abraham Lincoln

A wise man gets more use from his enemies than a fool from his friends. - Baltasar Gracian

Blessed is he who expects nothing, for he shall never be disappointed. - Alexander Pope

It is easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them. - Alfred Adler

Nothing is as strong as gentleness, and the highest form of wisdom is kindness.
- Unknown

The fishermen know that the sea is dangerous and the storm terrible, but they have never found these dangers sufficient reasons for remaining ashore. - Vincent Van Gogh

Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the judgement that something else is more important than fear. - Ambrose Redmoon

A clever person solves a problem. A wise person avoids it. - Albert Einstein

Forgiving doesn't mean the other person was in the right, nor does it mean that the loss or harm caused by their actions is undone.

It simply means that rather than focusing on who's right and who's wrong, you leave that in God's hands, along with the repercussion of the person's actions.

You take the high road and forgive.

- Unknown

Changing the way you feel is easy compared to running around trying to change the circumstances of the outside world.

Change your feelings and the outside circumstances will change!

- Unknown

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer but wish we didn't.

- Erica Jong

To be content, just think how happy you would be if you lost everything you have right now, & then got it back again!

- Unknown

Being happy doesn't mean that everything

is perfect. It means that you've decided to look beyond the imperfections.

- Gerard Way

Almost everything you do will seem insignificant, but it is important that you do it.

- Gandhi

Normal is getting dressed in clothes that you buy for work, and driving through traffic in a car that you are still paying for, in order to get to the job you need, to pay for the clothes and the car, and the house you leave vacant all day so you can afford to live in it.

- Ellen Goodman

If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude.

- Maya Angelou

As long as you're calling you can expect God to answer. As long as you're empty you can be filled.

- Unknown

Action is the real measure of intelligence.

- Unknown

Prayer is just a continual state of being empty. That's what true humility is also.

- Unknown

One's objective should be to get it right, get it quick, get it out, and get it over.

You see, your problem won't improve with age.

- Warren Buffett

Don't ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive, and go do it. Because what the world needs is people who have come alive.

- Howard Thurman

A great deal more failure is the result of an excess of caution than of bold experimentation with new ideas.

The frontiers of the kingdom of God were never advanced by men and women of caution.

- Oswald Sanders

We will have all eternity to celebrate the victories, but we have only the few hours before sunset in which to win them.

- Unknown

People never lie so much as after a hunt,
during a war, or before an election.

- Otto von Bismarck

Leadership usually gravitates to the man
who can get up and say what he thinks (effectively
communicate).

- Unknown

I live in the spirit of prayer. I pray as I walk
about, when I lie down & when I rise up. And the
answers continually just keep coming in.

- George Mueller

The first step towards getting somewhere is
to decide you're not going to stay where you are.

- John Pierpont Morgan

You have to give good feelings first. You
have to be happy first, and give happiness, to
receive happy things!

Whatever you want to receive in life, you
must give first!

- Unknown

Every day is a new life, to a wise man.

- Dale Carnegie

Life is often compared to a marathon, but I think it is more like being a sprinter: long stretches of hard work punctuated by brief moments in which we are given the opportunity to perform at our best.

- Michael Johnson

What we think, or what we know, or what we believe is, in the end, of little consequence.

The only consequence is what we do.

- John Ruskin

This “telephone” has too many shortcomings to be seriously considered as a means of communication. The device is inherently of no value to us.

- Western Union internal memo, 1876

Self discipline is the ability to make yourself do something you don't necessarily want to do, to get a result you would really like to have.

- Andy Andrews

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence (success), then, is not an act but a habit.

- Aristotle

The most important single ingredient in the formula for success is knowing how to get along with people. - Theodore Roosevelt

A man does not plant a tree for himself; he plants it for posterity. - Alexander Smith

Believe and act as if it were impossible to fail. - Unknown

Our trouble is not ignorance, but inaction. - Unknown

Luck is what happens when preparation meets opportunity. - Seneca

Intelligence is the ability to adapt to change. - Unknown

The wishbone will never replace the backbone. - Will Henry

Religion and “religiosity” always divide people. God’s love brings together. - Unknown

If you can give your son or daughter only one gift, let it be enthusiasm. - Bruce Barton

Material power that is not counterbalanced by adequate spiritual power, that is, by love and wisdom, is a curse. - Arnold J. Toynbee

Our character is basically a composite of our habits. Because they are consistent, often unconscious patterns, they constantly, daily, express our character. - Stephen Covey

Perfect order is the forerunner of perfect horror. - Carlos Fuentes

Whenever a man does a thoroughly stupid thing, it is always from the noblest motive. - Unknown

View change as the one constant in your life. Welcome it. Expect it. Anticipate it. - Unknown

Life shrinks or expands in proportion to one's courage. - Anais Nin

Being considerate of others will take your children further in life than any college degree.
- Marian Wright Edelman

Life is not about seeing what you want and how to get it, but rather is about seeing what you have and how to give it.
- Frank Baxter

Good business leaders create a vision, articulate the vision, passionately possess the vision, and relentlessly drive it to completion.
- Unknown

You have to find something that you love enough to be able to take risks, jump over the hurdles and break through the brick walls that are always going to be placed in front of you.

If you don't have that kind of feeling for what it is you're doing, you'll stop at the first giant hurdle.
- George Lucas

Pleasure is always derived from something outside you, whereas joy arises from within.
- Unknown

A ship in harbor is safe. But that is not what ships are for. - Unknown

Don't find fault. Find a remedy. - Henry Ford

Never let your memories be greater than your dreams. - Doug Ivester

Truth is treason, in the empire of lies. - Ron Paul

People are persuaded by reason but moved by emotion. - Unknown

A great leader is a dealer in hope. - Napoleon

In order to succeed, your desire for success should be greater than your fear of failure. - Bill Cosby

Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD, and whose hope the LORD is. (Jer. 17:7)

Happiness is mental fitness.

Your level of physical fitness is determined by two things:

1. What you put into your body (nutrition).
2. What you do with your body (exercise).

- Unknown

If not now, when?

- Unknown

Some of us think holding on makes us strong, but sometimes it is letting go.

- Hermann Hesse

Not forgiving is like drinking poison and expecting the other person to die.

- Unknown

The grateful mind is constantly fixed upon the best. Therefore it tends to become the best. It takes the form or character of the best, and will receive the best.

- Wallace D. Wattles

You can tell more about a person by what he says about others, than you can by what others say about him.

- Leo Aikma

I realized a long time ago that a belief which does not spring from a conviction in the emotions is no belief at all.

- Evelyn Scott

Let all your words be kind and you will always hear kind echoes.

- Unknown

Keep your words kind and sweet, for you never know when you may have to eat them.

- Unknown

The heart has its reasons, which reason does not know.

- Blaise Pascal

Dear Optimist, Pessimist, and Realist,
While you guys were busy arguing about the glass of water, I drank it!

Sincerely,

The Opportunist

When we lose the right to be different, we lose the right to be free.

- Charles Evans Hughes

The creation of a thousand forests is in one
acorn. - Ralph Waldo Emerson

People are lonely because they build walls
instead of bridges. - Unknown

Sometimes facts and truth really don't have
much to do with each other. - Unknown

Ours is the only country that never did a
wrong thing, or fought a wrong war, or persecuted
the poor, or oppressed the weak, or polluted the
earth.

Our country's trying to save the world, stop
the wars, relieve the poor, feed the hungry, heal the
sick, and liberate the captives who are bound.

We're citizens of the only truly righteous
nation in the universe, the kingdom of Jesus
Christ. - Unknown

The great thing, and the hard thing, is to
stick to things when you have outlived the first
interest, and not yet got the second, which comes
with a sort of mastery. - Unknown

People don't care how much you know, until they know how much you care.

- John C. Maxwell

One of my great passions in life is seeking out people who live out loud, the brave and daring ones who connect deep to their yearning and purpose, shunning paychecks and predictability, courageously leaping into the abyss to make their dreams reality.

- Giselle Fernandez

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

- William James

We are each entitled to our own opinion, but no one is entitled to his own facts.

- Daniel Patrick Moynihan

Don't be so open-minded that your brain falls out.

- Unknown

The way of progress was neither swift nor easy.

- Unknown

The only real prison is fear, and the only real freedom is freedom from fear.

- Aung San Suu Kyi

The play isn't over because you made an error. It's what you do after you miss the ball.

- Unknown

If you are looking where everyone else is for the next big thing, you are looking in the wrong place.

- Mark Cuban

How little we know of the links binding the two worlds! How little we know.

If only we could realize while we are yet mortals that day by day we are building for eternity, how different our lives in many ways would be!

Every gentle word, every generous thought, every unselfish deed will become a pillar of eternal beauty in the life to come.

We cannot be selfish and unloving in one life and generous and loving in the next. The two lives are too closely blended, one but a continuation of the other.

- Rebecca Springer

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm. - Unknown

Manage a team into unbelievable success, fun and thrills, helping each team member reach their potential, as they all make an amazingly positive impact in the lives of others. - Unknown

Have great hopes and dare to go all out for them. Have great dreams and dare to live them. Have tremendous expectations and believe in them. - Norman Vincent Peale

The goal of many leaders is to get people to think more highly of the leader. The goal of a great leader is to make people think more highly of themselves. - Unknown

I think making mistakes and discovering them for yourself is of great value, but to have someone else to point out your mistakes is a shortcut of the process. - Unknown

Go for it now. The future is promised to no one. - Unknown

If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.

- Unknown

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

- Vince Lombardi

Effective leadership is not about making speeches or being liked. Leadership is defined by results, not attributes.

- Peter Drucker

The best thing to give
to your enemy, is forgiveness,
to an opponent, tolerance,
to a friend, your heart,
to your child, a good example,
to a father, deference,
to your mother, conduct that will make her
proud of you,
to yourself, respect,
to all men... charity.

- Benjamin Franklin

The older I get the less I listen to what people say and the more I look at what they do.
- Andrew Carnegie

When one door closes another one opens; but we so often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door, that we do not see the ones which open for us.
- Alexander Graham Bell

Kindness and courtesy can make an average person superior. Indifference and lack of concern can make a superior person average.
- Unknown

All of man's problems come from his inability to sit quietly in a room alone.
- Unknown

A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds.
- Francis Bacon

A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity. An optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.
- Winston Churchill

Everything you can imagine is real.

- Pablo Picasso

Dissatisfaction and discouragement are not caused by the absence of things but the absence of vision.

- Unknown

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

- General Omar Nelson Bradley

Don't spend your days stringing and tuning your instrument. Start making music now.

- Unknown

Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced.

- Unknown

People wouldn't be criticizing you if you were not making an impact. To avoid criticism say nothing, do nothing, be nothing.

- Unknown

Be the kind of man that when your feet hit the floor each morning the Devil says, “Oh shit, he’s up.”
- Unknown

That is the missing part in most people’s lives: they struggle to find purpose and miss the purpose completely.
- Unknown

Be guided absolutely and entirely by the vision of calmness, and not by the shadows of anxiety.
- Unknown

There are no “chance encounters.” All encounters offer us the opportunity to transform fear to love, and create a miracle.
- Unknown

Accept that relationships are assignments to learn and grow.
- Gabrielle Bernstein

You miss 100% of the shots you never take.
- Wayne Gretzky

Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.
- Leonardo Da Vinci

Successful people are always looking for opportunities to help others. Unsuccessful people are asking, "What's in it for me?" - Unknown

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

There is no key to happiness. The door is always open.
- Mother Teresa

The important thing is this: to be able at any moment to sacrifice what we are, for what we could become.
- Charles Du Bos

Being creative is a wonderful attribute, as long as one can make a decent living at it.
- Unknown

The secret of your future is hidden in your daily routine.
- Mike Murdock

We are happy in proportion to the things we can do without.
- Henry David Thoreau

The trouble with not having a goal is that you can spend your life running up and down the field and never score.

- Bill Copeland

Take a picture of your face and remember that in ten years time you will be amazed at how gorgeous you were. Be amazed now.

- Unknown

Three rules of work:

Out of clutter find simplicity.

From discord find harmony.

In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.

- Albert Einstein

True greatness comes through sacrificial love, and true leadership consists in self giving service.

- Unknown

Knowledge is learned, while wisdom is earned.

- Unknown

We bow down before You, we love and adore You!

Gentlemen, when the enemy is committed to a mistake we must not interrupt him too soon.

- Horatio Nelson

He who asks is a fool for five minutes, but he who does not ask remains a fool forever.

- Old Chinese Proverb

Experience shows that success is due less to ability than to zeal.

- Unknown

We cannot become what we need to be, by remaining what we are.

- Max De Pree

The most unrealistic person in the world is the cynic, not the dreamer.

Hope only makes sense when it doesn't make sense to be hopeful.

- Paul Hawken

It is the nature of man to rise to greatness if greatness is expected of him.

- John Steinbeck

Hold everything loosely.

- Unknown

The single most powerful predictor of success in the long run is commitment, a passion to pursue well defined goals. - Unknown

We tend to forget that happiness doesn't come as a result of getting something we don't have, but rather of recognizing and appreciating what we do have. - Frederick Keonig

Winning isn't getting ahead of others, it is getting ahead of yourself. - Roger Staubach

The consequences of today are determined by the actions of the past. To change your future, alter your decisions today. - Unknown

The great composer does not set to work because he is inspired, but becomes inspired because he is working.

Beethoven, Bach and Mozart settled down day after day to the job at hand with as much regularity as an accountant settles down each day to his figures. They didn't waste time waiting for inspiration! - Unknown

The winner's real edge lies in a mind that is committed to perpetual self improvement.

- Unknown

The best thing about the future is that it comes only one day at a time.

- Abraham Lincoln

The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life.

The remarkable thing is, we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day.

We cannot change our past. We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable.

The only thing we can do is play on the string we have, and that is our attitude.

I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me, and 90 percent how I react to it.

- Charles Swindoll

Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.

- William Arthur Ward

Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

- Melody Beattie

A thankful heart is not only the greatest virtue, but the parent of all the other virtues.

- Cicero

In infancy He startled a king. In boyhood He puzzled the doctors. In manhood He walked upon the billows & hushed the sea to sleep.

He healed the multitudes without medicine & made no charge for His services.

He never wrote a book, yet not all the libraries of the country could hold the books that could be written about Him.

He never wrote a song, yet He has furnished the theme of more songs than all song writers combined.

He never founded a college, yet all the schools together cannot boast of as many students as He has.

Great men have come & gone, yet He lives on. Death could not destroy Him, the grave could not hold Him.

- Unknown

Remember that what you now have was once among the things you only hoped for.

- Unknown

An error doesn't become a mistake until you refuse to correct it.

- Unknown

Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not.

- Unknown

To get something new done you have to be stubborn and focused, to the point that others might find unreasonable.

- Jeff Bezos

It takes a long time to grow an old friend.

- Unknown

Even if you're on the right track you'll get run over if you just sit there!

- Will Rogers

It is a funny thing about life; if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it.

- Somerset Maugham

We tend to overestimate what we can accomplish in two years and underestimate what we can accomplish in ten years. - Unknown

One should count each day a separate life.
- Seneca

You want to set a goal that is big enough that in the process you become someone worth becoming.

You need a dream that is destined to fail without divine intervention, because it will force you to get on your knees and seek God.

Big dreams are the best thing for us spiritually. They make us pray. They make us seek God. They force us to live the way we ought to live, in complete dependence on God.

Big dreams make you into a big person!
- Unknown

Having faith in yourself means having faith in the Lord in you.

Fear not for the future, weep not for the past.
- Percy Shelley

We don't stop playing because we grow old;
we grow old because we stop playing.

- George Bernard Shaw

True religion is the life we live, not the creed
we profess.

- J. F. Wright

One of the best things about aging is being
able to watch imagination overtake memory.

- Unknown

Champions aren't made in gyms. Champions
are made from something they have deep inside
them, a desire, a dream, a vision.

They have to have last-minute stamina, they
have to be a little faster, they have to have the skill
and the will.

But the will must be stronger than the skill.

- Muhammed Ali

Soon after the completion of Disney World
someone said, "Isn't it too bad Walt Disney didn't
live to see this."

I replied, "He did see it. That's why it's here."

- Mike Vance, Disney VIP

You must do the thing you think you cannot do.
- Eleanor Roosevelt

Life is change. Growth is optional. Choose wisely.
- Karen Kaiser

Circumstances never create character, they merely reveal it.
- Unknown

You cannot control the length of your life, but you can control it's breadth, depth and height.
- Unknown

You've achieved success in your field when you don't know whether what you're doing is work or play.
- Warren Beatty

Imagination is everything. It is a preview of life's coming attractions.
- Albert Einstein

Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try.
- Unknown

It's hard for me to stay silent, when I keep hearing that peace is only attainable through war.

And there is nothing more scary than watching ignorance in action.

- Tommy Smothers

Being a good woman is knowing when not to be a lady.

- Unknown

The high performing “born leader” is a dangerous myth.

Few highly effective teams just fall into place on their own because the right people were thrown together.

High performing organizations don't automatically emerge because somebody wanted them to, had a brilliant idea, or saw a great market opportunity.

Outstanding leaders, teams, and organizations are the result of continuous and systematic improvement efforts. It's hard work.

But, if we don't have structure, processes, and disciplined habits to continue improving, we won't.

We'll become a change victim, rather than victor.

- Jim Clemmer

It is in stopping to rest in Me that you find
your strength.

I'd love to be a fly on the wall in that
household. - Unknown

All I ever wanted was you, dear Jesus.

We must become the change we want to see.
- Ghandi

No one can make you feel inferior without
your consent. - Elenor Roosevelt

We tend to get what we expect.
- Norman Vincent Peale

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

It is good to have an end to journey towards,
but it is the journey that matters in the end.
- Ursula K. Le Guin

Only the insecure strive for security.
- Unknown

Relativity applies to physics, not ethics.
- Albert Einstein

A man should be big enough to admit his mistakes, smart enough to profit from them, and strong enough to correct them.
- John C. Maxwell

Growth begins when we accept our own weakness.
- Unknown

Opportunities multiply as they are seized.
- Sun Tzu

The difference between fiction and reality?
Fiction has to make sense. - Tom Clancy

I wish sometimes we could see all the events of life framed in the ultimate results they lead to.
- Unknown

The greatest thing in life is love, and the second is laughter. - Unknown

Losers let things happen. They're merely creatures of circumstances. Winners make things happen. They're creators of circumstances. - Unknown

Resting fully in the Lord is the secret of surviving these intense days. - Unknown

Growth for the sake of growth is the ideology of the cancer cell. - Edward Abbey

Never underestimate stupidity. - Richard Rainosek

We choose how we are going to respond to things. - Unknown

You are making your eternal destiny right now, this moment. - Unknown

Would you like to be like you?

Hang on tightly; let go lightly.

- Unknown

Kind hearts are the gardens,
Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the flowers,
Kind deeds are the fruits.
Take care of your garden,
And keep out the bad weeds,
Fill it up with sunshine,
Kind words and kind deeds.

- Longfellow

Dear Lord, we pray that Thou wilt help us
to have a keen sense of values, and the realization
that we are here to prepare for eternity and not for
time.

You become what you speak.

He says he wants to do something big that
will change the world for the better. He has no idea
what that is right now.

- Unknown

My Word is your link to My mind.

It wasn't really a lie; it was an incremental accumulation of half truths. - Steve Martin

You're tuning your mature instinct, learning the difference between being a helpful adviser and a control freak. When you loosen up a bit, people don't mind doing what you ask them to do.

My Word is food for your soul and health to your flesh.

Anything that takes you away from Me and keeps you from living and breathing My Word is an idol.

It is an idol because whatever you give your time to is what you value most. It is what you worship, in a sense.

So much of the Christian suffering and heartaches come because they rebel at being humble in the hands of God.

Through My Word you partake of My divine nature. You become like Me.

Independence is the spirit that drives
America. - Tyndall Airforce Base

If you can't dazzle them with your brilliance,
baffle them with your bullshit. - W. C. Fields

Your actions will always follow your beliefs.
- Unknown

You judge your father by his actions, and
then judge yourself by your intentions.

It is through weakness that you are powerful.
It is through quietness that you are bold. It is
through forsaking that you gain all things. It is
through humility that you will have confidence.

Opinions are like assholes: everybody's
got one, but everyone thinks that everyone else's
stinks. - Simone Elkeles

Don't be pushed by your problems, be lead
by your dreams. - Unknown

I mused for a moment on the quest of which was worse: To lead a life so boring that you are easily enchanted. Or a life so full of stimulus that you are so easily bored.

- Bill Bryson

To love is to be aware of eternity.

The man who dies wealthy dies disgraced.

- Andrew Carnegie

You don't need to know everything. You just need to know where to find the answers.

- Unknown

Religious self effort always ends up in results in the flesh.

Make my heart a work of art, dear Lord.

Take the broken pieces.

Make me someone new, dear Jesus.

- Unknown

Every saint has a past, and every sinner has a future.

- Oscar Wilde

Be willing to be only a voice, heard but
not seen, a mirror whose surface is lost to view,
because it reflects the dazzling glory of the sun.
- Unknown

You know what they say: science only goes
so far, then comes God. - Nicholas Sparks

It takes patience to allow yourself to rest
fully in Him. - Unknown

Little faith will bring your souls to Heaven,
but great faith will bring Heaven to your souls.

We die, because we lived. - Unknown

It is in stopping to rest in Me that you find
your strength.

If you accept defeat then that's what you'll
get. - Unknown

I do my best. He does the rest.

Without stupid people we would have no one to laugh at. Take time to thank a stupid person for their contribution.

- Unknown

Life is a voyage in which we choose neither vessel nor weather, but much can be done in the management of the sails and the guidance of the helm.

- Unknown

Heaven and Earth have conflicting cultures, which pull you in one direction or the other. This is often the source of many of the battles you face.

We turn the tide of victory or defeat entirely by our choices. Believe it or not!

The Devil's greatest power is in fear, and therefore his greatest grip on your mind is through it's inability to understand the things of the spirit.

Your spirit senses the true realities and longs to partake of them. It senses their worth.

“Let's do everything you want, my way.”

You can't build a reputation on what you're going to do. - Unknown

On earth, it is your responsibility and your duty to give Me the honor and glory and thanks for everything.

When you get to Heaven it will be My turn to praise you and give you your due honor and respect.

Often all we see is the very long distance they have to go, but we fail to see the much greater distance that they have come already. - Unknown

It has been said that all the troubles of man arise from his inability to sit still. - Blaise Pascal

The miracle is this: the more we share, the more we have. - Leonard Nimoy

The enemy's top priority is to get you away from the Lord's Word.

Victory is won in prayer, beforehand.
Service is simply gathering up the results.

A happy ending depends on where you stop
the story. - Orson Welles

Who knoweth the power of thine anger?
Even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.
(Ps. 90:11)

Faithfulness to Me, and faithfulness to love,
that's the true measure of success in My eyes.

Reason is the enemy of faith.

It's only those who are humble, who have a
vacuum, and who are desperate for His help that
He can fill and give the help to.

They are locked in a reality that doesn't live
up to their romantic expectations.

Expect problems, and eat them for breakfast!
- Alfred A. Montapert

I've noticed when God puts together a group of people who are not really smart, He puts together some really dumb ones.

The first to apologize is the bravest.
The first to forgive is the strongest.
And the first to forget is the happiest.
- Unknown

A successful man is one who can lay a foundation with the bricks others have thrown at him.
- Unknown

It is easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them.
- Alfred Adler

Life is no brief candle to me. It is a blazing torch which I have got a hold of for the moment, and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations.
- George Bernard Shaw

Experience is what makes you wonder how it got a reputation for being the best teacher.
- Unknown

The grass may be greener on the other side,
but it is just as hard to mow. - Unknown

If I were to say, God, why me? about the bad
things, then I should have said, God, why me?
about the good things that happened in my life.
- Arthur Ashe

When he received a letter from a fan which
conveyed: "Why did God have to select you for
such a bad disease?" Arthur Ashe replied:

"Listen. Fifty million children around the
world start playing tennis. Five million learn
to play tennis. Five hundred thousand learn
professional tennis. Fifty thousand come to the
circuit. Five thousand reach The Grand Slam. Fifty
reach Wimbledon. Eight reach the Quarterfinals.
Four make it to the Semifinals. Two to the Finals.

"When I was holding the Cup I never asked
God: Why me? So why now in pain should I be
asking Him: WHY ME?"

If at first you do succeed, try something
harder. - Unknown

The man who rows the boat doesn't have time to rock it. - Jean-Paul Sartre

When I was young I observed that nine out of ten things I did were failures, so I did ten times more work. - George Bernard Shaw

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

Success is a journey, not a destination.

When we learn to truly go to the Lord for everything in prayer, we will truly have become God's leaders. - Unknown

Never say "no" to anything, except when it comes to paying money, or signing your name. - Unknown

There is only one thing people like that is good for them; a good night's sleep. - Unknown

To listen well is as powerful a means of communication and influence as to talk well.
- John Marshall

Action is the real measure of intelligence.
- Napoleon Hill

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

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

We generally change ourselves for one of two reasons: inspiration or desperation.
- Jim Rohn

Growing old is unavoidable. However, growing up is still optional.
- Unknown

The worst thing that happens to you may be the best thing for you if you don't let it get the best of you.
- Will Rogers

We have time and prayer backwards. We think time determines prayer. But prayer determines time. We think our lack of time is the cause of our lack of prayer, but our lack of prayer is the cause of our lack of time. - Unknown

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal. - Henry Ford

It's not what you've got that determines the outcome. It's what you do with what you've got. - Unknown

It is in the field of prayer that life's critical battles are lost or won. In prayer we bring our spiritual enemies into the presence of God and fight them there. Have you tried that? Or have you been satisfied to meet and fight your foes in the open spaces of the world? - John Henry Jowett

If Christ is risen, nothing else matters. And if Christ is not risen, nothing else matters. - Jaroslav Pelikan

It is better to live rich than to die rich.

- Samuel Johnson

Love is rubbing out another's mistake
instead of rubbing it in.

- Farmer's Almanac

You have to be constantly reinventing
yourself and investing in the future, You're always
investing in yourself. You're always adapting.
You're not a finished product.

- Unknown

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 is curiosity, confidence,
courage, and consistency, and the greatest of all is
confidence.

When you believe in a thing, believe in it all
the way, implicitly and unquestionably.

- Walt Disney

God's nature, is to be giving.

The best way to make your dreams come
true is to wake up.

- Paul Valery

God dwells in life. He dwells more in one little sparrow than in all the church buildings of the world. - Unknown

The path to success is to take massive, determined action. - Anthony Robbins

We can't afford to waste tears on "might have beens". We need to turn the tears into sweat that can take us to what can be. - Denis Waitley

Impossible is just a big word thrown around by small men who find it easier to live in the world they've been given than to explore the power they have to change it. Impossible is not a fact. It's an opinion. Impossible is not a declaration. It's a dare. Impossible is temporary. Impossible is nothing. - Unknown

I've missed more than 9,000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. Twenty six times I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life, and that is why I succeed. - Michael Jordan

He took me to prison to set me free.

- Unknown

The great enemy of the truth is very often not the lie, deliberate, continued, and dishonest. But the myth, persistent, persuasive, and unrealistic.

- John F. Kennedy

At your worst, you look into the face of God, and He's smiling.

- Unknown

For everything that has been, thank You. For everything that will be, yes.

- Unknown

A certain amount of opposition is a great help to a man. Kites rise against, not with the wind.

- Lewis Mumford

Your greatest strength is your desire to spend time communing with Me.

Mistakes are part of the dues one pays for a full life.

- Sophia Loren

Any girl can find a guy with a tan. It takes a real woman to spot a man. - Unknown

Sometimes love means letting go when you want to hold on tighter. - Melissa Marr

Abraham had to learn it wasn't Abraham: it was only God! Moses had to learn it couldn't be Moses!

David had to learn by looking at Saul, and becoming a disgrace himself that he couldn't make it on his own! Elijah had to learn that it wasn't Elijah, but God!

The list is almost endless again of all the people God had to humble before He could use them. Of all the leaders God had to bring down to the depths before they could stand to be exalted, lest they would have taken credit to themselves and not given God the glory.

Because, by the time God's ready to make you really great, He makes absolutely nothing out of you, so there's nothing left of you at all and it's only Jesus!

When He can get you out of the way, then He has a chance! When you become nothing but a tool, and a channel, nothing but a little diamond of

dust, then God can really use you!

But He has to break you, and humble you,
and melt you in the fire, purge you, purify you, sift
you, beat out the chaff!

He has to beat the hell out of you till there's
none of it left. Crucify the flesh till it's dead as a
doornail. Mortify the mind till it's almost gone. So
that Jesus can live and think and move in you!

Did God make a mistake? Or is all this
necessary to make us what we ought to be?

If you aren't going to go all the way, why go
at all? - Joe Namath

The more mistakes I make, the faster I learn.
- Unknown

Failure is only failure if you give up.
- Unknown

If you're tired of starting over, stop giving up.
- Unknown

Don't let the fear of striking out hold you
back. - Babe Ruth

When everything seems to be going against you, remember that the airplane takes off against the wind, not with it.

- Henry Ford

Pause before responding to people or situations, giving My Spirit space to act through you. Hasty words and actions leave no room for Me.

It takes as much energy to wish as it does to plan.

- Eleanor Roosevelt

I couldn't wait for success so I went ahead without it.

- Jonathan Winters

What is more mortifying than to feel you have missed the plum for want of courage to shake the tree.

- Logan Pearsall Smith

Nothing is work unless you'd rather be doing something else.

- George Halas

Problems are only opportunities with thorns on them.

- Hugh Miller

He's avoided a lot of pain, because of it he's also avoided a lot of happiness. - Unknown

We're here to help others. What are the others here for? - Unknown

When you're totally alone and you don't have to think about anything, what do you think about? In other words, where does your mind naturally go? Is it to adoration of God? Is it to prayer? Your real god is what you most effortlessly think about. - Unknown

Make haste... slowly.

I don't need to be rich, I just want to live that way. - Anthony Arnone

One way to keep momentum going is to have constantly greater goals. - Michael Korda

Your religion is what you do with your solitude. - Unknown

As long as you have courage and a sense of humor, it is never too late to start life afresh.

- Unknown

We all create the person we become by our choices as we go through life. In a real sense, by the time we are adults, we are the sum total of the choices we have made.

- Eleanor Roosevelt

The secret to success is... is no secret. It's called work your ass off and find a way to add more value to peoples lives than anyone else does!

- Anthony Robbins

A real woman can do it all by herself, but a real man won't let her.

- Unknown

God likes diversity, but not division.

It is a tragedy to be preoccupied with the past at the expense of the future.

- Unknown

A man is not old, until regrets take place of dreams.

- John Barrymore

Having vision beyond your resources is synonymous with dreaming big. It may feel like you're setting yourself up for failure, but you're actually setting God up for a miracle.

- Mark Batterson

It was the best first kiss in the history of first kisses. It was as sweet as sugar. And it was warm, as warm as pie. The whole world opened up and I fell inside. I don't know where I was, but I didn't care. I didn't care because the only person who mattered was there with me.

- Sarah Addison Allen

Like magic, she felt him getting nearer, felt it like a pull in the pit of her stomach. It felt like hunger but deeper, heavier. Like the best kind of expectation. Ice cream expectation. Chocolate expectation.

- Sarah Addison Allen

Never look back unless you are planning to go that way.

- Henry David Thoreau

Anywhere, provided it be forward.

- David Livingstone

Better to face danger once than to be always
in fear. - Zig Ziglar

You can do more than pray after you have
prayed, but you cannot do more than pray until
you have prayed. - Adoniram Judson

Relying on God has to begin all over again
every day, as if nothing had yet been done.
- C. S. Lewis

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

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

All things are difficult before they are easy.

Change your thoughts, and you change your
world! - Norman Vincent Peale

Failures do what is tension relieving, while winners do what is goal achieving. - Unknown

A decision is made with the brain. A commitment is made with the heart. Therefore, a commitment is much deeper and more binding than a decision. - Nido Qubein

Every generation imagines itself to be more intelligent than the one that went before it, and wiser than the one that comes after it. - George Orwell

I know God promises not to give me more than I can handle. I just wish he didn't trust me so much. - Mother Teresa

Any man who can drive safely while kissing a pretty girl is simply not giving the kiss the attention it deserves. - Albert Einstein

Age may wrinkle the face, but lack of enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. - Danish Proverb

Humility is not thinking less of yourself, it is thinking of yourself less. - Unknown

Life does not have to be perfect to be wonderful. - Annette Funicello

Light tomorrow with today!
- Elizabeth Barrett Browning

We do the training; God does the changing. It's character that gets us out of bed in the mornings, commitment that moves us into action, and self discipline that enables us to follow through. - Unknown

Our character is but the stamp on our souls of the free choices of good and evil we have made through life. - John C. Geikie

Truths hurt, then heal. Lies soothe, then kill.

Pain is temporary. It may last a minute, or an hour, or a day, or a year, but eventually it will subside and something else will take its place. If

I quit, however, it lasts forever. That surrender, even the smallest act of giving up, stays with me. So when I feel like quitting, I ask myself, which would I rather live with?

- Lance Armstrong

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.

- Albert Einstein

A faint heart never won a fair lady.

Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.

- William James

I have always found that mercy bears richer fruits than strict justice.

- Abraham Lincoln

Mercy is nobility's true badge.

- William Shakespeare

I believe that the first test of a truly great man is his humility.

Really great men have a curious feeling that the greatness is not in them but through them. And they see something divine in every other man and are endlessly, incredibly merciful. - Unknown

There is nothing noble in being superior to your fellow man; true nobility is being superior to your former self. - Ernest Hemingway

Courage is learning to hang on when you want to let go. Wisdom is learning to let go when you want to hang on. - Unknown

The illiterate of the future are not those who can't read or write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn and relearn. - Alvin Toffler

Often when you think you're at the end of something, you're at the beginning of something else. - Mister Rogers

My definition of professional is "those that dream higher". - Unknown

If you didn't hear it with your own ears or see it with your own eyes, don't invent it with your small mind and share it with your big mouth.

- Unknown

Life is short. Don't get caught doing something someone else was meant to do.

- Unknown

Instead of focusing on resisting what is true today, why not create an irresistible vision that pulls you and others forward?

- Unknown

If you are going to achieve excellence in big things, you develop the habit in little matters. Excellence is not an exception, it is a prevailing attitude.

- Charles R. Swindoll

Difficulty is the very atmosphere of miracles. It is a miracle in its first stage. If it is to be a great miracle, the condition is not even difficulty, but impossibility.

- Unknown

What worries you, masters you.

- John Locke

Our days are happier when we give people a bit of our heart rather than a piece of our mind.

- Unknown

An expert is a man who has made all the mistakes which can be made in a very narrow field.

- Niels Bohr

Life must be lived forwards, but can only be understood backwards.

- Søren Kierkegaard

Don't try to bear burdens that are not yours to bear; instead let Me carry them. Cast them upon Me. Strengthen yourself in My Word and in faith. Look up to Me and praise Me, give glory to Me, for I am He that does all things.

Growing old is no more than a bad habit which a busy person has no time to form.

- Andre Maurois

Spend time with those you love. One of these days you will say either, "I wish I had," or "I'm glad I did."

- Zig Ziglar

The simplest customer service frustration question of all: “Why isn’t this as important to you as it is to me?”
- Unknown

God bids us to choose: Do we believe, or do we not? Will we be bold enough to love, daring enough to serve, humble enough to submit, and strong enough to acknowledge our limitations? Can we surrender our concern in things that don’t matter so that we might devote our days to things that do?
- Unknown

If we could forget our troubles as easily as we forget our blessings, how different things would be.
- Unknown

Life is a series of sales situations, and the answer is “no”, if you don’t ask.
- Unknown

Believe in those who are seeking the truth.
Doubt those who find it.
- Andre Gide

Man lives his whole life trying to figure out the secrets of life only to realize in the end LIFE was the secret.
- Unknown

Do not wait to strike till the iron is hot; but
make it hot by striking.

- William Butler Yeats

Choice, not chance, determines human
destiny.

- Unknown

Round with the glass, boys, as fast as you can,
Since he who don't drink cannot be a true man.
For if truth is in wine, then 'tis all but a whim
To think a man's true when the wine's not in him.
Drink, drink, then, and hold it a maxim divine
That there's virtue in truth, and there's truth in
good wine!

- Benjamin Cooke

Nothing is impossible for the man who will
not listen to reason.

- John Belushi

What you speak about, you can bring about.

- Unknown

Forget mistakes, forget failures. Forget
everything except what you're going to do now
and do it. Today is your lucky day.

- Will Durant

The only test of leadership is that somebody follows. - Robert K. Greenleaf

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

The price of anything is the amount of life you exchange for it. - Henry David Thoreau

If you really want people to respond to your leadership, you have to have a personal relationship with them. They need to know you're dependable and that you'll be there if they have a problem. That's personal power to me. - Noreen Haffner

The man who says it can't be done is often interrupted by the man doing it. - David Dean

We must train from the inside out, using our strengths to attack and nullify any weaknesses. It's not about denying a weakness may exist but about denying its right to persist. - Vince McConnell

Catching people doing things right is a powerful management concept. - Ken Blanchard

Pray for the chance to encounter people who sense there could be something better in their lives. Pray to know what you should do to help them. Your prayers will be answered.

- Henry B. Eyring

We ask ourselves, “Who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?” Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God.

- Marianne Williamson

If you want to see God move in powerful ways, all you have to do is stay out of God’s way!

Consider the rights of others before your own feelings. And the feelings of others before your own rights.

- John Wooden

The quality of a man’s life is in direct proportion to his commitment to excellence, regardless of his chosen field of endeavor.

- Vince Lombardi

Appreciate what you have, before it turns
into what you had. - Unknown

Give up trying to educate, and work to
inspire.

Why do some marketing campaigns, like
J.C. Penny's bold rejection of sales and coupons,
fail.? Human beings are not uninformed, critical
thinkers. They're self-deluded, pleasure seekers.

Recognize their present behavior for what
it truly is, evidence of their beliefs and desires,
and use that understanding to create something
compelling. Help them experience a new vision,
one which they find highly desirable, rather than
dwelling on the downside of the status quo.

Give up trying to educate, and work to
inspire. This broad concept is applicable to many
areas where you are trying to influence someone's
behavior, including co-workers, family, and even
when we are trying to influence ourselves and
stretch our potential.

Too many people overvalue what they are
not and undervalue what they are.
- Malcolm Forbes

Sympathy is no substitute for action.

- David Livingstone

The reasonable man adapts himself to the world; the unreasonable one persists in trying to adapt the world to himself. Therefore, all progress depends on the unreasonable man.

- George Bernard Shaw

When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on!

- Unknown

In daily life we must see that it is not happiness that makes us grateful, but gratefulness that makes us happy.

- Unknown

I have found that there are three stages in every great work of God: first, it is impossible, then it is difficult, then it is done.

- Hudson Taylor

Temptation is a woman's weapon and man's excuse.

- H. L. Mencken

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

- Mario Andretti

I always wanted to be somebody, but now I realize I should have been more specific.

- Lily Tomlin

Character may be manifested in the great moments, but it is made in the small ones.

- Unknown

The chains of habit are too weak to be felt until they are too strong to be broken.

- Samuel Johnson

To succeed in life, you need three things: a wishbone, a backbone and a funnybone.

- Reba McEntire

The art of love, is largely the art of persistence.

- Albert Ellis

Whoever defends himself will have himself for his defense, and he will have no other; but let him come defenseless before the Lord and he will have for his defender, no less than God himself.

- Unknown

When you blame others, you give up your power to change.

- Unknown

Whenever anything is being accomplished, it is being done, I have learned, by a monomaniac with a mission.

- Peter Drucker

Keep your words positive because your words become YOUR ACTIONS.

Keep your actions positive, because your actions become YOUR HABITS.

Keep your habits positive, because your habits become YOUR LIFESTYLE.

Keep your lifestyle positive, because your lifestyle becomes YOUR DESTINY.

- Unknown

By turning your thoughts into prayer you turn them into creative power.

No one ever said on their deathbed, “Gee, I wish I had spent more time alone with my computer.”
- Danielle Berry

We have the answers. They don't. We have to fix that problem.
- Unknown

I missed out on enjoying or on being fully present in the season God had me in.

Reality: That which has existence apart from any idea any mind may have of it, and which would exist if there were no mind anywhere to entertain a thought of it. That which is real has being in itself. It does not depend upon the observer for its validity.
- Unknown

Contentment is a feeling that envelops you when you're truly thankful for what you have and are no longer seeking to acquire more.
- Unknown

It's beauty that captures your attention; personality which captures your heart.
- Oscar Wilde

If you want to make God laugh, tell Him your plans. If you want to make God mad, tell Him your limitations. - Unknown

Well done is better than well said. - Benjamin Franklin

If you're not getting as much from life as you want to, then examine the state of your enthusiasm. - Unknown

A God with limitless power and ability has no desire or time to hear about the limitations of the people He wants to use.

The best part of love is losing all sense of reality. - Unknown

I find television very educating. Every time somebody turns on the TV, I go into the other room and read a book. - Groucho Marx

When the student is ready the teacher will appear. - Unknown

I have learnt silence from the talkative,
tolerance from the intolerant, and kindness from
the unkind; yet strangely, I am ungrateful to these
teachers.

- Kahlil Gibran

When someone tells you that you can't do
something, perhaps you should consider that they
are only telling you what they can't do.

- Sheldon Cahoon

Good judgment comes from experience.
Experience comes from bad judgment.

- Dr. Kerr L. White

There is no such thing as unhappiness, there
is only ungratefulness.

- Unknown

The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is
the attribute of the strong.

- Ghandi

Here is a test to find whether your mission
on earth is finished: If you're alive it isn't.

- Richard Bach

Life is thickly sown with thorns, and I know no other remedy than to pass quickly through them. The longer we dwell on our misfortunes, the greater is their power to harm us. - Voltaire

One of the greatest gifts you can give anybody is the gift of your honest self. I also believe that kids can spot a phony a mile away. - Mr. Rogers

Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every new year find you a better man. - Benjamin Franklin

I awake all filled with you. Your image and the intoxicating pleasures of last night, allow my senses no rest. Sweet and matchless Josephine, how strangely you work upon my heart.

My soul is broken with grief and my love for you forbids repose. But how can I rest any more, when I yield to the feeling that masters my inmost self, when I quaff from your lips and from your heart a scorching flame? Yes! One night has taught me how far your portrait falls short of yourself! - Napoleon

I have no time to hate people who hate me,
because I am very busy loving people who love
me. - Unknown

Make God your first priority, not your last
resort! - Unknown

Don't look where you fell but where you
slipped. - Liberian proverb

Balls, who needs balls? What you really
want is a vagina. Now that thing can take a
pounding. - Unknown

Christ did not come to do away with
suffering. He did not come to explain it. He came
to fill it with His presence. - Paul Claudel

Common sense is the collection of
prejudices acquired by age 18.
- Albert Einstein

Your Christian life is to be a continuous
proof that God works impossibilities.

Keep people in your life that truly love you, motivate you, encourage you, inspire you, enhance you & make you happy. If you have people who do NONE of the above, let them go.

- Unknown

Wisdom tells me I am nothing. Love tells me I am everything. Between the two my life flows.

- Nisargadatta Maharaj

When the power of love overcomes the love of power then the world will be at peace.

- Jimi Hendrix

Their exposure to Him was great, but their experience of Him was limited.

- Unknown

Let no man pull you low enough to hate him.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

Genius means little more than the faculty of perceiving in an unhabitual way.

- William James

Do one thing every day that scares you.
- Eleanor Roosevelt

I believe that if life gives you lemons, you
should make lemonade...

And try to find somebody whose life has
given them vodka, and have a party.
- Unknown

The biggest risk in life is not risking. Every
risk you take in life is in direct proportion to the
reward.
- Unknown

Your life is your garden,
And your thoughts are your seeds,
So if your life isn't awesome,
You've been watering the weeds.
-Terry Prince

I may not have gone where I intended to go,
but I think I have ended up where I needed to be.
- Douglas Adams

If you live for having it all, what you have is
never enough.
- Vicki Robin

Always be inviting the audience into your theatre. - Unknown

Do not confuse motion and progress. A rocking horse keeps moving but does not make any progress. - Alfred A. Montapert

You see things as they are, and ask, "Why?" I dream things that never were and say, "Why not?" - George Bernard Shaw

God's Kingdom isn't about earning and deserving. It's about believing and receiving. - Sarah Young

Adapt or perish, now as ever, is nature's inexorable imperative. - H. G. Wells

You get more with a gun & kind words, than kind words alone. - Al Capone

A great deal of talent is lost to the world for want of a little courage. - Sydney Smith

We often take for granted the very things
that most deserve our gratitude.

- Cynthia Ozick

Every war when it comes, or before it
comes, is represented not as a war but as an act of
self-defense against a homicidal maniac.

- George Orwell

Success is not the result of spontaneous
combustion. You must set yourself on fire.

- Unknown

Ability is what you're capable of doing.
Motivation determines what you do. Attitude
determines how well you do it.

- Unknown

He who is afraid to ask is ashamed of
learning.

- Danish proverb

God helps those who help themselves, and
He helps those who can't help themselves, but He
doesn't help those who can help themselves but
won't.

- Unknown

Happy are those who dream dreams, and are ready to pay the price to make them come true.

- Unknown

A happy person is not a person in a certain set of circumstances, but rather a person with a certain set of attitudes.

- Hugh Downs

Live as if you were to die tomorrow. Learn as if you were to live forever.

- Gandhi

Expect great things from God, attempt great things for God.

- Unknown

Very often a change of self is needed more than a change of scenery.

- Arthur Christopher Benson

Insanity is doing the same thing day after day and expecting different results.

- Unknown

Taking a new step is what people fear most. The real fear should be of the opposite course.

- Unknown

It is well to remember that the entire population of the universe, with one trifling exception, is composed of others.

- Andrew J. Holmes

Your present circumstances don't determine where you can go; they merely determine where you start.

- Nido Qubein

Creativity can solve almost any problem. The creative act, the defeat of habit by originality, overcomes everything.

- George Lois

The difference between a mountain and a molehill is your perspective.

- Al Neuharth

Growth demands a temporary surrender of security. It may mean a giving up of familiar but limiting patterns, safe but unrewarding work.

- Unknown

I start with the premise that the function of leadership is to produce more leaders, not more followers.

- Ralph Nader

Life is all about choices. How many people are trapped in their everyday habits, part numb, part frightened, part indifferent? To have a better life we must keep choosing how we're living.

- Albert Einstein

Pennies don't fall from heaven, they have to be earned here on earth.

- Unknown

No one would remember the Good Samaritan if he'd only had good intentions. He had money as well.

- Unknown

Be sure what you want and be sure about yourself. Fashion is not just beauty; it's about good attitude. You have to believe in yourself and be strong.

- Adriana Lima

Commitment is what transforms a promise into reality.

- Abraham Lincoln

A man who trusts nobody is apt to be the kind of man nobody trusts.

- Harold Macmillan

Joy is the flag which flies from the castle of the heart when the King is in residence there.

- Unknown

Run it up the flagpole and see if anyone salutes it.

- Unknown

Destiny is not a matter of chance. It's a matter of choice.

- Unknown

It is difficult to say what is impossible, for the dream of yesterday is the hope of today and the reality of tomorrow.

- Robert H. Goddard

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

- Unknown

Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs, the Titanic by professionals.

- Unknown

Great souls are they who see that spiritual force is stronger than material force, that thoughts rule the world.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the most of everything that comes along their way.

- Unknown

Let the refining and improving of your own life keep you so busy that you have little time to criticize others.

- H. Jackson Brown

The person with a fixed goal, a clear picture of his desire, or an ideal always before him, causes it, through repetition, to be buried deeply in his subconscious mind and is thus enabled, thanks to its generative and sustaining power, to realize his goal in a minimum of time and with a minimum of physical effort.

Just pursue the thought unceasingly. Step by step you will achieve realization, for all your faculties and powers become directed to that end.

- Unknown

You have as much happiness available to you as anyone else on the planet, and there is an endless supply of it.

- Derek O'Neill

It is but a short step from the critical to the hypocritical. - Unknown

Until you're able to be happy in every situation, you can't really be happy in any situation. - Unknown

I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past. - Thomas Jefferson

I am learning all the time. The tombstone will be my diploma. - Eartha Kitt

It's not about time, it's about choices. How are you spending your choices? - Unknown

I have learned over the years that when one's mind is made up, this diminishes fear. Knowing what must be done does away with fear. - Rosa Parks

If everyone else thinks your idea is ridiculous, then you have no competition, and higher potential rewards. - Unknown

The most dependable quality in the universe is that of change. A willingness to change eliminates the word failure from our vocabulary.

- Unknown

A bend in the road is not the end of the road, unless you fail to make the turn.

- Unknown

He fell in a shit house and came out smelling like a rose!

- Unknown

Oh, the joy, the inexpressible comfort of feeling safe with a person. Having to neither weigh thoughts nor measure words, but just to pour them all out, chaff and grain together. Knowing that a faithful hand will take and sift them, keep what is worth keeping, and then with the breath of kindness, blow the rest away.

- George Eliot

Keep being kind even when things are at their worst.

- Unknown

You can't influence people unless they genuinely like you.

- Unknown

Being bland won't engage anyone. Flaws are often the most compelling thing about someone.

- Unknown

Never count yourself out, no matter how intimidating the opponent.

- Unknown

Recognize that there's a very good chance that you're dead wrong.

- Unknown

You can't succeed unless you're willing to put everything you've got into it.

- Unknown

Always try to get the first and the last word to make sure you control the story.

Get your story out first so you can set the tone for the coverage that follows.

- Unknown

If your everyday life seems poor, don't blame it; blame yourself. Admit to yourself that you are not enough of a poet to call forth its riches, because for the creator there is no poverty and no indifferent place.

- Rainer Maria Rilke

Staying the course and pretending things are normal is the riskiest thing you can do.

- Unknown

Killing yourself over one project is a waste. It's a marathon, not a sprint.

- Unknown

Talent isn't enough. You have to be smart about the choices you make.

- Unknown

Find a way to say yes to things.

- Unknown

There are no shortcuts to any place worth going.

- Beverly Sills

You can replace me but you can't replace the memories you had with me.

- Unknown

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

- William James

Life is the art of drawing without an eraser.

- John W. Gardner

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

- Abraham Lincoln

The bad news: nothing is permanent.

The good news: nothing is permanent.

- Unknown

You are your own scriptwriter and the play is never finished, no matter what your age or position in life.

- Denis Waitley

If you want to be happy... BE!

- Unknown

Persistence is probably the single most common quality of high achievers. They simply refuse to give up. The longer you hang in there, the greater the chance that something will happen in your favor. No matter how hard it seems, the longer you persist the more likely your success.

- Jack Canfield

Don't let your victories go to your head and your failures to your heart.

- Bill Cosby

Give God first place in your life and He will take you places you've never dreamed.

- Unknown

Picture in your mind the person you desire to be, and the thought you hold is hourly transforming you into that particular individual.

- Elbert Hubbard

Success is the sum of small efforts repeated day in and day out.

- Robert Collier

To acquire knowledge, one must study; but to acquire wisdom, one must observe.

- Marilyn Vos Savant

Be sure you put your feet in the right place, and then stand firm.

- Abraham Lincoln

The easiest and best way to break a habit is to drop it.

- Unknown

You never so touch the ocean of God's love as when you forgive.

- Corrie Ten Boom

The single biggest problem in communication is the illusion that it has taken place.

- George Bernard Shaw

There are five things that you cannot recover in life:

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| (1) The Stone | after it's thrown, |
| (2) The Word | after it's said, |
| (3) The Occasion | after it's missed, |
| (4) The Time | after it's gone, |
| (5) A person | after they die. |

- Unknown

Sometimes letting things go for the sake of keeping the people you love in your life, is more important than holding on and being right.

Experience is a good teacher, but she sends you terrific bills.

- Minna Antrim

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

- Theodore Roosevelt

The word "listen" contains the same letters as the word "silent."

- Alfred Brendel

The ideal environment does not guarantee perfect performance. Remember, Adam was in paradise when he failed.

- Unknown

When you're comfortable in your own skin, you look beautiful, regardless of any flaws.

- Emily Deschanel

Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't.

- Jerry Rice

It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see.

- Henry David Thoreau

The man who insists upon seeing with perfect clearness before he decides, never decides.

- Unknown

Accept life, and you must accept regret.

- Henri Frederic Amiel

To think too long about doing a thing often becomes its undoing.

- Eva Young

Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe.

- Abraham Lincoln

You'll worry less about what people think about you when you realize how seldom they do.

- David Foster Wallace

Reality is that which, when you stop believing in it, doesn't go away.

- Phillip K. Dick

People can be more forgiving than you can imagine. But you have to forgive yourself. Let go of what's bitter and move on.

- Bill Cosby

Faced with the choice between changing one's mind and proving that there is no need to do so, almost everyone gets busy on the proof.

- John Kenneth Galbraith

The person who says it cannot be done should not interrupt the person doing it.

- Unknown

Never mistake motion for action.

- Ernest Hemingway

Things alter for the worse spontaneously, if they be not altered for the better designedly.

- Francis Bacon

One PayDay Mr. Goodbar wanted a Bit-O-Honey, so he took Miss Hershey's behind the corner of Clark & 5th Avenue.

He begun to feel her Mounds with his Butterfinger. That was pure Almond Joy. He let out a Snickers as she screamed "Oh Henry" while squeezing his Tootsie Roll.

She said, "You are even better than the Three Musketeers."

Soon she was a bit Chunky. The result came nine months later: sweet little Baby Ruth.

I became insane, with long intervals of horrible sanity.

- Edgar Allan Poe

One day we will realize that big hearts will bring us more peace than big weapons.

- Anthony Douglas Williams

People exclaim “that’s impossible” (until it isn’t). People whine “that’ll never happen” (until it does). People sneer “You’re wasting your time” (until it pays off).

History books are filled with people who were called crazy by those who were lazy.

- Unknown

“I am” - two of the most powerful words; for what you put after them shapes your reality.

- Unknown

The society which scorns excellence in plumbing as a humble activity and tolerates shoddiness in philosophy because it is an exalted activity will have neither good plumbing nor good philosophy: neither its pipes nor its theories will hold water.

- John Gardner

If you don’t chase your dreams, you’ll never catch them.

- Unknown

There are two ways to be fooled. One is to believe what isn’t true; the other is to refuse to accept what is true.

- Soren Kierkegaard

Don't settle. You have a choice. To accept the current conditions as they are or to accept the responsibility for changing them. Don't be afraid to change.

- Unknown

A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself.

- Joseph Campbell

Make every day your masterpiece.

- John Wooden

Writing is like driving a car at night. You can only see as far as the headlights, but you make the whole trip that way.

- E. L. Doctorow

When we are no longer able to change a situation, we are challenged to change ourselves.

- Victor Frankl

Don't wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great.

- Orison Swett Marden

Me, myself and I: the “Unholy Trinity”.

- Unknown

True poverty is when you stop depending on God for anything and everything.

- Susie

My heart wants roots, but my mind wants wings. I cannot bear their bickering.

- E. Y. Harburg

You will only be remembered for two things: The problems you solve, or the ones you create.

- Unknown

The future starts today, not tomorrow.

- Pope John Paul II

Habit is either the best of servants or the worst of masters.

- Nathaniel Emmons

One of the most common causes of failure is the habit of quitting when one is overtaken by temporary defeat.

- Napoleon Hill

Just remember, when you're over the hill,
you pick up speed. - Charles M. Schultz

Being tender and open is beautiful. As a woman, I feel continually shhh'ed: too sensitive, too mushy, too wishy washy. Blah blah. Don't let someone steal your tenderness. Don't allow the coldness and fear of others to tarnish your perfectly vulnerable beating heart.
- Zooey Deschanel

One cannot help being old, but one can resist being aged. - Unknown

It is our choices that show what we truly are, far more than our abilities. - J. K. Rowling

Preconceived notions are locks on the door to wisdom. - Merry Browne

Much may be done in those little shreds and patches of time which every day produces, and which many men throw away.
- Charles Caleb Colton

Sometimes your only available transportation is a leap of faith. - Margaret Shepherd

You may have to fight a battle more than once to win it. - Margaret Thatcher

Nobody stands taller than those willing to stand corrected. - William Safire

As we enter the conflict, One comes and fights by our side, and through Him we are more than conquerors.

If we had waited, trembling and fearing, for our Helper to come before we would join the battle, we should have waited in vain.

God is waiting to pour richest blessings upon you. Press forward with bold confidence and take what is yours.

“I have begun to give, now begin to possess.”
- J. R. Miller

We work. You don't come here to take life easy. And we all got rich from it, so, you know, there's a benefit. - Unknown

He conquers who endures. - Persius

Be the person you want your child to be.
- Betsy Brown

There are some things that can only be found
in the experience of being lost. - Unknown

Never confuse movement with action.
- Ernest Hemingway

Seduce my mind and you can have my body,
find my soul and I'm yours forever. - Unknown

It's really simple. You have two choices:
You either bitch and whine and pretend to be
something you want to be but aren't, or you find
a way to get beyond your excuses and capture the
life you seek. - Hayley Hobson

The two most important days in your life are
the day you were born and the day you find out
why. - Mark Twain

Life is an adventure in forgiveness.

- Norman Cousins

Whoever is winning at the moment will
always seem to be invincible. - George Orwell

For long term happiness, enable short term
successes. - Unknown

It's the responsibility of every person at the
agency to bring joy to work at least four days a
week. (We all have bad days.) By the way, make
the fun visible to the people around you.
- Dead Ad Exec.

Letting go means to come to the realization
that some people are a part of your history, but not
a part of your destiny. - Steve Maraboli

Collect moments, not things!
- Unknown

If nothing changes, nothing changes.
- Courtney C. Stevens

Open your book of life only to a few people, because in this world, very few care to understand the chapters, others are just curious to know.

- Unknown

Maybe it's not about trying to fix something broken. Maybe it's about starting over and creating something better.

- Unknown

Unless it's mad, passionate, extraordinary love it's a waste of your time. There are too many mediocre things in life. Love shouldn't be one of them.

- Unknown

Raise your standards, choose to be with happy and supportive people. Don't let anyone belittle your dreams. They are real; fear is not.

- Unknown

Conscience is what hurts when everything else feels so good.

- Kevin Dutton

For every complex problem, there is an answer that is clear, simple, and wrong.

- H. L. Mencken

Effective leadership is putting first things first. Effective management is discipline, carrying it out.

- Stephen Covey

Children have never been very good at listening to their parents, but they have never failed to imitate them.

- James Baldwin

I can change. I can live out of my imagination, instead of my memory. I can tie myself to my limitless potential, instead of my limiting past.

- Stephen Covey

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

- Benjamin Disraeli

Change: It has the power to uplift, to heal, to stimulate, surprise, open new doors, bring fresh experience and create excitement in life. Certainly it is worth the risk.

- Unknown

The hard must become habit. The habit must become easy. The easy must become beautiful.

- Doug Henning

God determines who walks into your life. It is up to you to decide who you let walk away, who you let stay, and who you refuse to let go!

- Unknown

The ability to deal with people is as purchasable a commodity as sugar or coffee and I will pay more for that ability than for any other under the sun.

- John D. Rockefeller

Desperation is sometimes as powerful an inspirer as genius.

- Benjamin Disraeli

God moves. He is a moving God. He is never still. He is always doing, going, saying, effecting change in every sphere of creation.

- Unknown

Live as you will wish to have lived when you are dying.

- Christian Gellert

We don't live in a world of reality but in a world of perceptions.

- Unknown

Be approachable. Make people feel involved.
- Unknown

Your best teacher is the person offering you
your greatest challenge. - Unknown

When we have a disagreement, I don't roll
my eyes and wonder if I could find someone who
would agree with me more. Instead, I do the real
work with my partner to figure out how we can
codesign a life together that makes us both happy.
- Unknown

I am not looking for answers necessarily. I
think life exists in the questions. - Unknown

Success is falling nine times and getting up
ten. - Jon Bon Jovi

Love fully, live fully, grow fully, and give
fully. - Unknown



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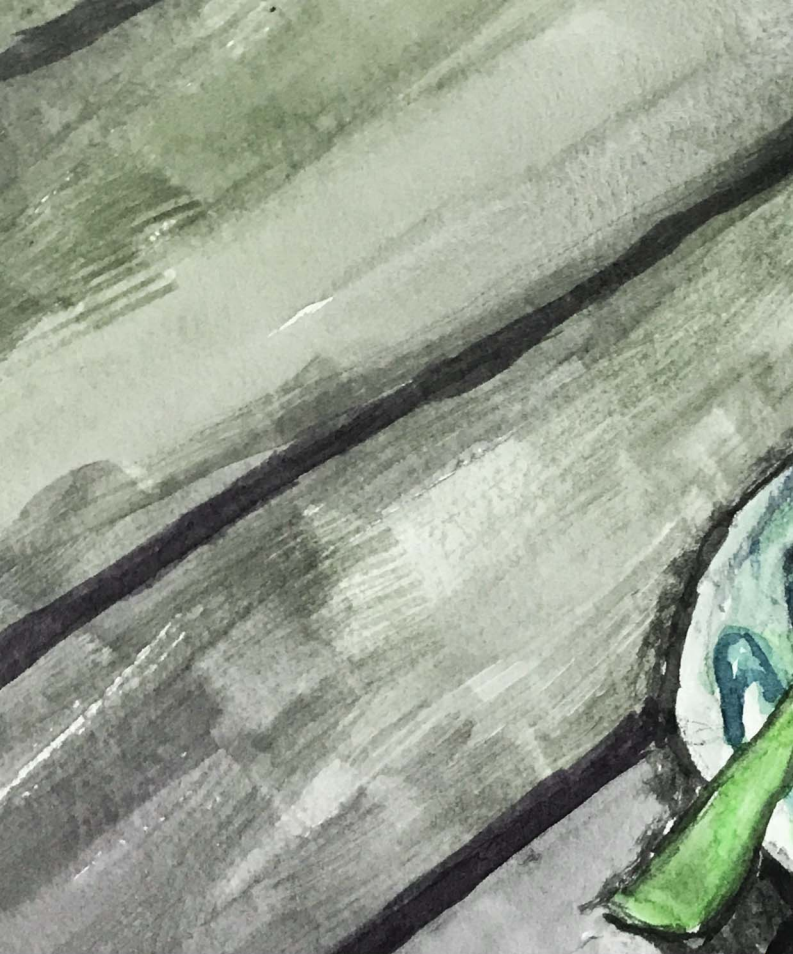
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