

Birds of a feather flock together and then poop on your car.

When I'm feeling down, I like to whistle. It makes the neighbor's dog run to the end of his chain and gag himself.

A penny saved is a government oversight.

The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement

He who hesitates is probably right.

Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are "XL."

If you think there is good in everybody, then you haven't met everybody.

If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

Love does not consist in gazing at each other, but in looking together in the same direction.

--Antoine de Saint-Exuper

In the course of my life, I have often had to eat my words, and I must confess that I have always found it a wholesome diet.

— Winston Churchill

A good friend is a connection to life - a tie to the past, a road to the future, the key to sanity in a totally insane world.

-Lois Wyse

If you want your dreams to come true, the first thing you have to do is wake up.

-J.M. Power

Little minds are tamed and subdued by misfortunes; but great minds rise above them.

--Washington Irving

We have to dare to be ourselves, however frightening or strange that self may prove to be.

-- May Sarton

When we heal the earth, we heal ourselves.

-David Orr

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

--Eleanor Roosevelt

Joy is the simplest form of gratitude.

--Karl Barth

Today I will do what others won't, so tomorrow I can accomplish what others can't.

-Jerry Rice

The only way to worry about nothing is to pray about everything.

--Unknown

Although the world is full of suffering, it is full also of the overcoming of it.

--Helen Keller

Clouds come floating into my life, no longer to carry rain or usher storm, but to add color to my sunset sky.

--Rabindranath Tagore

Marriage is not a noun; it's a verb. It isn't something you get. It's something you do. It's the way you love your partner every day.

--Barbara De Angelis

Give advice to your children while they're young enough to believe you know what you're talking about.

— Author Unknown

A candle loses nothing by lighting another candle.

--Erin Majors

Friendship, love, health, energy, enthusiasm, and joy are the things that make life worth living and exploring.

--Denise Austin

Regardless of what came before or of what has yet to come, what matters most right now is how I choose to respond to the challenge before me. Will I lie down or will I fight? The choice is mine and I choose to Finish Strong.

--Dan Green, Finish Strong

If you want to be thought of as a solid, reliable pillar of your community when you're 50, you can't be an irresponsible, corner-cutting exploiter at 25....You determine your reputation by deciding who and what you are and by keeping that lofty vision of yourself in mind, even when you're having a rip-roaring good time.

--William Raspberry

A real friend is one who walks in when the rest of the world walks out.

--Walter Winchell

The only way to have a friend is to be one.

--Ralph Waldo Emerson

The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value. I love the man that can smile in trouble, that can gather strength from distress and grow brave by reflection. 'Tis the business of little minds to shrink; but he whose heart is firm, and whose conscience approves his conduct, will pursue his principles unto death.

-- Thomas Paine

Set peace of mind as your highest goal, and organize your life around it.

~ Brian Tracy

All kids are gifted; some just open their packages earlier than others.

-Michael Carr

Each day offers us the gift of being a special occasion if we can simply learn that as well as giving, it is blessed to receive with grace and a grateful heart.

— Sarah Ban Breathnach

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

--Albert Schweitzer

Have a heart that never hardens, a temper that never tires, a touch that never hurts.

— Charles Dickens

When faced with a challenge, look for a way, not a way out.

--David L. Weatherford

I believe in pink. I believe that laughing is the best calorie burner. I believe in kissing, kissing a lot. I believe in being strong when everything seems to be going wrong. I believe that happy girls are the prettiest girls. I believe that tomorrow is another day and I believe in miracles.

--Audrey Hepburn.

What are your personal anchors—people, things, places, or rituals—that keep you connected to yourself, your sense of well-being, and your feelings? What makes you feel secure in the world? Who or what can you count on for support? Make a list of these anchors so you can access them when you feel stranded and unsure.

--Gail McMeekin

May the Irish hills caress you. May her lakes and rivers bless you. May the luck of the Irish enfold you. May the blessings of Saint Patrick behold you.

-Irish Blessing

"Just living isn't enough," said the butterfly, "One must also have freedom, sunshine, and a little flower."

-- Hans Christian Anderson

Be patient. God knows what He's doing. God knows what's best for you. He can see the end result. You can't. All those problems, heartaches, difficulties and delays, all the things that make you ask "why", one day it will all be clear in the light of God's love. One day you will stand in the full light of eternity and view the big picture. You'll see God's purpose behind the path He specifically chose for you.

--Pastor Rick Warren

Great occasions do not make heroes or cowards; they simply unveil them to the eyes. Silently and imperceptibly, as we wake or sleep, we grow strong or we grow weak, and at last some crisis shows us what we have become.

-Bishop Westcott

Faith is the bird that feels the light, and sings when the dawn is still dark.

--Rabindranath Tagore

Better keep yourself clean and bright; you are the window through which you must see the world.

-- George Bernard Shaw

Time you enjoy wasting, is not wasted.

--John Lennon

We cannot do everything at once, but we can do something at once.

--Calvin Coolidge

What you leave behind is not what is engraved in stone monuments, but what is woven into the lives of others.

--Pericles

If there is any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow human being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again.

-William Penn

To fulfill a dream, to be allowed to sweat over lonely labor, to be given the chance to create, is the meat and potatoes of life.  
-Bette Davis

You don't need a lot of friends to make it in this world, but you do need a few good ones. One good friendship is better than ten thousand acquaintances. The acquaintances aren't going to be there in the crisis. Friends will.  
--Pastor Rick Warren

Better to do something imperfectly than to do nothing flawlessly.  
--Robert Schuller

You've got a lot of choices. If getting out of bed in the morning is a chore and you're not smiling on a regular basis, try another choice.  
— Steven D. Woodhull

Don't measure a man's success by how high he climbs, but how high he bounces when he hits bottom.  
--General George S. Patton

Create the kind of self you will be happy to live with all your life.  
-Foster C. McClellan

The human race has only one really effective weapon, and that is laughter. The moment it arises, all your irritations and resentments slip away and the sunny spirit takes their place.  
--Mark Twain

Let your hook always be cast; in the stream where you least expect it, there will be a fish.  
--Ovid

Breathe. Let go. And remind yourself that this very moment is the only one you know you have for sure.  
— Oprah Winfrey

From every human being there rises a light that reaches straight to heaven, and when two souls that are destined to be together find each other, the streams of light flow together and a single brighter light goes forth from that united being.  
--Ba'al Shem Tov

Many of our fears are tissue-paper thin, and a single courageous step would carry us clear through them.  
--Brendan Francis

Love is like a friendship caught on fire. In the beginning a flame, very pretty, often hot and fierce, but still only light and flickering. As love grows older, our hearts mature and our love becomes as coals, deep-burning and unquenchable.

--Bruce Lee

I always cook with wine. Sometimes I even add it to the food.  
--W.C. Fields

Who you are, what your values are, what you stand for...they are your anchor, your north star. You won't find them in a book. You'll find them in your soul.  
--Anne M. Mulcahy

You get the best efforts from others not by lighting a fire beneath them, but by building a fire within them.  
-- Bob Nelson

Prejudices, it is well known, are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soil has never been loosened or fertilized by education; they grow there, firm as weeds along rocks.  
- Charlotte Bronte

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; They just make the most of everything they have.

Before you can score, you must first have a goal.

--Greek Proverb

If you look to others for fulfillment, you will never truly be fulfilled. If your happiness depends on money, you will never be happy with yourself. Be content with what you have; rejoice in the way things are. When you realize there is nothing lacking, the whole world belongs to you.

--Lao Tzu

To the world you may be just one person, but to one person you may be the world.

--G.K. Chesterton

People may fail many times, but they become failures only when they begin to blame someone else.

--Unknown

There is only one you for all time. Fearlessly be yourself.

--Anthony Rapp

Life is what happens to you while you're busy making other plans.

--John Lennon

Think of all the beauty still left around you and be happy.

-- Anne Frank

Life is an endless struggle full of frustrations and challenges, but eventually you find a hair stylist you like.

--Author unknown

Like an unchecked cancer, hate corrodes the personality and eats away its vital unity. Hate destroys a man's sense of values and his objectivity. It causes him to describe the beautiful as ugly and the ugly as beautiful, and to confuse the true with the false and the false with the true.

-- Martin Luther King Jr., "Strength To Love" (1963)

I look to a day when people will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

The toughest part of parenthood has nothing to do with putting food on the table, clothes in the closet, or tuition money in the bank. The toughest part of parenthood is never knowing if you're doing the right thing.

--D. L. Stewart

Just as each runner in a race is given a different lane to run in, we must individually "run with patience the particular race that God has set before us." (Hebrews 12:1 LB) Don't be envious of the runner in the lane next to you; just focus on finishing your own race.

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

--Thomas Szasz

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity... Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow.

~Melody Beattie

I would rather fail trying than succeed at doing nothing.

-- Denis Waitley

The naked truth is always better than the best dressed lie.

--Ann Landers

The greater part of our happiness depends on our dispositions and not on our circumstances.

- Martha Washington

Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless.

--Mother Teresa

The more I want to get something done, the less I call it work.

~Richard Bach

If you can't be a good example, then you'll just have to be a horrible warning.

- Catherine Aird

Imagination was given to us to compensate for what we are not; a sense of humor was given to us to console us for what we are.

- Mark McGinnis

It is Christmas every time you let God love others through you....Yes, it is Christmas every time you smile at your brother and offer him your hand.

~Mother Teresa

A friend is someone who knows the song in your heart, and can sing it back to you when you have forgotten the words.

~Donna Roberts

A pessimist is one who sees a difficulty in every opportunity. An optimist is one who sees an opportunity in every difficulty.

--L. P. Jacks

People come into your life for a reason, a season, or a lifetime. When you figure out which it is, you'll know exactly what to do.

- Michelle Ventor

He is a wise man who does not grieve for the things which he has not, but rejoices for those which he has.

- Epictetus

I want to sing like the birds sing, not worrying about who hears or what they think.

--Rumi

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

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--Pastor Rick Warren

Through the balance and the chaos, we alone are responsible for our own happiness and success -- or lack of it. It's up to us to design a life that works.

--Cynthia Good

Embrace your uniqueness. Time is much too short to be living someone else's life.

- Kobi Yamada

Always do right. This will gratify some people, and astonish the rest.

--Mark Twain

You're never as good as everyone tells you when you win, and you're never as bad as they say when you lose.

-- Lou Holtz

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

-- James Baldwin

Do not spoil what you have by desiring what you have not; remember that what you now have was once among the things only hoped for.

-- Epicurus

When I hear somebody sigh, "Life is hard," I am always tempted to ask, "Compared to what?"

-- Sydney J. Harris

Maturity is the ability to do a job whether or not you are supervised, to carry money without spending it, and to bear an injustice without wanting to get even.

-Ann Landers

Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape.

-- Dr. Michael McGriffy

Everything works out in the end. If it hasn't worked out, it's not the end.

--Unknown

Nobody can be exactly like me. Even I have trouble doing it.

-- Tallulah Bankhead

I value the friend who finds time for me on his calendar, but I cherish the friend who for me does not consult his calendar.

--Robert Brault

To be nobody but yourself, in a world which is doing its best, night and day, to make you everybody else means to fight the hardest battle that any human being can fight--and never stop fighting.

-E.E. Cummings

Behold the turtle. He only makes progress when he sticks his neck out.

--James Bryant Conant

The true test of character is not how much we know how to do, but how we behave when we don't know what to do.

--John Holt

Wherever you are, whatever your circumstances may be, whatever misfortune you may have suffered, the music of your life has not gone. It's inside you -- if you listen to it, you can play it.

-- Nido Qubein

The will to succeed is important, but what's even more important is the will to prepare.

--Bobby Knight

The efforts which we make to escape from our destiny only serve to lead us into it.

--Ralph Waldo Emerson

Maturity is thinking you know what you want out of life; Success is thinking you are getting what you want from life; Happiness is wanting what you get in life.

As you go the way of life you will see a great chasm. Jump. It is not as wide as you think.

-- Native American Proverb

When God takes something from your grasp, He's not punishing you, but merely opening your hands to receive something else.

Three grand essentials to happiness in this life are something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.

-Jose Addison

It is better to be in chains with friends than to be in a garden with strangers.

--Persian proverb

Life is change. Growth is optional. Choose wisely.

-- Karen Kaiser Clark

Ultimately, it's up to each of us to choose how we will live our lives, hold ourselves to high standards, and continually evaluate what's inside the image we see in the mirror.

-- Eric Harvey

The beginning is the most important part of any work.

-Plato

There are no shortcuts to any place worth going.

--Beverly Sills

When nothing seems to help, I go and look at a stonecutter hammering away at his rock, perhaps a hundred times without as much as a crack showing in it. Yet at the hundred and first blow it will split in two, and I know it was not that last blow that did it, but all that had gone before.

-Jacob A. Riis

God promises a safe landing but not a calm passage.

--Bulgarian proverb

A man who works with his hands is a laborer; a man who works with his hands and his brain is a craftsman; but a man who works with his hands and his brain and his heart is an artist.

-- Louis Nizer

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

-- Maya Angelou

Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind don't matter and those who matter don't mind.

-Dr. Seuss

Remove the rock from your shoe rather than learn to limp comfortably.

--Stephen C. Paul and Gary Max Collins

When faced with a challenge, look for a way, not a way out.

-David L. Weatherford



It's always too early to quit.  
--Norman Vincent Peale

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

Be like a postage stamp. Stick to one thing until you get there.  
--Josh Billings

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

We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit.  
--Aristotle

Angels fly because they take themselves lightly.  
-Jean Cocteau

Growth is the only evidence of life.  
- John Henry Newman

If your neighbor looks at you like they don't enjoy the key you're singing in, look right back, bless them, and keep on singing.  
- Odetta  
Life is a song - sing it. Life is a game - play it. Life is a challenge - meet it. Life is a dream - realize it.  
Life is a sacrifice - offer it. Life is love - enjoy it.  
- Sai Baba

Life affords no greater responsibility, no greater privilege, than the raising of the next generation.  
- C. Everett Koop, MD

Money will buy you a fine dog, but only love can make it wag its tail.  
- Richard Friedman

The jump is so frightening between where I am and where I want to be. Because of all I may become, I will close my eyes and leap.  
- Mary Anne Radmacher

Miracles are a retelling in small letters of the very same story which is written across the whole world in letters too large for some of us to see.  
- C.S. Lewis

Everyone who's ever taken a shower has an idea. It's the person who gets out of the shower, dries off, and does something about it that makes a difference.  
-Nolan Bushnell

For inspiration, look no further than the person staring back at you in the mirror, and hear the words, "I can."  
- Charles Handy

Luck is a matter of sweat. The more you sweat, the luckier you get.  
- Ray Kroc

The soul would have no rainbow, if the eyes had no tears.  
- John Vance Cheney

Money has never made man happy, nor will it. There is nothing in its nature to produce happiness. The more of it one has, the more one wants.

- Benjamin Franklin

The mediocre teacher tells. The good teacher explains. The superior teacher demonstrates. The great teacher inspires.

- William Arthur Ward

Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined.

- Henry David Thoreau

If my life is broken when given to Jesus, it is because pieces will feed a multitude, while a loaf will satisfy only a little lad.

- Ruth Stull

Seeking the good in every experience ensures that you will bring your better self into every encounter. Lives change when we do this - ours as well as those we journey with today.

- Karen Casey

Well done is better than well said.

- Benjamin Franklin

Look at life through the windshield, not the rear view mirror.

- Byrd Baggett

Home is the place where, when you have to go there, they have to let you in.

- Robert Frost

Until you make peace with who you are, you'll never be content with what you have.

- Doris Mortman

Perhaps our eyes need to be washed by our tears once in a while, so that we can see life with a clearer view again.

- Alex Tan

Life is full of beauty. Notice it. Notice the bumble bee, the small child, and the smiling faces. Smell the rain, and feel the wind.

— Ashley Smith

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

- Thomas Edison

Tact is the rare ability to keep silent while two friends are fighting, and you know both of them are wrong.

-Hugh Allen

Love yourself first, and everything else falls into line. You really have to love yourself to get anything done in this world.

- Lucille Ball

Just as your car runs more smoothly and requires less energy to go faster and farther when the wheels are in perfect alignment, you perform better when your thoughts, feelings, emotions, goals, and values are in balance.

- Brian Tracy

Begin challenging your own assumptions. Your assumptions are your windows on the world. Scrub them off every once in awhile, or the light won't come in.

-Alan Alda

Happiness comes of the capacity to feel deeply, to enjoy simply, to think freely, to risk life, to be needed.

- Storm Jameson

You are my family, but we don't share blood. You are my family by choice. The most powerful bond is the one that we choose. I choose you as my friend, and rejoice.

- Jonathan Lockwood Huie

If you're already in a hole, it's no use to continue digging.

-Roy W. Walters

The most important thing in life is to learn how to give out love, and to let it come in.

— Morrie Schwartz

Do the right thing. It will gratify some people and astonish the rest.

- Mark Twain

Outside of a dog, a book is man's best friend. Inside of a dog, it's too dark to read.

- Groucho Marx

Begin to see yourself as a soul with a body rather than a body with a soul.

- Wayne Dyer

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Just as an oak tree grows from a little acorn, so does great character grow from many decisions that may, at the time, seem very minor.

- Ben M. Herbster

I am only one; but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. I will not refuse to do the something I can do.

-- Helen Keller

Think for yourself and let others enjoy the privilege of doing so as well.

- Voltaire

A true friend is someone who thinks that you are a good egg even though they know that you are slightly cracked.

— Bernard Meltzer

Hatred paralyzes life; love releases it. Hatred confuses life; love harmonizes it. Hatred darkens life; love illumines it.

- Martin Luther King Jr.

If you can dream it, you can do it. Always remember this whole thing was started by a mouse.

-Walt Disney

A person should be like a watch: open-faced, busy hands, well-regulated, and full of good works.

- Roy B. Zuck

For every door that closes, there will be another one that opens. It's the hell in the hallway that's hard to get through.

- Marlys DeVries

The reason so few people are successful is no one has yet found a way for someone to sit down and slide uphill.

- W. Clement Stone

The important thing is not that we can live on hope alone, but that life is not worth living without it.

- Harvey Milk

Gardening is about enjoying the smell of things growing in the soil, getting dirty without feeling guilty, and generally taking the time to soak up a little peace and serenity.

- Lindley Karstens

Never doubt in the dark what God told you in the light.

- Raymond Edman

The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one.

- Oscar Wilde

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

- Rabindranath Tagore

Happiness...is not a destination. It is a manner of traveling. Happiness is not an end in itself. It is a by-product of working, playing, loving and living.

- Haim Ginott

You don't really understand human nature unless you know why a child on a merry-go-round will wave at her parents every time around - and why her parents will always wave back.

- William D. Tammeus

What happens when you believe something with all your heart? Belief fuels enthusiasm, and determined enthusiasm explodes into passion. It fires our souls and uplifts our spirits.

- Mac Anderson

Happiness is like a butterfly; the more you chase it, the more it will elude you, but if you sit down quietly, it may come and sit softly on your shoulder...

- Henry David Thoreau

Courage does not always roar. Sometimes courage is that quiet voice at the end of the day that says...I will try again tomorrow.

- Mary Anne Radmacher

People need joy quite as much as clothing. Some of them need it far more.

- Margaret Collier Graham (1850-1910) Writer

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Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith.

- Henry Ward Beecher

Tension is who you think you should be. Relaxation is who you are.

- Chinese Proverb

The greatest glory in living lies not in never failing, but in rising every time we fail.

- Nelson Mandela

When it hurts to look back, and you're scared to look ahead, you can look beside you and your best friend will be there.

- Anonymous

Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people.

- Eleanor Roosevelt

To live is to choose. But to choose well, you must know who you are and what you stand for, where you want to go and why you want to get there.

-Kofi Annan

A person without a sense of humor is like a wagon without springs,jolted by every pebble in the road.

--Henry Ward Beecher

Life is not a matter of holding good cards, but playing a poor hand well.

- Robert Louis Stevenson

In your hands, you hold the seeds of failure or the potential for greatness. Your hands are capable, but they must be used and for the right things to reap the rewards you are capable of attaining. The choice is yours.

- Zig Ziglar

Life is 10% what you make it, and 90% how you take it.

- Benjamin Franklin

Conditions are never just right. People who delay action until all factors are favorable are the kind who do nothing.

--William Feather

Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we're here, we should dance.

-Unknown

God wants to use you to make a difference in his world. He wants to work through you. What matters is not the duration of your life, but the donation of it. Not how long you lived, but how you lived.

- Pastor Rick Warren

I am thankful for laughter, except when milk comes out my nose.

- Woody Allen

All the great things are simple, and many can be expressed in a single word: freedom, justice, honor, duty, mercy, hope.

- Winston Churchill

Excellence is the result of caring more than others think is wise, risking more than others think is safe, dreaming more than others think is practical, and expecting more than others think is possible.

- Unknown

If opportunity doesn't knock, build a door.

-- Milton Berle

There's no half-singing in the shower; you're either a rock star or an opera diva.

- Josh Groban

Everything comes to him who hustles while he waits.

- Thomas Edison

Friends are those rare people who ask how we are and then wait to hear the answer.

- Anonymous

We are as happy as we make up our minds to be.

-Abraham Lincoln

Nothing is a waste of time if you use the experience wisely.  
--Auguste Rodin

I have enough money to last me the rest of my life, unless I buy something.  
-Jackie Mason

Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.  
- Theodore Roosevelt

Strength is the capacity to break a chocolate bar into four pieces with your bare hands and then eat just one of the pieces.  
- Judith Vorst

If you don't know where you are going, any road will get you there.  
-Lewis Carroll

Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another: "What? You too? I thought I was the only one."  
--C. S. Lewis

Life is no brief candle to me. It is a sort of splendid 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

There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle.  
- Albert Einstein

Men who have a pierced ear are better prepared for marriage - they've experienced pain and bought jewelry.  
- Rita Rudner

Coming to terms with the parts of a change that you cannot control is critical to being successful. The most constructive thing you can do is: Recognize they exist. See them for what they're worth. Let them go.  
--Chris Clarke-Epstein

Minds are like parachutes. They only function when they are open.  
- James Dewar

Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did do.

So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.  
- Mark Twain

None are so empty as those who are full of themselves.  
-- Benjamin Whichcote

I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life.  
-Abraham Lincoln

My mom is a never ending song in my heart of comfort, happiness, and being. I may sometimes forget the words but I always remember the tune.  
-Graycie Harmon

A mother is a person who seeing there are only four pieces of pie for five people, promptly announces she never did care for pie.  
-Tenneva Jordan

If criticism is mistaken or mean-spirited, rise above it. Maintain the high ground when you're under fire. No victory is worth winning at the expense of picking up the mud that has been slung at you and throwing it back.

- Rubel Shelly

If you judge people, you have no time to love them.

- Mother Teresa

Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man.

- Rabindranath Tagore

Winning in life is more than just money... it's about winning on the inside...and knowing that you have played the game of life with all you had... and then some.

- Doug Firebaugh

Life loves to be taken by the lapel and told, "I'm with you kid. Let's go."

- Maya Angelou

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- Melody Beattie

Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one.

- Jane Howard

It's never crowded along the extra mile.

- Wayne Dyer

If future generations are to remember us more with gratitude than sorrow, we must achieve more than just the miracles of technology. We must also leave them a glimpse of the world as it was created, not just as it looked when we got through with it.

- Lyndon B. Johnson

A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

- Herm Albright

Look at your past. Your past has determined where you are at this moment.

What you do today will determine where you are tomorrow. Are you moving forward or standing still?

-Tom Hopkins

Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss it you will land among the stars.

- Les Brown

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.

- C. S. Lewis

To laugh often and much; to win the respect of intelligent people and the affection of children;

to leave the world a better place; to know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived; this is to have succeeded.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Do you remember the things you were worrying about a year ago? Didn't you waste a lot of fruitless energy on account of most of them? Didn't most of them turn out all right after all?

- Dale Carnegie

Use your imagination not to scare yourself to death but to inspire yourself to life.

- Adele Brookman

I would like to have engraved inside every wedding band, "Be kind to one another." This is the Golden Rule of marriage and the secret of making love last through the years.

- Randolph Ray

Laugh when you can, apologize when you should, and let go of what you can't change. Life's too short to be anything... but happy.

- Anonymous

You might be in a situation right now where everything is going wrong and you can't figure it out. But God knows. Nothing in your life is accidental. The pleasures and pains, the opportunities and obstacles, God can use it all. There is nothing God cannot use for good in your life if you'll give it to him.

- Pastor Rick Warren

You only live once. But if you work it right, once is enough.

- Fred Allen

Use the talents you possess; the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except those that sang best.

- Henry Van Dyke

A diamond is a piece of coal that stuck to the job.

- Michael Larsen

If you cannot be the poet, be the poem.

- David Carradine

Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime.

- Mark Twain

Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else.

- Judy Garland

You have not lived a perfect day...unless you have done something for someone who will never be able to repay you.

- Ruth Smeltzer

I always wondered why somebody didn't do something about that, then I realized I was somebody.

- Lily Tomlin

Success is the ability to close the door on your past, regardless of your failures, and move forward. In other words, if you're not on the way, you're in the way, so it's best that you get out of the way.

- Bill White

You don't just accidentally show up in the World Series.

- Derek Jeter

Obstacles cannot crush me. Every obstacle yields to stern resolve. He who is fixed to a star does not change his mind.

- Leonardo DA Vinci

Sharing food with another human being is an intimate act that should not be indulged in lightly.

— MFK Fisher



Live with intention. Walk to the edge. Listen hard. Practice wellness. Play with abandon. Laugh. Choose with no regret. Appreciate your friends. Continue to learn. Do what you love. Live as if this is all there is.

- Mary Anne Radmacher

There will come a time when you believe everything is finished. That will be the beginning.

- Louis L'Amour

It is possible to give without loving, but it is impossible to love without giving.

--Richard Braunstein

The best of all gifts around any Christmas tree is the presence of a happy family all wrapped up in each other.

- Burton Hills

You can't keep blaming yourself. Just blame yourself once, and move on.

- Homer Simpson

People are like stained-glass windows. They sparkle and shine when the sun is out, but when the darkness sets in, their true beauty is revealed only if there is a light from within.

- Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

The very least you can do in your life is to figure out what you hope for. And the most you can do is live inside that hope. Not admire it from a distance but live right in it, under its roof.

- Barbara Kingsolver

It is more important to be in time than on time.

- John Mbiti

God examines both rich and poor, not according to their lands and houses, but according to the riches of their hearts.

- Augustine of Hippo

A bend in the road is not the end of the road...unless you fail to make the turn.

- Unknown

It is better to be a lion for a day, than a sheep all your life.

- Elizabeth Kenny

Sooner or later we all quote our mothers.

- Bern Williams

A ruffled mind makes a restless pillow.

- Charlotte Bronte

Teaching is not always about passing on what you know, it is about passing on who you are.

- Julia Loggins

Excellence is the result of caring more than others think is wise, risking more than others think is safe, dreaming more than others think is practical, and expecting more than others think is possible.

- Anonymous

Laying down your arms, surrendering, saying you are sorry, realizing that you have been on the wrong track and getting ready to start life over again from the ground floor that is the only way out of a hole.

- C.S. Lewis

Fear less, hope more; Eat less, chew more; Whine less, breathe more; Talk less, say more; Love more, and all good things will be yours.

- Swedish Proverb

To avoid criticism, do nothing, say nothing, and be nothing.

- Elbert Hubbard

The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

- Helen Keller

I get by with a little help from my friends.

- John Lennon

Don't live down to expectations. Go out there and do something remarkable.

- Wendy Wasserstein

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

- Albert Schweitzer

Friends share our pain and touch our wounds with a gentle and tender hand.

- Henri Nouwen

God never promises to remove us from our struggles. He does promise, however, to change the way we look at them.

- Max Lucado

Three grand essentials to happiness in this life are something to do, something to love, and something to hope for.

- Joseph Addison

It's not the mountain ahead that wears you out; it's the grain of sand in your shoe.

- Robert W. Service

To love and win is the best thing. To love and lose, the next best.

- William M. Thackeray

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

Learn everything you can, anytime you can, from anyone you can. There will always come a time when you will be grateful you did.

- Sarah Caldwell

Success is not final, failure is not fatal. It is the courage to continue that counts.

- Winston Churchill

You can't shake hands with a clenched fist.

- Indira Gandhi

Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness: kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile.

-Mother Teresa

If you have left some important thing in your life undone, go back and finish the job, and the future will open up for you. Every unfinished task, big or small, weighs on your enthusiasm to start another job.

- Elwin Valley

Lower your expectations of earth. This isn't heaven, so don't expect it to be.

- Max Lucado

Just the knowledge that a good book is awaiting one at the end of a long day makes that day happier.

- Kathleen Norris

Cooking is like love. It should be entered into with abandon - or not at all.

- Harriet Van Horne

To live is to choose. But to choose well, you must know who you are and what you stand for, where you want to go and why you want to get there.

- Kofi Annan

Our language is funny--a fat chance and a slim chance are the same thing.

- J. Gustav White

Here is a test to find whether your mission on earth is finished: If you are alive, it isn't.

Learn from the past, set vivid, detailed goals for the future, and live in the only moment of time over which you have any control: now.

- Denis Waitley

Let there be peace on earth. And let it begin with me.

- Jill Jackson Miller

Imitate until you emulate; match and surpass those who launched you. It's the highest form of thankfulness.

- Mark Victor Hansen

You can't think your way into acting positively, but you can act your way into thinking positively.

- Nido Qubein

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- Anonymous

If you worried about falling off the bike, you'd never get on.

- Lance Armstrong

Home computers are being called upon to perform many new functions, including the consumption of homework formerly eaten by the dog.

- Doug Larson

I can't believe that God put us on this earth to be ordinary.

- Lou Holtz

For every minute you are angry, you lose 60 seconds of happiness.

- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Security is mostly a superstition. It does not exist in nature, nor do the children of men as a whole experience it. Avoiding danger is no safer in the long run than outright exposure. Life is either a daring adventure, or nothing.

- Helen Keller

You're off to great places! Today is your day! Your mountain is waiting. So get on your way!

- Dr. Seuss

Experience is a hard teacher because she gives the test first, the lesson afterward.

- Vernon Law

Never try to teach a pig to sing. It wastes your time and annoys the pig.

- Mark Twain

Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.

- Mark Twain

It's not the things we get but the hearts we touch that will determine our success in life.

- Mac Anderson

I don't like that man. I must get to know him better.

- Abraham Lincoln

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

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--Melody Beattie

Right now you are one choice away from a new beginning.

--Oprah Winfrey

The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.

-- Henry Ward Beecher

The foolish seek happiness in the distance; the wise grow it under their feet.

-- James Oppenheim

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well.

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

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

--Denis Waitley

To be brave is to love someone unconditionally, without expecting anything in return. To just give. That takes courage; because we don't want to fall on our faces or leave ourselves open to hurt.

--Madonna

If we fail to nourish our souls, they wither, and without soul, life ceases to have meaning.

-- Marion Woodman

It was never what I wanted to buy that held my heart's hope. It was what I wanted to be.

-- Lois McMaster Bujold

Nobody can go back and start a new beginning, but anyone can start today and make a new ending.

-- Maria Robinson

When you recover or discover something that nourishes your soul and brings joy, care enough about yourself to make room for it in your life

--Jean Shinoda Bolen

God doesn't hold a grudge. If you have received Jesus as your Savior, then there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ. He doesn't rub it in, he rubs it out.

--Pastor Rick Warren

The fishermen know that the sea is dangerous and the storm terrible but they have never found these dangers sufficient reason for remaining ashore.

--Vincent van Gogh

Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look what they can do when they stick together.

-- Vesta M. Kelly

Be kind and merciful. Let no one ever come to you without coming away better and happier.

-- Mother Teresa

In the end the great truth will have been learned, that the quest is greater than what is sought, the effort finer than the prize, or rather that the effort is the prize, the victory cheap and hollow were it not for the rigor of the game.

--Benjamin Cardozo

Take rest; a field that has rested gives a bountiful crop.

--Ovid

You can safely assume you've created God in your own image when it turns out he hates all the same people you do.

-- Anne Lamott

It's about the journey—mine and yours—and the lives we can touch, the legacy we can leave, and the world we can change for the better.

--Tony Dungy with Nathan Whitaker

Quiet Strength - Nothing gives one person so much advantage over another as to remain cool and unruffled under all circumstances.

-- Thomas Jefferson

All I have seen teaches me to trust the Creator for all I have not seen.

-- Ralph Waldo Emerson

Life can only be understood backwards, but must be lived forwards.

-- Soren Kierkegaard

Every problem has in it the seeds of its own solution. If you don't have any problems, you don't get any seeds.

--Norman Vincent Peale

We could never learn to be brave and patient if there were only joy in the world.

--Helen Keller

Yesterday is not ours to recover, but tomorrow is ours to win or to lose.

-Lyndon B. Johnson

Tomorrow is the most important thing in life. Comes into us at midnight very clean. It's perfect when it arrives and it puts itself in our hands. It hopes we've learned something from yesterday.

-- John Wayne

When I hear somebody sigh, 'Life is hard,' I am always tempted to ask, 'Compared to what?'

- Sydney J. Harris

Grief can take care of itself, but to get the full value of joy you must have somebody to divide it with.

~Mark Twain

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 person who won't cheat, then you know you never will.

-- John D. MacDonald

And the day came when the risk it took to remain tight inside the bud was more painful than the risk it took to blossom.

-- Anais Nin

Perseverance is not a long race; it is many short races one after another.

--Walter Elliot

We must accept finite disappointment, but we must never lose infinite hope.

--Martin Luther King

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How well I have learned that there is no fence to sit on between heaven and hell. There is a deep, wide gulf, a chasm, and in that chasm is no place for any man.

My arms are too short to box with God.

My record company would rather I'd be in prison than in church.

When God forgave me, I figured I'd better do it too.

-- Johnny Cash

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The marksman hitteth the mark partly by pulling, partly by letting go.

--Egyptian proverb

First they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you, then you win.

- Mahatma Gandhi

The most basic and powerful way to connect to another person is to listen. Just listen. Perhaps the most important thing we ever give each other is our attention... A loving silence often has far more power to heal and to connect than the most well-intentioned words.

--Rachel Naomi Remen

When we choose not to focus on what is missing from our lives but are grateful for the abundance that is present...we experience heaven on earth.

--Sarah Breathnach

Hope is the feeling we have that the feeling we have is not permanent.

-- Mignon McLaughlin

If you are at peace, then at least there is some peace in the world.

-Thomas Merton

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For attractive lips, speak words of kindness. For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people. For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry. For beautiful hair, let a child run his or her fingers through it once a day. For poise, walk with the knowledge that you'll never walk alone.

--Audrey Hepburn

Create the kind of self you will be happy to live with all your life.

--Foster C. McClellan

If you put fences around people, you get sheep.

--William McKnight

Expect to have hope rekindled. Expect your prayers to be answered in wondrous ways. The dry seasons in life do not last. The spring rains will come again.

-- Sarah Ban Breathnach

When you come to the edge of all the light you know, and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, faith is knowing one of two things will happen: there will be something solid to stand on, or you will be taught how to fly.

-- Barbara J. Winter

True heroism is remarkably sober, very undramatic. It is not the urge to surpass all others at whatever cost, but the urge to serve others at whatever cost.

--Arthur Ashe

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

-- Jeremy Kitson

Holding a grudge is like drinking poison and hoping the other person gets sick.

-- Joyce Meyers

You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.

-- Christopher Robin to Pooh

There is nothing wrong with America that the faith, love of freedom, intelligence, and energy of her citizens cannot cure.

--Dwight D. Eisenhower

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

When the heart grieves over what it has lost, the spirit rejoices over what it has left.

-Sufi Epigram

If you have only one smile in you, give it to the people you love.

--Maya Angelou

Take rest; a field that has rested gives a bountiful crop.

-Ovid

Never mistake knowledge for wisdom. One helps you make a living, the other helps you make a life.

-Sandra Carey

I've always wanted to be somebody. But I see now I should have been more specific.

--Jane Wagner

It is better to be prepared for an opportunity and not have one, than to have an opportunity and not be prepared.

-- Whitney Young, JR.

The most important words we'll ever utter are those words we say to ourselves, about ourselves, when we're by ourselves.

--Al Walker

A pessimist, they say, sees a glass of water as being half-empty; an optimist sees the same glass as half-full. But a giving person sees a glass of water and starts looking for someone who might be thirsty.

--G. Donald Gale

Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down.

-- Oprah Winfrey

I am careful not to confuse excellence with perfection. Excellence, I can reach for; perfection is God's business.

--Michael J Fox

You are where you are right now in your life because of the choices you have made and the actions you have taken. If you want to change your life, remember that change starts with you.

-Jeffrey Keller

The truth of the matter is that you always know the right thing to do. The hard part is doing it.

-- General H. Norman Schwarzkopf

Through humor, you can soften some of the worst blows that life delivers. And once you find laughter, no matter how painful your situation might be, you can survive it.

-- Bill Cosby

I seek opportunity--not security... I want to take the calculated risk; to dream and to build, to fail and to succeed...

I prefer the challenges of life to the guaranteed existence; the thrill of fulfillment to the stale calm of utopia... It is my heritage to stand erect, proud and unafraid; to think and act for myself, enjoy the benefit of my creations, and to face the world boldly and say, this I have done.

--Dean Alfange

The great gift of family life is to be intimately acquainted with people you might never even introduced yourself to had life not done it for you.

-Kendall Hailey

Self-pity is our worst enemy and if we yield to it, we can never do anything wise in this world.

--Helen Keller

Love wholeheartedly, be surprised, give thanks and praise then you will discover the fullness of your life.

--Brother David Steindl-Rast

How far you go in life depends on you being tender with the young, compassionate with the aged, sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and the strong. Because someday in life you will have been all of these.

-- George Washington Carver

The place to improve the world is first in one's own heart and head and hands, and then work outward from there.

--Robert Pirsig

Problems are only opportunities in work clothes.

--Henry J. Kaiser



The person who says it cannot be done should not interrupt the person who is doing it.

--Chinese Proverb

My husband and I divorced over religious differences. He thought he was God and I didn't.

I don't suffer from insanity; I enjoy every minute of it.

Some people are alive only because it's illegal to kill them.

I used to have a handle on life, but it broke.

Don't take life too seriously; no one gets out alive.

You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.

Beauty is in the eye of the beer holder.

Earth is the insane asylum for the universe.

I'm not a complete idiot -- Some parts are just missing.

Out of my mind. Back in five minutes.

God must love stupid people; He made so many.

The gene pool could use a little chlorine.

Consciousness: That annoying time between naps.

Ever stop to think, and forget to start again?

Being 'over the hill' is much better than being under it!

Wrinkled Was Not One of the Things I Wanted to Be When I Grew up.

Procrastinate Now!

A hangover is the wrath of grapes.

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a cash advance.

Stupidity is not a handicap. Park elsewhere!

He who dies with the most toys is nonetheless DEAD.

A picture is worth a thousand words, but it uses up three thousand times the memory.

The trouble with life is there's no background music.

I smile because I don't know what the hell is going on.

Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends! Life is too short and friends are too few.  
Yesterday is history. Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift. That's why it is called the present.  
--Unknown

A pearl is a beautiful thing that is produced by an injured life. It is the tear that results from the injury of the oyster. The treasure of our being in this world is also produced by an injured life. If we had not been wounded, if we had not been injured, then we will not produce the pearl.  
--Stephan Hoeller

Many of our fears are tissue-paper-thin, and a single courageous step would carry us clear through them.  
--Brendan Francis

A man loves his sweetheart the most, his wife the best, but his mother the longest.  
--Irish Proverb

Youth fades, love droops, the leaves of friendship fall; A mother's secret hope outlives them all.  
--Oliver Wendell Holmes

No language can express the power and beauty and heroism of a mother's love.  
--Edwin H. Chapin

Bringing up a family should be an adventure, not an anxious discipline in which everybody is constantly graded for performance.  
-- Milton R. Saperstein

Forgiveness is the fragrance the violet sheds on the heel that has crushed it.  
-- Mark Twain

We just need to put things in perspective, which means putting our trust in God, and holding onto the hope and promise that God knows what He is doing, even when we don't.  
--Judy Oliver

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

Today I am grateful for all those things that go missing because their absence reminds me of how blessed I am to have had them at all.  
-- Kate Nowak

Love is the condition in which the happiness of another person is essential to your own.  
-- Robert Heinlein

Perseverance: Sticking to something you're not stuck on.  
-Author unknown

Humans can live for about forty days without food, about three days without water, about eight minutes without air...but only for one second without hope.  
--Hal Lindsey

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

Those who danced were thought to be quite insane by those who could not hear the music.

-- John Milton

I am only one, but I am still one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do.

--Helen Keller

We either make ourselves happy or miserable. The amount of work is the same.

--Carlos Castaneda

Too many people miss out on the silver lining because they're expecting gold.

-- Maurice Setter

Friendship is a strong and habitual inclination in two persons to promote the good and happiness of one another.

--Eustace Budgell

Great opportunities to help others seldom come, but small ones surround us every day.

-- Sally Koch

Asking is the beginning of receiving. Make sure you don't go to the ocean with a teaspoon. At least take a bucket so the kids won't laugh at you.

-- Jim Rohn

Remember, today is the tomorrow you worried about yesterday.

- Dale Carnegie

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~Swedish Proverb

Love has no awareness of merit or demerit; it has no scale by which its portion may be weighed or measured. It does not seek to balance giving and receiving. Love loves; this is its nature.

- Howard Thurman

It takes 20 years to build a reputation and five minutes to ruin it. If you think about that, you'll do things differently.

- Warren Buffett

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

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

- Louisa May Alcott

The bad news is time flies. The good news is you're the pilot.

- Michael Althsuler

If you worried about falling off the bike, you'd never get on.

- Lance Armstrong

Service to others is the rent you pay for living on this planet.

- Marian Wright Edelman