



Wisdom Insights

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Wisdom Insights is a booklet that contains words, poems, precepts, adages, maxims, and axioms compiled by Bilal Maanaki from a variety of sources over the period of several years.

With words of comfort, motivation, and humor; there are hundreds of proverbs, precepts, maxims, adages, and axioms—5,529 to be exact—that prove just as true today as they did the day they were established.

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“Do not dream of defeat; dream of Him.
Do not look to yourself; look at Him.
Do not remember your past; remember Him.”

“Say to yourself, “I cannot fail, now.
It is God, now, and no longer I.”

“No one is tempted from without, but from within. It is not circumstances that tempt you, but desire; not matter, but mind.”

“One of the easy tricks of the devil is to persuade you that not you, but fate, is responsible for your sin; not you, but things and happenings. That is, God, but God tempts no man. No; when you are tempted, manfully stand to it. And the conquest of temptation is not the conquest of things, but of thought.”

“Look within.”

“In one lucky hour more rare things come to pass than sometimes in seven years.”

“Adversity is ever most bitter to him who hath long time lived in prosperity.”

“If you run after two hares you will catch neither.”

“Everyone talketh of that most he liketh best.”

“Honor is the reward of virtue.”

“Great honors are great burdens.”

“Honors change manners.”

“The hook is hidden under the bait.”

“Kings have long ears and large hands.”

“In knowing nothing is the sweetest life.”

“It is late to shut the stable door when the steed is stolen.”

“The whole course of life is a meditation of death, a pilgrimage.”

“Fathers should teach their children that they learn to live as if they were still at the point to die.”

“Follow life and it will flee thee;
Flee life and it will follow thee.”

“Love cannot be hidden in the breast without

suspicion.”

“Love comes by looking in at the eyes.”

“Love knoweth no laws.”

“They that love most speak least.”

“Hot love soon cold.”

“Man honors the place, not the place the man.”

“What! you can shut your mouth or open it when you choose, clinch your fingers or stretch them out, close your eyes or admit the light; and has God so formed you that your mind must be always open, for the access and free use of whatever foul emotion or sinful passion chooses to enter? Has God made you master of all parts of your being except the part most necessary for you to master, the controlling part, your feelings?”

“Never say that you cannot help your feelings, that you must be gloomy, nor lustful, or passionate, or intemperate, or heedless; you were made that way. That is to slander your Maker. You were not made that way. No; you were made to move as an ordered universe, your will at the center as absolute lord. You were made to say to this emotion, come, and it will come; and to that feeling, go, and it will go. God never fashioned

you to be slave of that most ignoble serfdom into which you have fallen, that bondage to your own base appetites.”

“Brother, there is no mastery for the finite except as it is mastered by the Infinite. Sooner could you grasp the reins of the stars, sooner could you guide the galaxies along their way, than hold the leash of your passions, alone.”

“Only by submission to God can you control your own spirit. Oh, yield to God, and your passions will yield to you! Talk with Him as you enter the day. Make withdrawal rooms in every task to talk with Him. Efface yourself, assume Him. Become nothing. Make Him your all.”

“The soul, secured in her existence, smiles at the drawn dagger, and defies its point.”

“A man of courage is also full of faith.”

“A coward never on himself relies,

but to an equal for assistance flies.”

“The coward only threatens when he is safe.”

“Gratitude is the heart’s memory.”

“The perfume of holiness travels even against the wind.”

“Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.”

“It allowable to learn even from an enemy.”

“To love God is the greatest of virtues; to be loved by God is the greatest blessings.”

“Persistence: When you have completed 95 per cent of your journey, you are only half way there.”

“He is the best preacher who can turn the ear into an eye.”

“A wise man makes his own decisions, an ignorant follows public opinion.”

“It is better to weep with wise men than to laugh with fools.”

“Wit without discretion is a fool with a sword.”

“Follow the wise few rather than the vulgar many.”

“Man punishes the action, but God the intention.”

“Sometimes quiet is disquieting.”

“It is a good thing for an uneducated man to read books of quotations.”

“I quote others only the better to express myself.”

“Suit your conversation to your company.”

“Concentrate on one thing at a time.”

“The vicious are swift to condemn the faults of others.”

“Sudden conversions are shams.”

“Courage and caution win the battle.”

“Blind courage is dangerous.”

“A tyrant is always a coward.”

“In the perfect circle of creation not an atom is lost.”

“Cowards creep – men walk upright.”

“Crime begets crime, as good begets good.”

“Fear is the constant shadow of crime.”

“For the crime one man goes to gallows, another to a throne.”

“Vice leads to crime, yet we wink at vice and abhor crime.”

“He who looks only for faults will never find beauty in anything.”

“Let your charity begin with your wife.”

“He chases three hares at once – all running in different directions.”

“Nothing is cheap that you do not need.”

“In the city we long for the country, in the country we pine for the city.”

“Cain- the slayer of his brother – built the first city.”

“Great cities are hot-beds of crime and corruption.”

“Great cities are full of little men.”

“What is civilization? A coat of varnish on the hide of the brute.”

“Under the cloak of virtue vices creep,
And wolves become shepherds of the sheep.”

“The man who is tired of himself seeks worse company.”

“Virtue in Aristotelian philosophy is a means to an end. The end is happiness. Happiness is not euphoria, satisfaction, or self-satisfaction. Happiness is not feeling good but doing well.”

“The end of a living being was living well; bare survival is not the goal.”

“If the human purpose is happiness, the human virtues are the tools.”

“Intellectual virtues and moral virtues can be cultivated through conscientious effort.”

“Virtues are acquired when regular practice of suitable actions makes them habitual. Habit, as Aristotle saw

it,

is a second nature.”

“Moral virtues are linked to intellectual virtues. A moral virtue is a disposition to choose actions in accordance with a mean discovered by reason (logos).”

“The virtuous habitually act thoughtfully.”

“Reason ennobles man, makes him resolute and imparts self-respect.”

“Moral virtues begin with abstemiousness. They include contentment with one’s lot, respectability (a mix of gravitas, self-respect, and high mindedness), hilm (clemency), sobriety (attentiveness, patience, composure in responding – virtues of a teacher or a pastor).”

“An ideal man is gentle, orderly, personable, cordial, conciliatory, serious, and pious.”

“Wisdom is means between cunning and stultification; intelligence a mean between sly and stolid.”

“The cardinal virtues are: wisdom, courage, and temperance.”

“A man of virtue is an honor to his country, a glory to

humanity, a satisfaction to himself, and a benefactor to the whole world. He is rich without oppression or dishonesty; charitable without ostentation; courteous without deceit, and brave without vice.”

“Sell not virtue to purchase wealth.”

“There is no glory, no true greatness without virtue.”

“Virtue and happiness are mother and daughter.”

“Virtue dwells not in the tongue, but in the heart.”

“Virtue maketh men on earth famous, in their graves illustrious, in the heavens immortal.”

“The virtue of young persons consists in not doing anything to an excess.”

“Good temper is like a sunny day; it sheds its brightness on everything.”

“An overly passionate temper renders a man unfit for advice, deprives him of his reason, robs him of all that is great and noble in his nature; it makes him unfit for conversation, destroys friendship, changes justice into cruelty, and turns all order into confusion.”

“An angry man shuts his eyes and opens his mouth.”

“Pride is connected with the word parade, and the German pracht show or splendor, as it signifies that high-flown temper in a man which makes him paint to himself every thing in himself as beautiful or splendid.”

“Vanity signifies exceeding emptiness.”

“Pride is good or bad; vanity always bad. Pride makes us esteem ourselves; vanity makes us desire the esteem of others.”

“Charity rejoices in our neighbors’ good, while envy grieves over it.”

“He who envies others does not achieve peace.”

“A proud monk needs no demon. He has turned into one, an enemy to himself.”

“Of all the marvelous works of Deity, perhaps there is nothing that angels behold with such supreme astonishment as a proud man.”

“Pride says, “I am the lord my god, and I shall have no other gods besides me,” and, “I shall love the lord my

Self with all my heart, soul, strength and mind.””

“In this hectic age, when most of us are unsure, confused and troubled, the surest anchors, guides and advisors are the wise sayings of great men of the past.”

“One of the greatest treasures is a collection of wise sayings and proverbs for sharpening the mind.”

“The best answer to anger is silence.”

“Great things are done more through courage than through wisdom.”

“Shared joy is double joy and shared sorrow is half sorrow.”

“There are three things that only God knows: the beginning of things, the cause of things, and the end of things.”

“The sin of gluttony is an inordinate desire to consume more than that which one requires. Why you do it? because you were weaned improperly as an infant ... Gluttony is linked with the pig and the color orange.”

“The sin of lust is an inordinate craving for the pleasure of the body. Lust is linked with the cow and the color

blue.”

“The sin of envy is the desire for others’ traits, status, abilities, or situations. Why you do it? because other people are so much luckier, smarter, more attractive, and better than you. Envy is linked with the dog and the color green.”

“Anger dies quickly with a good man.”

“Curse the sin, not the sinner.”

“He who slowly gets angry keeps his anger longer.”

“Expectation is better than realization.”

“Make not your sauce before you have caught your fish.”

“Bees that have honey in their mouths have stings in their tails.”

“Cats hide their claws.”

“Vice is often clothed in virtue’s habit.”

“All clouds bring not rain.”

“Truth has a good face but bad clothes.”

“All are not thieves that dogs bark at.”

“A whore in a fine dress is like a clean entry to a dirty house.”

“Ignorance and incuriosity are two soft pillows.”

“Ignorance is the night of the mind.”

“The devil never assails a man except he finds him either void of knowledge, or void of the fear of God.”

“Fear has a quick ear.”

“Fear has magnifying

eyes.”

“Who fears to suffer, suffers from fear.”

“All fear is bondage.”

“All the weapons in the world will not arm fear.”

“The world is a net, the more we stir in it, the more we are entangled.”

“The world is a ladder for some to go up and some down.”

“A child is better unborn than untaught.”

“Education makes the man.”

“The only really educated men are self-educated.”

“In too much dispute truth is lost.”

“Delays are dangerous.”

“Break the leg of an evil custom.”

“There is never a great genius who is free from a certain measure of madness.”

“An evil-sayer is no different from an evil-doer.”

“The wicked thinks wickedness.”

“Descent to hell is easy.”

“Good merchandise finds a buyer easily.”

“A bad cause becomes worse when defended.”

“An eagle does not chase flies.”

“He does not know how to speak who has not learned to keep silent.”

“Eloquence is a beautiful ornament to the spirit.”

“I hate ingratitude more in a man,
Than lying, vainness, babbling, drunkenness,
Or any taint of vice whose strong
corruptions Inhabit our frail blood.”

“There are many abilities in the world
That fortune never brings to light.”

“A little absence does much good.”

“Absence cools moderate passions but inflames violent ones.”

“Long absent soon forgotten.”

“You look for the horse you ride on.”

“Abstinence is the best medicine.”

“Absurd: he gives grass to the lion – meat to the horse.”

“Sin begets sin.”

“Habit strips sin of its enormity.”

“Silence is the fence round wisdom.”

“The sin of robbery can not be expiated by repentance nor by the Day of Atonement unless restitution is made.”

“With the pious, God is strict even unto a hair’s breadth.”

“The most worthy crown is a good reputation.”

“He who cheerfully submits to suffering brings salvation to the world.”

“Correct not a man in company, for it will bring the blush of shame to his cheek.”

“Religion makes the man.”

“The practice of usury is as wicked as the shedding of blood.”

“The testimony of a usurer is not valid before the Court of Justice.”

“Without the fear of God there is no wisdom.”

“Adversity, sage useful guest,
Severe instructor, but the best,
It is from thee alone we know
Justly to value things below.”

“Remember that there is nothing stable in human affairs; therefore avoid undue elation in prosperity, or undue depression in adversity.”

“Affliction is the wholesome soil of virtue, where patience, honor, sweet humanity, calm fortitude, take root and strongly flourish.”

“Genuine morality is preserved only in the school of adversity, and a state of continuous prosperity may easily prove a quicksand of virtue.”

“He that can heroically endure adversity will bear

prosperity with equal greatness of soul; for the mind that cannot be dejected by the former is not likely to be transported with the latter.”

“In this wild world the fondest and the best
Are the most tried, most troubled and distressed.”

“Know how sublime a thing it is to suffer and be strong.”

“The winter’s frost must rend the burr of the nut before the fruit is seen. So adversity tempers the human heart, to discover its real worth.”

“Adversity is the trial of principle. Without it a man hardly knows whether he is honest or not.”

“Heaven is not always angry when he strikes,
But most chastises those whom most he likes.”

“Adversity has the effect of eliciting talents, which, in prosperous circumstances, would have lain dormant.”

“When reduced by adversity, a man forgets the lofty and supercilious language of prosperity.”

“It is noble and so regarded both among nations and

individuals to keep faith in adversity.”

“He who fears God fears but Him.”

“He who is feared by many fears many.”

“One fool praises another.”

“A fool is always meditating how he shall begin his life; a wise man, how he shall end it.”

“A man may talk like a wise man, but act like a fool.”

“A wise man changes his mind; a fool never.”

“Better to weep with the fool, than laugh with the fool.”

“Fools are wise men in the affairs of women.”

“Often times to please fools wise men err.”

“The wise man knows the fool but the fool does not know the wise man.”

“Sin is not to be estimated in the light of its immediate effects... There is within every violation of God’s law an imperishable germ of death. When once a sin

conceived and brought forth by a moral agent, it goes forth on an immortal career. It can be forgiven, but it cannot be called back.”

“As a disease, once let loose in the spiritual system, sin is progressive. It eats out the vitals of its victims.”

“Sin is committed willingly, knowingly, and consciously.”

“Sin is an awful thing, we should be more afraid of it than we are of death or hell.”

“It is blasphemy to say, by word or action, that God’s commandments are hard to keep... For it is written, “His commandments are not grievous.” Which simply means they are not hard to keep.”

“Volition: The faculty or power of using one’s will.”

“God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in Him.”

“Without courage, wisdom bears no fruit.”

“Courage is doing what you’re afraid to do. There can be no courage unless you’re scared.”

“Covetousness is a self-destructive passion, a craving which is never satisfied, even when what has been craved is now possessed.”

“Death – the last sleep? No, it is the final awakening.”

“Walk so close to God that nothing can come between you.”

“To gain that which is worth having, it may be necessary to lose everything else.”

“Sever me from myself that I may be grateful to You;
May I perish from myself that I may be safe in You;
May I die to myself that I may live in You;
May I wither to myself that I may blossom in You;
May I be emptied of myself that I may abound in You;
May I be nothing to myself that I may be all in You.”

“Never think that God’s delays are God’s denials. Hold on; hold fast; hold out. Patience is genius.”

“Only dead fish go with the current.”

“It does not matter how slowly you go, so long you do not stop.”

“The devil has knowledge, but no wisdom.”

“The devil has his elect.”

“The devil’s laws are easy, and his gentle sway, makes it exceeding pleasant to obey.”

“The covetous man pines in plenty, like Tantalus up to the chin in water, and yet thirsty.”

“Of covetousness we may truly say that it makes both the Alpha and Omega in the devil’s alphabet, and that is the first vice in corrupt nature which moves, and the last which dies.”

“Covetousness teaches men to be cruel and crafty, industrious and evil, full of care and malice, and after all this, it is for no good to itself, for it dares not spend those heaps of treasure which it has snatched.”

“There is not a vice which more effectually contracts and deadens the feelings, which more completely makes a man’s affections center in himself, than the desire of accumulating possessions. When the desire has once gotten hold on the heart, it shuts out all other considerations, but such as may promote its views. As it closes the heart, so also it clouds the understanding. It cannot discern between right and wrong; it takes evil for good, and good for evil; it calls darkness light and

light darkness. Beware, then, of the beginning of covetousness, for you know not where it will end.”

“The soul of man is infinite in what it covets.”

“The covetous man lives as if the world were made altogether for him, and he for the world.”

“Where all sins are old in us, and go upon crutches, covetousness does but then lie in her cradle.”

“Covetousness is a sort of mental gluttony, not confined to money, but craving honor, and feeding on selfishness.”

“If money be not thy servant, it will be thy master. The covetous man cannot so properly be said to possess wealth, as that it may possess him.”

“A soul occupied with great ideas best performs small duties.”

“Words without actions are the assassins of idealism.”

“Lost time is never found again.”

“Prolonged idleness paralyzes initiative.”

“An idle brain is the devil’s workshop.”

“Ignorance is a voluntary misfortune.”

“Think of the ills from which you are exempt, and it will aid you to bear patiently those which now you may suffer.”

“Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character.”

“Hope is a delusion; no hand can grasp a wave or a shadow.”

“Humility is the solid foundation of all virtues.”

“Humility like darkness, reveals the heavenly
lights.”

“Humility is the first lesson we learn from reflection, and self-distrust the first proof we give of having obtained a knowledge of ourselves.”

“Good humor is one of the best articles of dress one can wear in society.”

“The worst sort of hypocrite and liar is the man who lies to himself in order to feel at ease.”

“Satan was the first that practiced falsehood under saintly show.”

“The worst sin towards our fellow creatures is not to hate them, but to be indifferent to them; that’s the essence of inhumanity.”

“Live only for today and you ruin tomorrow.”

“We must interpret a bad temper as a sign of inferiority.”

“Virtue will catch, as well as vice, by contact.”

“Nothing more detestable does the earth produce than an ungrateful man.”

“If thou suffer injustice, console thyself; the true unhappiness is in doing it.”

“Joy is bread and sorrow medicine.”

“Four things belong to a judge: to hear courteously, to answer wisely, to consider soberly, and to decide impartially.”

“Rather suffer injustice than commit one.”

“A kiss from my mother made me a painter.”

“Knowledge of our duties is the most essential part of the philosophy of life.”

“The seed of knowledge may be planted in solitude, but must be cultivated in public.”

“The desire of knowledge, like the thirst for riches, increases ever with the acquisition of it.”

“It is wise to get knowledge and learning from every source, – from a sot, a pot, a fool, a winter-mitten, or an old slipper.”

“The exterior beauties or charms of things are only indicative of their interior realities, that are much more “real”. One must push on in the process of interiorization and not stop at external things.”

“How astonishing is he who flees from what is inescapable and searches for what is evanescent.”

“He made the Hereafter an abode to reward His believing servants only because this world cannot contain what He wishes to bestow upon them and because He deemed their worth too high to reward them in a world without permanence.”

“One of the signs of delusion is sadness over the loss of obedience coupled with the absence of resolve to bring it back to life.”

“Contraction and expansion are spiritual states of being, though they do have psychological repercussions, such as sadness and joy. They are alternating states along the path, similar in their succession to the cycles of nights and days. Contraction is related to the fear (khawf) of God, expansion to hope (rajaa’) in God; and on a higher plane, contraction has to do with the Divine Majesty or Rigor (al-jalal), expansion with the Divine Beauty (al-jamal), two aspects of the Divine unity.”

“The ego attaches itself to the exterior forms, the intellect going straight to their interior essences.”

“Suffices it as a recompense to you for obedience that He has judged you worthy of obedience.”

“When He gives, He shows you His kindness (birr); when He deprives, He shows you His power (qahr). And in all that, He is making Himself known to you.”
“Fire is the test of gold; adversity, of strong men.”
“To know where to find a thing is in reality the best

part of learning.”

“Try not to become a man of success but a man of value.”

“No man is clever enough to know all the evil he does.”

“The great act of faith is when a man decides that he is not God.”

“The foundation of all foundations, the pillar supporting all wisdoms, is the recognition of the reality of God.”

“Live to seek God, and life will not be without God.”

“A great man is he who has not lost the heart of a child.”

“When we cannot find contentment in ourselves, it is useless to seek it elsewhere.”

“Great souls suffer in silence.”

“Life is beautiful when one sees beyond it.”

“Self-conquest is the greatest of victories.”

“God is the truth and light is his shadow.”

“He who is not prepared today will be less tomorrow.”

“Avoid frequent disputes about lesser truths, and a religion that lies only in opinions.”

“They are usually least acquainted with a heavenly life, who are violent disputers about the circumstantial of religion. He whose religion is all in his opinions, will be most frequently and zealously speaking his opinions.”

“Avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.”

“There is too much of hell abiding in thee, to have any acquaintance with heaven; your soul is too like the devil, to have any familiarity with God. A proud man makes himself his god, and sets up himself as his idol.”

“A slothful spirit is another impediment to this heavenly life... Reader, heaven is above thee, and do you think to travel this steep ascent without labor and resolution?”

“Be convinced that heavens is the only treasure and happiness, and labor to know what a treasure and happiness it is... This conviction must sink into your affections; for if it be only a notion, it will have little efficacy.”

“From Descartes to Kant, and to contemporary investigations in phenomenology and neuroscience, Western thinking tends to posit spirituality as a phenomenon of the mind, not as an inquiry into transcendent realities.”

“Religion performs spirituality theatrically and the theatricality of religion makes spirituality real and gives it an ontological charge.”

“Prayer is love in need appealing to love in power.”

“He that flees from prayer flees from all that is good.”

“The secrecy of the constancy of grace and virtue lies in the perseverance in prayer.”

“Prayer is the secret of power.”

“The point of asking is that you may get to know God better.”

“It is in vain to expect our prayers to be heard if we do not strive as well as pray.”

“Whatsoever we beg of God, let us also work for it.”

“Satan dreads nothing but prayer.”

“The one concern of the devil is to keep the saints from praying. He fears nothing from our prayerless studies/work/activity. He laughs at our toil, mocks our wisdom, but trembles when we pray.”

“You cannot alter the Will of God, but the man of prayer can discover God’s Will.”

“It is a shameful thing to quit our conversation with God (prayer) to think of trifles and fooleries.”

“I preached as never sure to preach again,
And as a dying man to dying men.”

“Preaching should break a hard heart and heal a broken heart.”

“The most reverent preacher that speaks as if he saw the face of God does more affect my heart though with common words, than an irreverent man with the most exquisite preparations.”

“Failing to prepare is preparing to fail.”

“Dulce et utile: sweet and useful; the ultimate goal of poetry is to please and instruct, seduce and educate, entertain and teach.”

“As we study the facts of the world outside we feel they imply that a Creative Intelligence is working at the heart of things. As we study the facts of the world within – the realm of thought, feeling, and inner experience – we feel these facts too point toward some Reality beyond ourselves.”

“God cannot be asked to justify His commands or indeed provide motives for His acts at all: {He is not to be asked about what He does; it is they who are to be asked}... But He both binds Himself by the Covenant and explains His reasons for commands.”

“We read in the Holy Qur’an, {vie with one another in good deeds}, knowing that when all return to Him, He will sort out the religious differences and disagreements. So engage and even challenge other religious communities through acts of goodness and virtue rather than by seeking a human resolution of religious differences in life. Seek common ground, avoid chauvinistic or exclusivist claims that reject the religious beliefs of others. Religious sincerity, virtue, and goodness are the ultimate determinant of divine

judgment.”

“When Demosthenes was asked what was the first part of an orator, what the second, and what the third? he answered, ‘Action’.”

“When man closes his lips God begins to speak.”

“It is not a little thing to know oneself.”

“Real humility is the one which arises from the contemplation of His sublimity and the illumination of His attributes.”

“Only the contemplation of His attributes can dislodge you from your attributes.”

“How can you seek recompense for a deed He bestowed upon you out of charity? How can you seek recompense for a sincerity He gave you as a gift?”

“He made you a witness before He asked you to give witness.”

“Many a life is long in years but meager in fruits, and many a life is short in years but rich in fruits.”

“Society cannot exist unless a controlling power upon

will and appetite be placed somewhere... It is ordained in the eternal constitution of things that men of intemperate minds cannot be free. Their passions forge their fetters.”

“The proper function of a government is to make it easy for people to do good and difficult for them to do evil.”

“Wisdom is an all-purpose aid to creating heaven on earth.”

“Wisdom is a mode of cognition – one rooted in perspectives, interpretations, and values.”

“Wisdom is not about facts per se; it is about the meaning of facts. It is about the significance of facts and their implications. Wisdom is a kind of meta-knowledge.”

“Wisdom can be developed intentionally.”

“By introducing ‘the values of the wise’ into the internal guidance systems of society’s institutions, we create heaven on earth.”

“God manifests everything because He is the interior (al-batin), and He conceals the existence of everything because He is the exterior (al-zahir).”

“The creation is manifested because He is the interior, the hidden source from which all manifestation proceeds. On the other hand, the creation is hidden because He is the exterior, more manifest or more real than the symbolic nature of the world that points to Him.”

“Only His extreme nearness to you is what veils God (al-haqq) from you.”

“Only because of the intensity of His manifestation is He veiled, and only because of the sublimity of His light is He hidden from view.”

“When secular pursuits leave no room for more important duties, the mind may gradually become so infatuated as to be pleased with its shackles, and mistake prosperity for peace; Till at length nothing less than a total reverse of the scene may be sufficient to break the enchantment.”

“The correction of one false principle in theology is of more importance than ten victories obtained by adhering to it.”

“It is often troublesome and deep digging for pure water; but when once you come to the spring, it rises up and meets you.”

“A man can hardly do a greater service to his neighbor than to instruct him in the performance of his duties.”

“In conversing on religious subjects, it is of great importance that the parties define the terms they make use of; that is, affix a name to each principal idea, on which they can mutually agree: – If this were always done there would be little room left for discussion.”

“Without prayer, we would not realize our dependence on God... Prayer creates within us a sense of our absolute dependence on God; not only for salvation from sin, but for our continuance in being – for in Him we live and move and have our being.”

“As one’s power grows, one’s willingness to listen shrinks.”

“SEME: Search engine manipulation effect; search rankings can be masked so that people have no awareness of the manipulation.”

“Angels do not possess free will and cannot sin.” “Self-Evaluation Benefits for Teachers:

1- It facilitates learning and the development of self-knowledge.

2- It directs professional development and career

planning, with resulting resources in professional satisfaction.

3- It enhances feelings of job security and opens the door for growth and creativity.

4- It ensures systematic and ongoing work on improving teaching patterns.

5- It promotes professional development, but still allows for individual differences.”

“Sometimes suddenly, sometimes slowly, men awake to find their life false, their happiness superficial, their peril great. Then they sink into cynicism, lapse into despair, or, happily, look up for hope. And yet, thank God for any light, shock, cry, call, smart, or sting that brings us into the daylight.”

“How much we need the habit of caution and watchfulness! Only in fear and trembling can we work our salvation.”

“It is far better to light the candle than to curse the darkness.”

“The bitter awakening: But he awaketh, and his soul is empty. The deluded awake to the fact that despite all appearances, unspiritual life is false and unsatisfying. They are aroused to a sense of the unreality of things in which they had trusted so entirely and expected so much. There is an awakening to the unsatisfactoriness of worldly riches and success.”

“It is sometimes in miserable, hopeless, and oppressed conditions that the deepest need is felt for religious consolations.”

“There is a bitter awakening to the hollowness of a life of pleasure. There is also a cruel awakening to the vanity of intellectual life.”

“To what a dangerous degree of madness and folly must those have arrived, who attempt to destroy our ideas of the Great First Cause! Blind to the stupendous glory of the universe, and the invariable order preserved throughout every department of nature, they choose rather ascribe all to a fortuitous jumble of self-created atoms, than to the wise design, almighty power, and protecting goodness of an intelligent Being – assuming, however, to themselves, as confidently to pronounce everything else to be but ideal and uncertain. It is “the fool” indeed, that, “hath said in his heart, there is no God.”

“The atheist is a kind of Felo-de-se; for, according to his notion, his own existence is as much an uncertainty as anything else.”

“Is it not admirable, that from the twenty-four letters of our alphabet, all the new words in the English language are formed; all the ideas conceived in the arts and sciences are expressed; and controversies on all

subjects, natural, moral, and religious, are maintained: so that by the wonderful faculty of reason, a man can employ those few letters as it pleases him, either in defending truth, or exposing error; In exciting doubt, or convincing the understanding: what an important lesson, then, rightly to learn our letters.”

“Experience proves, that to indulge in what is fallacious, though it may please the imagination, vitiates the taste, indisposes the mind to pursuit after truth, and impairs the judgement by giving it a false bias. Hence it is observable that those who are most inclined to that kind of entertainment, have generally but little relish for serious subjects, and least of all for the truths of religion.”

“Justice is a foundation principle; and cannot be violated, without laying the mind open to the invasion of every species of moral depravity.”

“During a long life, I have proved that not one kind word ever spoken, not one kind deed ever done, but sooner or later returns to bless the giver, and becomes a chain binding men with golden bands to the throne of God.”

“Seize opportunity by the scruff of the neck.”

“The clouds are very black, ’tis true,
But just behind them shines the blue.”

“God gives each man one life, like a lamp, then gives that lamp due measure of oil; lamp lighted, hold high, waved wide its comfort for others to share.”

“Life is but once; we shall never pass this way again; Drink the cup, wear the roses, live the verses.”

“Who shall despair while the fields of earth are sown with flowers and the fields of heaven blossom with stars.”

“Though we should be grateful for good homes, there is no house like God’s out-doors.”

“Awake! Arise! the hour is late!
Angels are knocking at thy door!
They are in haste and cannot wait.”

“Truth will never die: the stars will grow dim, the sun will pale his glory, but the truth will be ever young. Integrity, uprightness, honesty, love, goodness – These are all imperishable. No grave can ever entomb these immortal principles... Those who have enshrined them in their hearts have been burned at the stake, but out of their ashes, other witnesses have arisen. No sea can drown, no storm can wreck, no abyss can swallow up the ever-living truth of God. you cannot kill goodness, and truth, and integrity, and faith, and holiness, the way

that is consistent with these must be a way everlasting.”

“Because God lent a little child to you, He did not lend it to you to be a rug for you to wipe your feet on; He did not lend it to you to be a slave, to run errands, merely; He did not lend it to you to practice your cruelty and irritableness on. That child was God’s before it was yours. It was only placed in your hands for a little time; and if every parent felt, on addressing a child, “There is something of divinity in it as well as in me,” I think it would purge our families of much of the ill-government that is in them.”

“Young man, learn to say “No.” When you are tempted, utter it with a will, – “NO.” When fair hands offer you the wine-cup say it gently, yet with unwavering firmness, – “NO.”

“A declaration of war cannot sanction wrong, or turn murder into a virtuous deed.”

“The justice of war is not a mystery for cabinets to solve. It is not a state secret which we must take on trust. It lies within our reach. We are bound to examine it.”

“Whoever, at such men’s dictation, engages in war without solemnly consulting conscience, and inquiring into the justice of the cause, contracts great guilt.”

“If any action on earth ought to be performed with trembling, with deep prostration before God, with the most solemn inquisition into motives, with the most reverent consultation of conscience, it is a declaration of war... It can find no justification but in the plain, stern necessity, in unquestionable justice, in persevering wrongs, which all other and long-tried measures have failed to avert.”

“Terrible is the responsibility which falls on him who involves nations in war... To commit this act rashly, passionately, selfishly, is to bring on himself the damnation of a thousand murders.”

“It is very rare that one affliction comes alone; commonly, afflictions are not single things, but they come one upon the neck of another. God may strike one man in his possessions, then his body, then in his name, wife, child, or dear friend.”

“Contentment is the inward, quiet, gracious frame of spirit, freely submitting to and taking pleasure in God’s disposal in every condition.”

“A man should be content with his affliction, and yet sensible of his affliction too; to be sensible of an affliction, and to endeavour to remove it by all lawful means, and yet be content: There is a mystery in that. How to join these two together... a mystery that is very hard for a carnal heart to understand. But grace teaches

such a mixture, teaches us how to make a mixture of sorrow and a mixture of joy together; and that makes contentment, the mingling of joy and sorrow, of gracious joy and gracious sorrow together.”

“What is enough is never little.”

“Every pomegranate has its rotten

pip.” “Evil falls on him who goes to

seek it.” “Evil gains are as bad as a

loss.”

“To every evildoer his evil day.”

“The barber must be young and the physician

old.” “A hunting dog will, at last, die a violent

death.” “An ill-tempered dog has a scarred nose.”

“Beware of a silent dog and still water.”

“He that is bitten by a dog must apply some of its hair.”

“It is ill to waken sleeping dogs.”

“The dog understands his master’s mood.”

“When an old dog barks, lookout.”

“Throw no stones at a sleeping dog.”

“A smart coat is a good letter of introduction.”

“In your own country your name; in other countries your appearance.”

“Fresh pork and wine kill a man before his time.”

“Every Jack must have his Jill.”

“Better sell than live poorly.”

“It is a sad house when the hen crows louder than the cock”

“He that thinks his business is below him will always be above his business.”

“A fine cage won’t feed the bird.”

“Careless shepherds make many a feast for the wolf.”

“The charitable give out at the door, and God puts in at the window.”

“Chastise the good and he will mend, chastise the bad and he will grow worse.”

“Cheap things are not good, good things are not cheap.”

“Sell cheap and you will sell as much as four others.”

“All that is ancient is beautiful.”

“Arms and money require good hands.”

“Architecture is frozen music.”

“The frailty of noble minds is the love of arms and military glory.”

“Art is power.”

“Beauty is potent but money is more potent.”

“Beauty opens locked doors.”

“Beauty without virtue is a curse.”

“Beauty’s tears are lovelier than her smiles.”

“There is no pride like that of a beggar grown rich.” “A beginner is always a good man.”

“The brave are born of the brave and good.”

“He refuseth the bribe but putteth forth his hand.”

“At the wedding feast, the least eater is the bride.”

“A sad bride makes a glad wife. The weeping bride makes a laughing wife.”

“The wrath of brothers is fierce and devilish.”

“The younger brother hath more wit.”

“Three brothers, three castles.”

“Every man thinks his burden the heaviest.”

“The burden is light on the shoulder of another.”

“A man without a smiling face must not open a shop.”

“Darkness has no shame.”

“Daughters are easy to rear but hard to marry.”

“My son is my son, till he hath got him a wife; But my daughter's my daughter all the days of her life.”

“Daughter-in-law hates mother-in-law.”

“A bad day never had a good night.”

“Every day is not a holiday.”

“No day passes without some grief.”

“One of these days is none of these days.”

“The day has eyes, the night has ears.”

“The day that succeeds the downfall of a tyrant is always the best.”

“What a day may bring, a day might take away.”

“Cheat me in the price but not in the goods.”

“Cheerful company shortens the miles.”

“Continual cheerfulness is a sign of wisdom.”

“Cheese and bread make the cheeks red.”

“A child’s sorrow is short-lived.”

“As each one wishes his children to be, so they are.”

“Children and fools tell the truth.”

“Children pick up words as pigeons peas.”

“Children suck the mother when young, the fathers when grown-up.”

“He that loves his child chastises him.”

“Male children are the pillars of the house.”

“To save a father is a child’s chief honor.”

“When children stand quiet they have done some

harm.”

“While you are insensible of your disease, your case is highly dangerous and miserable... For these cursed serpents, your sins will go to the grave with you as your companions, and to the tribunal with you as your accusers, and to Hell with you as your tormentors... You are slaves to the devil, drudging night and day at his work, grinding at his mill, and feeding at his husks... Satan puts out your eyes, that you may not see your chains.”

“Think upon the many acts of rebellion you have broken out against heaven. Think also how near you are, while unhealed, to everlasting burning, yea, every moment on the brink of the fiery furnace.”

“Be grieved about your disease, not only because it brings ruin upon yourselves, but mainly because it unfits you for glorifying God, and enjoying communion with Him... Every man that would have access to God, must know the plague of his own heart... Lay upon all your sores, and hide nothing from your Physician.”

“Genius is only a superior power of seeing.”

“Genius is nothing but continued attention.”

“To carry the feelings of childhood into manhood, to combine the child’s sense of wonder and novelty with the appearances which every day for years has rendered familiar, this is the character and privilege of genius, and one of the marks which distinguish it from talent.”

“Mass media sensationalism, biased reporting, and fake news have all made their contribution to extremists.”

“When media outlets sensationalize terrorist attacks and demonize entire communities, they inadvertently work in tandem with extremists, terrorists don’t think like army generals, they think like theater producers.”

“Irresponsible media could be seen as the theater that hosts and sells the tickets for the plays written by terrorists.”

“In one lucky hour, more rare things come to pass than sometimes in seven years.”

“If you run after two hares you will catch neither.”

“The deepest love turneth to the deadliest hate.”

“Honor is the reward of virtue.”

“Great honors are great burdens.”

“Kings have long ears and large hands.”

“Fathers should teach their children that they learn to live as if they were still at the point of death.”

“Follow life and it will flee thee; flee life and it will follow thee.”

“Love comes by looking in at the eyes.”

“They that love most speak least.”

“Man honors the place, not the place the man.”

“As sharp sauce gives good taste to sweet meat, so trouble and adversity make quiet and prosperity far more pleasant.”

“A panther has a sweet smell but a devouring mind.”

“In golden pots are hidden the most deadly poisons.” “The potter fashions his clay when it is soft.”

“Mark well the end; the end crowns all.”

“The prey entices the thief.”

“A promise is a debt.”

“He promises mountains and performs molehills.”

“The remembrance of loss renews sorrow.”

“The greatest harm that you can do unto your enemy where you carry yourself well.”

“A river running into many brooks becomes shallow.”

“Of little seeds grow great trees.”

“Honor follows virtue as the shadow doth the body.”

“Soon enough done is well done.”

“Kissinger lecturing a Chilean foreign minister said, “Nothing important can come from the South. History has never been produced in the South. The axis of history starts in Moscow, goes to Bonn, crosses over to Washington, and then goes to Tokyo.”

“Bring thy children up in learning obedience. Praise them openly, reprehend them secretly. Above all things

endeavor to breed them up in the love of virtue.”

“A heart with little pleased – with little blessed.”

“All heads must come
To the cold tomb,
Only the actions of the just
Smell sweet, and blossom in the dust.”

“Death’s but a path that must be trod,
If man would ever pass to God:
A port of calms, a state of ease
From the rough rage of swelling seas.”

“Death is a friend of ours, and he that is not ready to entertain him is not at home.”

“Defer no time, delays have dangerous ends.”

“It is much easier to suppress the first desire than to satisfy those that follow.”

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

“All wise people ought to confer and hold converse with each other.”

“Maintain peace with men, war with their vices.”

“Refrain from laying the guilt of the few upon the many.”

“The Obama administration continued the abandonment of democratic values by bailing out the bankers and selling out millions of people who lost their homes, while at the same time prosecuting whistleblowers.”

“Neoliberalism stands for the death of democracy.”

“Both political parties have created in the American people an apparatus of hopelessness designed to squelch any sense of alternative future.”

“Trump as the development of a form of illiberal democracy and authoritarianism that mixes neoliberal policies, anti-immigrant bigotry, stifling of free speech, hyper-nationalism, and a politics of disposability and exclusion.”

“Neoliberalism developed in the US roughly over three decades and was ratified with Bill Clinton’s election in 1992... Turning the US economy over to Goldman Sachs, it deregulated the banking system and negotiated the free-trade agreements that accelerated de-industrialization.”

“The wealthy have many worries.”

“A great fortune is a great slavery.”

“Fortune, not wisdom, rules this life.”

“Money and mice hide at the slightest

noise.” “Genius is mainly an affair of

energy.” “Envy is a kind of praise.”

“The potter is envious of the potter, the smith of the smith.”

“Here rests a man who never rested here – Latin Epitaph on a Roman bishop.”

“All excess turns to vice.”

“Next to example, the comparison is of greatest effect.”

“Similitudes are not only used to amplify a matter, but also to beautify the same, and to show a certain majesty with the report of such resembled things.”

“He that mindeth to persuade must need to be well stored with examples. And therefore much are they to be commended, which search chronicles of all ages, and compare the state of our elders with the present time.”

“Highten the wit of the narrative by the introduction of examples, similitudes, and sentences.”

“Gluttony slays more than the sword.”

“The tongue is not steel, yet it cuts.”

“Truth begets hatred.”

“To love God, not because of powerful institutions, or even because God commands it, but to do so in an act of unencumbered freedom, is the very source of mystical relation. To love God is all the reason there needs to be.”

‘God, if I worship Thee in fear of Hell, burn me in hell. And if I worship Thee in hope of Paradise, exclude me from Paradise; but if I worship Thee for Thine own sake, withhold not Thine everlasting Beauty.’”

“Gentleness is one of the noblest traits in a man’s character.”

“A gentleman is a man of great beauty.”

“If you honor a vile man, you disgrace the code of honor.”

“True nobility lies in the high character and refined manners, not in noble birth or ancient pedigree.”

“A noble man is he who aims at noble ends.”

“Son of man, if you have no self-respect, do what you will.”

“What is the use of running when you are on the wrong road?”

“Wisdom is knowledge, rightly applied.”

“Worry is like a rocking chair, it gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere.”

“Yesterday is History
Tomorrow is
Mystery Today is a
Gift
That's why it's called Present.”

“The investigation of the meaning of words is the

beginning of education.”

“Wise are those who can compress many thoughts into few words.”

“It is not known precisely where angels dwell – whether in the air, the void, or the planets. It has not been God’s pleasure that we should be informed of their abode.”

“Every gun fired, every warship launched, every rocket fired, signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed.”

“One must not only die daily but every day we must be born again.”

“He shall separate himself from wine and strong drink, and shall drink no vinegar of wine or vinegar of strong drink, neither shall he drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried – Numbers 6:3”

“Another common notion was that slaves would occupy the ‘kitchen’ of heaven and would continue there to serve their white masters as on earth.”

“Pity for an enemy is noble.”

“Quietude of mind is virtue’s asylum.”

“Religion purifies our temporal enjoyments.”

“Reproach not the unhappy.”

“Religion regulates the will and affections.”

“Reformers should begin with themselves.”

“Reprove tenderly.”

“Rejoice not at the fall of an enemy.”

“Rage unopposed soon evaporates.”

“Speak little to speak well.”

“To learn to die is the great business of life.”

“The language of truth is plain.”

“Think twice, to speak once.”

“True virtue fears nothing so much as sin.”

“When anger rushes, unrestrained, to action, like a hot steed, it stumbles in its way.”

“I never work better than when I am inspired by anger; where I am angry I can write, pray, and preach well; for then my whole temperament is quickened, my understanding sharpened, and all mundane vexations and temptations depart.”

“When one is in a good sound rage, it is astonishing how calm one can be.”

“Let the farmer forevermore be honored in his calling, for they who labor in the earth are the chosen people of God.”

“Teamwork is the ability to work with others effectively and efficiently.”

“Determination is the ability to keep going even when things are really tough.”

“Gratitude is to feel or to show appreciation for something that has been done for you.”

“Honesty is to be true to yourself and others.”

“Humility is the ability to be modest and respectful and

not overestimate your own importance.”

“Integrity is the quality of having and following strong moral principles.”

“Judgement and Reasoning is the ability to make decisions after careful consideration.”

“Reflection is the ability to ponder alternative possibilities and not jump to conclusions.”

“Resourcefulness is the ability to find quick and clever ways to overcome difficulties.”

“Autonomy is the ability to be independent in one’s thinking and action.”

“Citizenship is an active engagement in projects that benefit the community or contribute to the common good.”

“Civility is being polite and courteous in behavior and speech.”

“Compassion is to exhibit care and concern for others in need.”

“Confidence is being certain in your own abilities, the

abilities of others, or that a certain course of action is best.”

“Critical Thinking is the ability to think reflectively and come to independent conclusions.”

“Curiosity is an eagerness to know or learn something new.”

“Virtue Perception is noticing situations involving or standing in need of virtues.”

“Virtue Knowledge and Understanding is understanding the meaning of the virtue term and why the virtue is important, individually, and as part of a well-rounded flourishing life of overall virtue.”

“Virtue Identity is understanding oneself as strongly committed to the virtues.”

“Virtue Motivation is having a strong desire to act on the virtues.”

“Intellectual Virtues are character traits necessary for discernment, right action and the pursuit of knowledge, truth and understanding, Examples: autonomy, critical thinking, curiosity, judgement, reasoning, reflection and resourcefulness.”

“Moral Virtues are character traits that enable us to act well in situations that require an ethical response. Examples: Courage, gratitude, honesty, humility, integrity, justice, compassion, civility, etc...”

“Civic Virtues are character traits that are necessary for engaged responsible citizenship, contributing to the common good. Examples: citizenship, civility.”

“If in thy journey through life, you overtake or are overtaken by any who is seeking the truth for its own sake, you need not inquire from whence he came, or from which particular tribe he sprang; but frankly give him thy hand:- for be assured, you have found a safe and instructive companion.”

“To upbraid a person with errors for which he has repented, and been pardoned, is a trespass not unlikely to incur the condemnation from which he has escaped.”

“Whether we contemplate the planetary system to which we belong... or the perfect form of the minutest insect discoverable by the microscope; we are equally lost in astonishment, at that incomprehensible Wisdom and Power by which all were created and sustained.”

“Explanations of the low self-esteem of narcissistic individuals largely revolve around early childhood experiences. children may become self-centered as a result of having too little empathic attention from

parents, even though they may have been indulged with many material gifts.”

“Obtaining power and prestige in the political arena may be a method of attempting to boast an underlying feeling of low self-esteem... The narcissistic person often has poor reality testing; the outside world is perceived in very personal terms, and the internal world is contaminated with grandiosity.”

“By deceiving others, they deceive themselves into thinking that they are clever, powerful, and in control.”

“We lie to ourselves to maintain our own self-esteem, and we lie to others to help them maintain their self-esteem.”

“From wine what sudden friendship springs.”

“Shakespeare on drinking: O that men should put an enemy in their mouths, to steal away their brains.”

“Shakespeare on drinking: Every inordinate cup is unblessed, and the ingredient is a devil.”

“If you get the best of whiskey it will get the best of you.”

“Stern Daughter of the Voice of God! O Duty!”

“He that would thrive
Must rise by five.”

“Wash thy face in the morning dew
Thus thou wilt thy health renew.”

“Educate men without religion and you make them but
clever devils.”

“There is nothing which has not been bitter before
being ripe.”

“It is the heart which makes men eloquent.”

“Little by little the time goes by –
Short if you sing through it, long if you sigh.”

“How sharper than a serpent’s tooth it is to have a
thankless child.”

“In cities vice is hidden with the most ease.”

“The music that can deepest reach,
And cure all ill, is cordial speech.”

“Go where he will, the wise man is at home.”

“And come he slow or come he fast,
It is but Death who comes at last.”

“We must do the thing we must
Before the thing we may;
We are unfit for any trust
Till we can and do obey.”

“Excess is always hurtful.”

“Extravagance in apparel is a costly folly.”

“Expect not an exemption from trouble.”

“Enrich not thyself by oppression.”

“Every deviation from virtue is an approach to vice.”

“Early rising is an important habit.”

“Evil company is seducing.”

“Early piety is often permanent.”

“Every morning is a new mercy.”

“From slanderers turn away.”

“Frequent transgressions make men slaves to sin.”

“Fair appearances sometimes cover foul minds.”

“When the savage wish to have fruit, they cut down the tree and gather it – That is exactly a despotic government.”

“The very cunning conceal their cunning; the indifferently shrewd boast of it. “

“All cruelty springs from hard-heartedness and weakness.”

“If you suffer injustice, console yourself; the true unhappiness is in doing it.”

“Of all injustice, that is the greatest which goes under the name of the law.”

“Fraud is the ready minister of injustice.”

“Anyone entrusted with power will abuse it if not also

animated with the love of truth and virtue, no matter whether he is a prince or one of the people.”

“Malice is the devil’s picture. Lust makes them brutish; malice makes them devilish – it is mental murder.”

“Malice drinks one half of its own poison.”

“Malice is misery. It is the mind of Satan, an outcast of all joy, and an opponent of all goodness and all blessedness. His mind is enmity against God and His creation.”

“That is happiness: to be dissolved into something complete and great.”

“If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else.”

“In charity, there is no excess.”

“Happy the man who can search for the causes of things.”

“Subdue your appetites, my dears, and you’ve conquered human nature.”

“Emerson said that man is an intelligence served by organs and Huxley said that man is an intelligence, not

served by, but in service of his organs.”

“Difficulty is the nurse of greatness – a harsh nurse, who roughly rocks her foster-children into strength and athletic properties.”

“In false repentance, when danger is over the sorrow is forgotten... And the sick-bed penitent in almost all cases returns to carelessness and sin so soon as returning health removes death and hell from his affrighted view.”

“All religion is vain which does not influence the conduct, which does not soften and change, and which does not govern and direct the affections.”

“Where religion is not the first thing, the soul’s chief concern, there is every reason to apprehend it is a vain religion.”

“In true repentance, the evil of sin is felt. Its aggravation is acknowledged by the soul, that neither pleads nor wishes to plead any extenuation.”

“He that is deluded with false repentance, hopes and pleads for mercy on account of good that he has done. It is true he acknowledges he has done wrong, but then he has often done right; he has sinned, but then he has often done good. The true penitent owns himself

solely

on the mercy and grace of a forgiving God... True repentance leads the penitent to abhor himself; and the more he feels of its influence, the lower he sinks in self-abhorrence and humiliation.”

“Acquire virtuous habits.”

“Associate with the wise.”

“Avoid all extremes.”

“Accuse not the absent.”

“A clear conscience is health to the

soul.” “Anger is a real approach to

insanity.” “All who swim in sin, sink in

sorrow.” “A virtuous mind loathes

flattery.” “Accustom thyself to method.”

“Abundance seldom lessens our wants.”

“Be not proud even of well-doing.”

“Be more ready to hear than to speak.”

“Be deaf to distraction.”

“Be not ungrateful.”

“Be firm in a good cause.”

“Beauty without virtue often proves a snare.”

“Be not hasty to judge.”

“Be slow in designing.”

“Be steady in virtuous pursuits.”

“Benevolence expands the mind.”

“Be sure to prize time as it flies.”

“Be cautious in your choice of books.”

“Be more ready to censure yourself than others.”

“Bad actions mostly lead to worse.”

“Concupiscence is an ardent, usually sensual, longing – In Catholic theology, concupiscence is seen as a desire of the lower appetite contrary to reason... it is an orientation, inclination, or innate tendency of human beings to long for fleshy appetites.”

“Concupiscence is related to the term ‘nafs‘ in Arabic.”

“In Judaism, there is an early concept of ‘yetzer hara‘ or evil inclination to do evil or violate the will of God... the yetzer hara is not the product of original sin as in Christian theology, but the tendency of humanity to misuse the natural survival needs of the physical body. Therefore, the natural need of the body for food becomes gluttony, rest becomes sloth, etc.”

“Thomas Aquinas described two divisions of sensuality: the concupiscible (pursuit/avoidance instincts) and the irascible (competition/aggression/defence) instincts. The former is associated with the emotions of joy, sadness, love and hate, desire and repugnance. The latter, daring and fear, hope, despair and anger.”

“Characteristics of the (lower)

nafs: 1-Pride

2-Greed

3-Envy

4-Lust

5-Backbiting

6-Stinginess

7-Malice”

“If you do not guard your intellect you cannot attain purity of heart, so as to be counted worthy to see God.”

“Hesychia being a state of mind or inner tranquility is mirrored by an outer state of withdrawal from the world.”

“Hesychia opens the intellect to divine knowledge, brings about fear and love of God, is the pathway to heaven.”

“Whosoever walks towards God one cubit, God runs towards him twain.”

“God is the One in Whom all is lost and yet the One in Whom all is found.”

“The bravest sight in the world is to see a great man struggling against adversity.”

“Celsus was a second-century Greek philosopher and opponent of early Christianity. He is known for his literary work “On the True Doctrine” which is the earliest known criticism of Christianity. It was written

in 175 to 177, shortly after the death of Justin the Martyr and was a response to his work.”

“Celsus wanted the Christians to be good citizens, to retain their own belief but worship the emperors and join their fellow citizens in defending the empire.”

“One of Celsus’ most bitter complaints is of the refusal of Christians to cooperate with civil society and their contempt for local customs and the ancient religions. He viewed them as the work of Daemons... He accused them of converting the vulgar and ignorant while refusing to debate wise men.”

“Celsus blames Moses for the corruption of the ancient Egyptian religion, he wrote, “The goatherds and shepherds who followed Moses as their leader were deluded by clumsy deceits into thinking that there was only one God, and without any rational cause... These goatherds and shepherds abandoned the worship of many gods.”... Celsus described the Christians as swarms of bats or ants creeping out of their nest, or worms in conventicle in a corner of the mud.”

“The absent are always in the wrong.”

“He that fears you present will hate you absent.”

“If a person is away, his right is away.”

“An ill marriage is a spring of ill-fortune.”

“Adversity makes a man wise not rich.”

“Woes unite foes.”

“Adversity is the touchstone of virtue.”

“Misfortunes tell us what fortune is.”

“Misfortune arrives on horseback but departs on foot.”

“Ambition loses many a man.”

“Desire has no rest.”

“Anger ends in cruelty.”

“Anger has no eyes.”

“From birth to two years the child finds his deity in his parents. They stand to him in the place of God. Whether they mean to do so or not, they do represent to the baby the All-Wise, All-Powerful Giver of Gifts. The baby worships his parents... It is very important that the mental impression made on the child during

these first two years be one of love... It is easier to teach 'God is love' to the child who has adored and known nothing but love from his parents."

"We may teach God without nature, but it would be difficult, and we may teach nature without God, but it would be unwise and unfair."

"With God in nature, we can satisfy the child's desire for a cause; we can give him some idea of God through His work."

"The first essential of faith is a recognition of our divine origin. This conviction gives dignity and worthiness to human life."

"A man without self-control is like a barrel without hoops and tumbles into pieces."

"The supreme mastery consists of the control of emotions, passions, thought, and the regulation of conduct. This power may be called the rule of reason by means of the will."

"If attention is often directed to an object or purpose and allowed to dwell on it regardless of its value, justice, or virtue, the will gradually weakens and becomes powerless."

“All love has something of blindness in it, but the love of money especially.”

“Advice given in the midst of a crowd is

loathsome.” “Don’t give cherries to pigs, nor advice

to fools.” “To succeed, consult three old people.”

“Don’t laugh at old age, pray to achieve it.”

“The young should be taught, the old should be honored.”

“The thief is sorry that he is to be hanged, not that he is a thief.”

“They know not their defects who search for the defects of others.”

“The tree that is cut down grows again; the moon that wanes after a time waxes again. Thus do wise men reflect, though distressed, are not overwhelmed.”

“What does a blind man know of the beauty of the tulip.”

“A beggar won’t mind being insulted.”

“From a short pleasure comes a long repentance.”

“It is little honor to the lion to seize the mouse.”

“It is not of the blind to give an opinion on colors.”

“Make yourself a sheep and the wolf is ready.”

“Fear less, hope more. Eat less, chew more. Sigh less, breathe more. Hate less, love more, and all good things are yours.”

“God does not act unjustly (jawran), tyrannically (zulman), or repugnantly (qabihan).”

“God- lofty is His Majesty- is compassionately Just.”

“Justice is the constant and permanent will to render to each person what is his right.”

“Religion confirms all that reason discovers and reason does not deny anything that religion commands.”

“Sin damages the soul.”

“Reverence is an essential quality of the well-ordered and normal mind and the believer is dealing with the reverential quality of the mind.”

“Religion must be rational or else it is superstition.”

“Prophets had the power to deal with things that were ‘unseen’. They spoke of the inner eye.”

“Beneath the thin veneer of intellectual smugness was an appalling sense of frustration.”

“Unsatisfied with self-made gods, duped by his own philosophy, and tricked by his own genius, man has turned his face to the stars, crying out, ‘God, be merciful to me’.”

“The only adequate gospel for a confused age which seeks to fight its way out of the mire is one which puts God back at the center of living.”

“The moment a nation ceases to rest heavily upon God, it turns the hands of the cloak back to savagery.”

“Nearly all the ills of our contemporary life spring from one simple fact: it is the feeling that something has been left out, and that something is faith.”

“The steadying sense of God’s presence is the supreme need of life.”

“We have had too much random living. We have refused to commit ourselves to something beyond ourselves.”

“Frustrations, inner strain, and wishful thinking have been caused by purposeless living.”

“We have become dilettants and triflers, we take life too casually. It is this playing with ideas rather than giving ourselves to them which has brought the fatal flaw to modern life.”

“Trifling is ranked among the venial faults... A life devoted to trifles not only takes away the inclination but the capacity for higher pursuits... The mind is absorbed with what is vicious and what is useless.”

“Those who are rendered unhappy by trivial troubles, sin seek comfort in trivial enjoyment.”

“Seek God. Our heart is the true ‘terra incognita’: A land more foreign and unknown to us than the regions of the polar circle: yet that heart is the place in which an acquaintance with God must be sought.”

“God threatens, not to punish, but, by the warning, to

snatch us from punishment.”

“Let our aims be lofty, though our attainments are low.”

“True greatness consists in being great in little things.”

“The best way to begin doing great things is to improve the doing of the little things.”

“Through ages, through eternity, what you have done for God, that, and only that, you are. Deeds never die.”

“Thou shalt not belittle your child.”

“A classic is a classic because of a certain eternal and irrepressible freshness.”

“Classic, a book which people praise and don't read.”

“When you reread a classic you do not see more in the book than you did before; you see more in you than there was before.”

“Those who bestow too much application on trifling things become generally incapable of great ones.”

“It is Satan's custom by small sins to draw us to

greater, as a wisp of straw enkindles a block of wood.”

“Do not waste five-dollar time on a five-cent job.”

“Nails and pegs are little things, but they hold the parts of a large building together.”

“The idea of God’s revelation to human beings is central to both Christianity and Islam. It is not unusual to hear Muslims describe Christians as People of the Book (ahl al-kitaab) or best understood as People of Scripture. For both Christians and Muslims, faith rests in an affirmation that there is a God Who reveals.”

“Revelation is the self-disclosure of God. Thus God is both its source and its content... God’s self-disclosure gives knowledge of God’s will or disposition toward us... through God’s self-disclosing activity we learn God’s purpose and precepts for our lives, God’s judgments, God’s grace. God’s revelation open to us a way of life, of reconciliation, peace, and joy, of worship and service, love and justice.”

“Islam, like Christianity, affirms that revelation communicates the nature of God, and agrees that this nature is not fully communicable. Limited human intelligence cannot know God’s essence. Faith affirms the human inability to express or understand the fullness of God.”

“Muslims see in creation a ‘text’ that teaches the believer about the ways in which God has ordered, bestowed, and planted love and mercy within all of life.”

“In the Qur’an, Muslims hold, God completes and corrects all earlier revelations, and uncovers the ‘straight path’ which God has given humanity to walk.”

“The Scriptures teach us the best way of living, the noblest way of suffering, and the most comfortable way of dying.”

“If we search God’s Word we will find that it is full of priceless spiritual jewels.”

“The Word of God only can keep us from the snares.”

“A reverent study of the Word of God opens the way for the mightiest prayer.”

“Let no inward feeling or outward sign dissuade you from your voluntary choice to count God’s Word true, to yourself.”

“God’s love enables you to love God.”

“All that we have to make sure of is that we keep

ourselves in the love of God.”

“The nearer the soul gets to God, the more its own imperfections are revealed and the more wonderful God’s love appears.”

“The love of God finds us ruined sinners, and leaves us, glorified saints.”

“Divine love increases in us, the more we pour out.”

“The fire of God’s love in our hearts will teach us more about God than all the theologians in the world.”

“God has left the human will free to choose or refuse, and the blood of every lost sinner shall be upon his own head.”

“A true fear of hell has sent many a soul to heaven.”

“When you have God’s glory on the inside, it will come to the outside.”

“When we confess our human insufficiency, then God can display His power in us.”

“Humanity without the restraining grace of God is as corrupt, as degraded, as the inhabitants of hell itself.”

“God’s way of exalting His servant is contrary to the flesh.”

“The more Job was persecuted, the stronger he got.”

“So often God has a peculiar way of testing and trying His people.”

“God keeps a school for His servants here on earth, and one of the best teachers is disappointments.”

“If we only saw deep enough, the chastisement of God would be sweeter than the praises of men.”

“You can’t build characters without testing them.”

“God’s ways are at times like heavy wagon tracks and they cut deep into our souls. Yet they are all of them mercy.”

“What is life but a glad, present consciousness of God and self and duty, and hearty obedience thereto.”

“Empty the cup of your life, and God will fill it with His.”

“Your life is what God wants. It is of the highest price.”

“What a God of love He is, Who longs for even the poor miserable love we have to give.”

“God’s love is beyond the explanation of any pen or tongue.”

“The only way to show our love to God is by keeping His Commandments.”

“Love is the only thing that can truly and perfectly obey God.”

“Love is the greatest thing God can give us.”

“God wants your love more than your labor.”

“Faith seeks the glory that ‘comes from God’ – that only comes where God is all.”

“God wants His faithful to act like Him.”

“If we do not fear God, we will never truly love Him.”

“No power on earth can make you commit a sin unless you choose to do so.”

“There are temptations that come from the breaking up of plans.”

“Our severest temptation will come to us after our greatest blessings.”

“Meet the enemy with the truth that God cannot fail, and what He has begun, He will finish.”

“The stronger the purpose of fidelity to God, the stronger the pressure the enemy will bring to bear.”

“It is while you are resisting little temptations that you are growing stronger.”

“Joseph’s character and faith did not shield him from temptation, but they kept him from yielding to it.”

“We confront the devil every time we attempt anything for God.”

“When we come to a place where we see nothing but God, our enemies are forced to withdraw.”

“Witnesses do not talk of the doubts, but the certainties.”

“Ask God to put in your life supernatural things that

will themselves be His witness to your testimony and commend it to an unbelieving world.”

“Go to God, heart foremost.”

“A religion that neglects heart disease will always fall short.”

“Knees that are hardened by prayer make a soft heart.”

“When we speak of the soul, we mean that which thinks, feels, and lives.”

“The human soul was made for God. He alone can satisfy it.”

“A single ‘yes’ or ‘no’, turns the scale of the destiny of a soul.”

“Willingness to believe is usually half the fight of faith.”

“We need decision for the soul.”

“You can will yourself off the devil’s territory, and will yourself into the hands of God.”

“There is great strength in a life of trust in God.”

“‘Be strong, be strong’ – how the Bible echoes with the inspiring command.”

“We must take God’s gifts in God’s ways, although His ways are not always as we would wish.”

“There is only room for one to rule upon the throne of the heart, and self must disappear before God will reign.”

“When I surrendered all, then the eternal God took hold of me.”

“Sometimes the philosophy has a different label – scientism, materialism, or agnosticism. Call it what you will, each secular funhouse has its own reflection, and each is a distortion of man created in the image of God.”

“Pseudoscience’s attempt to prove that man is just a glorified animal, differing in degree but not in kind from lower animals... Pseudoscience gave us the monkey-man, then came Karl Marx with his machine-man. Making a virtue of his own ideological necessities, Marx defined society by its economic character and left God out of consideration altogether. Somewhat later, Sigmund Freud evolved the dream

man.”

“Once secularism infects a people, it advances to a virulent stage, like a progressive disease. It takes the form of state-ism or totalitarianism. That is, it denies that the government is a man’s agent for the protection of God’s gifts. It is a vicious philosophy which holds that man exists for the state, and not the state for man.”

“The natural law is impressed on every man and woman by the Creator. It is made known solely by reason. In each of us is a little spark of divine fire. It enables us to judge certain acts as good or bad; it tells us to do good and avoid evil... We call this divine spark, ‘conscience’.”

“The conditions of modern life seem to forbid that a grain of poetry be left in our brain, a spark of noble passion in our heart. The ugly, the hard, the vulgar, and the vile are the passion of our prison-house.”

“There is the larger thought that arises from the contemplation of God’s work, and never was there more pressing need of the larger thought than today. Our age is specially materialistic, industrial, mechanical, commercial.”

“It is sad to think how little this glorious world means to the mass of us! Weary and sickened with ephemeral things, absurd ambitions and pleasures, irritating trifles,

disheartening commonplaces of scenes and experience... only as we delight in the work of God can we delight in our work and find rest to our soul.”

“Thinking imperially, recognizing ourselves in mankind, and becoming its helper, we taste a pure, vast joy impossible to a life centered in mean egotism and the narrow sphere of personal interests.”

“The preacher and Prometheus have one thing in common: Each must carry the divine fire to man.”

“The popular bewilderment opens the way to charlatans and demagogues in the religious world as well as in other professions. When people are confused any Pied Piper with some new ideology can mislead them in politics, in business, and in religion.”

“The doors of wisdom are never shut.”

“Wisdom is not finally tested in schools.”

“Man’s chief wisdom consists in knowing his follies.”

“The mark of wisdom is to read the present aright.”

“Wisdom adorns riches and shadows poverty.”

“To flee from folly is the beginning of wisdom.”

“Wisdom is the only liberty.”

“A just war is better than an unjust peace.”

“For what can war but endless war still breed?”

“He that preaches war is the devil’s chaplain.”

“War is death’s feast.”

“War is the child of pride.”

“War seldom enters but where wealth allures.”

“Money is the sinews of war.”

“The fear of war is worse than war itself.”

“Gold and riches, the cause of war.”

“Wars, hateful to mothers.”

“Talk of the war, but do not go to it.”

“There are three kinds of lies; lies, damned lies, and statistics.”

“Agnosognosia: is a pathological defect of self-awareness, a condition in which a person is unaware of an obvious personal disability or injury.”

“Plato’s troglodytes lack self-knowledge. they are unaware they are prisoners, oblivious to being manipulated by others, deluded by illusions about the world, and ignorant of their own capacities and possibilities where false knowledge is deeply embedded and so life-pervasive, disillusionment becomes impossible without assistance.”

“To think is to doubt; that is, to be perplexed to question, and sift into the reason for things. To think more is to doubt less. To think clearly through is to find the truth. Enough truth can always be found to rest upon while more is coming. One never finds all of the truth. It is one of the delights of living to be always finding more of truth. This, too, will be one of the great delights of the upper after-life. There will always be the zest of finding new treasures.”

“Some people never doubt because they live in that sweet, peaceful atmosphere, made by their elders or others who have doubted, and thought, and thought through, and now rest upon the rock of found truth.”

“There are two sorts of doubters; those that are not doubters at all but like to be called so, and then there are the honest doubters. The first sort is better called quibblers. When they search it is simply for something that will bolster up the opinion they hold... They pick out the flaws and faults of believers – and seem to take pleasure in pointing them out... The real doubter is not absorbed in what he does not believe... He is concerned about finding out what should be believed. He is digging for facts... he inquires, he goes about with his eyes and ears more open than his mouth... He will admit himself wrong when new light shows that he is. That is always a hard thing to do, nothing is much harder... It wounds one’s intellectual pride very sorely. And then the final test of the real, true doubter is this, that as the light comes he will allow it to govern his habits, his life. Here is the test that drops many a man out of the ranks... that may mean radical changes. it may cost friendships, income, and standing. But that will not deter the true man. Jesus said: “He that is willing to do... shall know.”

“The one whose disposition is quiet is not disquieted as others are, but neither does he show any activeness of spirit to sanctify the name of God in his affliction. But, on the other hand, he whose contentment is of grace is not disquieted and keeps his heart quiet with regard to vexation and trouble, and at the same time is not dull or heavy but very active to sanctify God’s name in the affliction that he is experiencing.”

“I will give you just one mark of the difference between a man or woman who is content in a natural way and one who is content in a spiritual way: Those who are content in a natural way overcome themselves when outward afflictions befall them and are content: They are just as content when they commit sin against God or when God is dishonored... But a gracious heart that is contented with its affliction, will rise up strongly when God is dishonored.”

“Contentment is taking pleasure in God’s disposal. This is so when I am well pleased in what God does, in so far as I can see God in it, though, I may be sensible of the affliction, and may desire that God in his due time would remove it... Yet I am well pleased with God’s hand that I see good in this affliction.”

“Since the day of Esau to the present time, two classes of people existed upon this earth, the one class who live by honest labor, the other who live off of honest labor.”

“Some men choose home to spit their spleen and uncork the bottle of their discontent, which all day long they have been filling. Rather in the world where no one thinks enough of you to feel bad about it; but remember there is one at home who can be made to suffer as no one else in this wide world. If you have one smile, save it for your wife at home.”

“When God lays a newborn babe in the arms of a wedded pair, he says to them, “Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.” And the answer of gratitude and faith should be, “O God, thou hast put thy noblest work into our hands. We accept the precious trust. We will try to stamp on the soft, plastic heart the impress of a godly example. We will shelter this young life under thy mercy-seat. We will bear with it as thou bearest with us. We will be truthful, that it may never learn falsehood. We will nurse this soul in its infancy with the ‘sincere milk’ of love, that in after years may bear ‘strong meat’ for strong service of God and righteousness. O, God! make our lives in harmony with Thee, that this young life may reflect thine in reflecting ours.”

“Opportunities, like eggs, must be hatched when they are fresh. The showers from heaven must be caught as they fall.”

“The moral man is negative. He does not swear, he does not steal, and he does not murder, and he does not drink; and his whole life is not. His language is, ‘Thou shall not.’”

“A bird upon the wing may carry a seed that shall add a new species to the vegetable family of a continent; and just so, a word, a thought, from a flying soul, may have results immeasurable, eternal.”

“Beauty will save the world.”

“Art is frequently seen as the epitome of human creativity and the deepest expression of the human spirit. Further, art brings an added dimension of beauty.”

“In a sense, art is a technology... Creativity in art emerges in the interactive synthesis of artist, materials, and tools.”

“One could argue that the purpose of art is to create beauty, and that beauty is a ‘synthesis’ of diverse elements into a harmonious or congruent element.”

“Art is an aesthetic experience involving both cognitive and emotional features.”

“As a general rule upbeat emotions such as love, hope, enthusiasm, and courage positively impact human thinking – including creativity. Whereas negative emotions such as anxiety, sadness, and depression damp out effective and creative thinking.”

“Unequal distribution of the products of labor is one of the most fruitful sources of social and political disturbances”

“The Indian Removal Bill: legalized crime, legalized

robbery, legalized vice.”

“Civic literacy is when “The question of justice” becomes central to “The question of politics.”

“A penny will hide the biggest star in the universe if you hold it close enough to your eye.”

“Fortune does not change men but unmask them.”

“The most important things in life are not things.”

“Put your trust in money, put your money in trust.”

“I am not against wealth, I am against wealth that enslaves.”

“A man’s treatment of money is the most decisive test of his character – how he makes it and how he spends it.”

“The rich man carries God in his pocket, the poor in his heart.”

“Make money your god and it will plague you like the devil.”

“Money does the most good if you do something preventive rather than something remedial.”

“Real riches are riches possessed inside.”

“Money is like seawater, the more we drink, the thirstier we become.”

“The man who dies leaving behind him millions of available wealth will pass away ‘unwept, unhonored, and unsung.’”

“Surplus wealth is a sacred trust which its possessor is bound to administer in the lifetime for the good of the community.”

“Prevailing prayer implies and embodies all works, as the seed embodies the trunk, roots, branches, flowers, and fruitage of the tree. The history of piety is the history of prayer. All piety begins, continues, and ends in prayer.”

“The most interesting sight in this world is a man in the act of prayer. The angels of God look with wonder, and the Lord of angels bends His lofty throne and exclaims: ‘Behold, he prayeth.’”

“Prayer is intimately associated with man’s salvation, and without it, we cannot be saved.”

“Individuals high in anxious attachment strongly crave acceptance and validation from others, they tend to be chronically rejection sensitive and are thus hypervigilant for potential signs of exclusion.”

“Individuals high in avoidant attachment tend to not value relationships highly and claim to prefer independence. However, research suggests that this stance of self-reliance is a defensive response to the fear of rejection and abandonment. We propose another strategy that avoids relationships because of the underestimation of potential social reward... Low perceptions of social reward can help minimize exposure to potentially rejecting situations without the need to acknowledge a fear of rejection.”

“Experiences of rejection lead to higher levels of social withdrawal whereas experiences of being ignored lead to higher levels of social engagement.”

“According to Aristotle, it is not possible to be practically wise without moral excellence.”

“Good teaching is 1/4 preparation and 3/4 theater.”

“What was the duty of the teacher if not to inspire.”

“A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his

influence stops.”

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

“The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the pupil.”

“You must train the students to their studies in a playful manner and without any air of restraint.”

“He who prays in faith enlists Almighty God, all the armies of heaven, and every law of the universe, in the interests of his cause.”

“Once the power, authority, and authenticity of the Source of revelation have been established, all subsequent commands from that Source, however laconic, are logically valid.”

“God’s Commandments come with answers to the question why?”

“Commandments by definition do not require a designated audience, because they apply to all. “O People”... More complex are commands that apply only under certain conditions to subgroups such as travelers, debtors, pilgrims, etc...”

“Imperatives in the Qur’an are used

to: 1- challenge (10:38)

2- reproach (23:65)

3- condemn (8:50)

4- call for help (7:51)

5- pray (1:6)

6- create (16:40)”

“Commands are orders, directives, injunctions, instructions, prohibitions, and prescriptions.”

“The author of a valid command must have some entitlement or authority... There must also be a good reason for the command, it must be ‘rational, sound, or sensible’ providing a rational and reasonable answer to the question ‘why?’”

“Soliloquy is preaching to one’s own self; for as every good master or father of a family is a good preacher to his own family, so every believer is a good preacher to his own soul.”

“In our meditations intermix soliloquy and prayer, sometimes speaking to our own hearts, and sometimes to God... We need one, as well as other, and therefore, shall wrong ourselves by neglecting either. Besides, the mixture of them, like music, will be more engaging.”

“The soul’s connection with the body is just that of the bird’s to its nest. The bird leaves it joyfully to fly in the air.”

“Next in importance to the acknowledgment of the existence of a Supreme Being is a right understanding and appreciation of His attributes.”

“It is important to make the attributes of God the frequent subject of deep, mature reflection and patient study.”

“He is infinitely, impartially, immutably, and everlastingly good.”

“Whatever the creator does, or designs to do, it is certain to be influenced by His pure Goodness.”

“Love your parents if they are just, otherwise tolerate them.”

“To love one’s parents is the first law of nature.”

“Affection for parents is the foundation of every virtue.”

“The son follows the father’s religion.”

“Descent to hell is easy and fast.”

“You might look up one night and see a faint blur in the sky that is the Andromeda galaxy – our nearest spiral neighbor; more than 2 million light-years away. The light that reaches your retina now left Andromeda more than 2 million years ago, long before Homo Sapiens walked on earth. So the Andromeda we see today is really old news, 2 million years stale.”

“What do we really observe? Relativity theory has returned the answer – we only observe relations. Quantum theory returns another answer – we only observe probabilities.”

“The fundamental truths are based on symmetry, and there is a deep kind of beauty in that.”

“The number of molecules in a pint of water placed end to end would form a chain of encircling the Earth over 200 million times.”

“A pinhead heated to the temperature of the Center of the Sun would emit enough heat to kill anyone who ventured within a thousand miles of it.”

“In a now-classic series of studies, Stanford psychologist Amos Tversky and colleague Daniel

Kahneman concluded that most people will bend over backward to avoid small risks, even if that means sacrificing great potential rewards. “The threats of a loss has a greater impact on a decision than the possibility of an equivalent gain,” they concluded. People will risk a lot to prevent a loss, but risk very little for a possible gain.”

“Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.”

“The ignorant man marvels at the exceptional;
the wise man marvels at the common;
the greatest wonder of all is the regularity of nature.”

“The soft tongue breaketh the bone, the tamed tongue subdues the adversity.”

“The age of chivalry is never past, so long as there is a wrong left undressed on earth... The age of chivalry is never past, so long as we have faith enough to say, God will help me to redress that wrong; or, if not me, He will help those that come after me, for His eternal will is to overcome evil with good.”

“Worry, the great American disease.”

“Worry is the most popular form of suicide. Worry impairs appetite, disturbs sleep, warps character,

weakens the mind.”

“What can teachers and parents do to encourage and stimulate the growth of their students’ ‘internal motivation’... First, parents and teachers must find ways to make certain what we are teaching is relevant, and answer ‘why do we have to learn this stuff’, and then ‘when are we going to use this in the real world.’”

“Mental filtering or negative filtering is the action of selecting something negative, dwelling exclusively on it, and drawing conclusions based exclusively on the negative premises.”

“Bureaucratic institutions, whether corporations or government agencies, promote self-deception that may result in disaster for many persons.”

“The people most likely to succeed in the bureaucratic or corporate environment are those who allow themselves to be manipulated.”

“When people perceive themselves as objects to be molded to fit external criteria for organizational ends, they find it easier to see others as objects to be used... Such people master the rhetoric and vocabulary of the organization... Personal identity and values are sacrificed, self-deceptively rationalized for the good of the corporation.”

“Many people, in a mutually self-deceptive mode, often relinquish reality testing and turn decisions to those who appear to be omniscient and omnipotent. This phenomenon is seen in times of economic and political unrest when the populace will endow a strong leader with unreasonable powers.”

“A few narcissistic individuals in their grandiosity believe and convince others that they are such powerful figures. Their lives reinforce the self-deception of others, with potentially disastrous results.”

“The advantages of lying may increase power and wealth... wide-scale deceptive advertising programs are effective.”

“The successful lie can increase self-esteem... Lying may also maintain the self-deception of another person, making it possible to manipulate that person for one’s own personal gain.”

“People who use deception to manipulate the self-deception of others may be attempting to harness social forces in order to increase their own personal power. They may feed another person’s prejudice.”

“Deceit may be detrimental to society as a whole when it creates misinformation that is difficult to correct.”

“Jesus was a uniquely insurgent Jew, and thus his main critique was against certain Jewish teachings and groups within his own community. All this indicates that the Christian mission in society should start from within. The change should first take place in the Christian community itself. This is also true for Islam. The Qur’an says:

{Lo! Allah changes not the condition of a folk until they change that which is in themselves}”

“Jesus was executed by the Romans according to specific charges:

- 1- inciting a revolution.
- 2- advocating tax resistance.
- 3- claiming authority to set up an alternate government to the State.”

{We found this man inciting our people to revolt, opposing payment of the tribute to Ceasar, and claiming to be Christ, a king.} (Luke 23:2)

“Contemplation without resistance to an unjust social order is a form of spiritual sterility and capitulation.”

“Capitalist society which bombs abroad and consumes at home.”

“The basis of liberation can be found in solitude. In solitude, the depths of a man’s own aloneness lie the resources to injustice.”

“For a man to take responsibility in public for his society, he must have deeper integrity to take responsibility for his own inner life.”

“Our solidarity with the oppressed is the very basis of our own humanity.”

“The Greek word ‘Kosmos’ means order, hence the English word ‘Cosmos’, the word also containing overtones of ‘beauty’, from which ‘cosmetic’ has its origin.”

“Plutarch speaks of God as the absolute Reality who exists beyond time.”

“Plotinus concludes: We maintain, and it is evident truth, that the One is everywhere and yet nowhere.”

“May – the month of gladness – youth, love, song, and all that is beautiful in life.”

“Nagging – the constant repetition of an unpleasant truth.”

“November – No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease, no comfortable fee in any member – No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees, no fruits, no flowers, no leaves no birds, no-venber.”

“The only certainty is oblivion.”

“Opinion – A minimum of facts combined with prejudice and emotion.”

“Popular opinion – When ignorance rules wisdom.”

“Optimist – A boy who whistles on his way to school.”

“Orator – One who can make men see with their ears.”

“Pastor – One employed by the wicked to prove to them by his example that virtue doesn’t pay.”

“Pessimist – An individual who is happy when he is wrong.”

“Traffic policeman – A man who stays mad all the time.”

“Politician – A man who shakes your hand before the election and your confidence afterward.”

“Prejudice is the dislike for all that is unlike.”

“Procrastination is the thief of time.”

“Profanity – The effort of a feeble mind to express itself forcibly.”

“Luxury favors sinful thoughts. Temperance favors piety; the one gives the soul a heavenly taste, the other infects it with dispositions earthly, sensual, devilish.”

“Men are too apt to flatter themselves that God will not be so severe as He has threatened. This hardens men in sin and makes them boldly venture upon damnation. This is to represent God as a God not terrible in judgment. Let a just fear of God’s vengeance have its proper effect.”

“He that complains of the secular power is ignorant of the power of God.”

“Have no other view, but to please God.”

“He lives to no purpose who glorifies not God.”

“God Foreknowledge imposes no necessity upon the will. The corruption of the will is the sole cause of sin. God has no part in causing that corruption.”

“Omniscience of God: God sees everything. this is a matter of comfort to good men, and matter of terror to the wicked.”

“To live in God’s presence is the only way to perfection.”

“God very often conceals His almighty power and care over His creatures under means that seem altogether natural and human.”

“God, out of His goodness, requires nothing of us but what is for our advantage. He freely pardons our offenses, and even rewards the good, which He Himself works in us.”

“Faith. Knowledge. Without the gift of faith, men see nothing but absurdities in the mysteries of religion.”

“The devil ensnares us by tempting to ask how such things can be, that he may make us disbelieve the things themselves.”

“God has a right to be believed in what He has revealed, as well as to be obeyed in what He has commanded. The authority is the same. And God expects submission in one as well as the other instance.”

“We believe a man like ourselves upon his bare word; and yet, such is the corruption of our nature, that we make a difficulty of believing the word and oath of

God when it suits not our reason or thwarts our passions.”

“Be more intent upon the discharge of duty than upon the fruit of it.”

“True eloquence, is speaking of our duty clearly; true piety, is acting what one knows.”

“We reproach our Maker when we act as if we were made for little ends.”

“Disobedience to God’s Will, the occasion of all evil and misery.”

“Nothing is more contagious than the evil example of persons in authority, whether they be laymen or clergy.”

“If faith is not every day secured and increased by prayer, it will soon decay.”

“Seek not all wisdom in a well,
The stars have also things to tell.”

“The coward still finds cause to fear
Though danger maybe never near.”

“Pride always finds a sumptuous niche
In the heart of a beggar grown suddenly rich.”

“This is the law by which to live-
To give to get; to get to give.”

“If only given the occasion
A sinner does not need persuasion.”

“It would be folly for the rabbit
To mask itself in lion’s habit.”

“Many a seed worth sowing
Has proved a weed in
growing.”

“Character, not features,
Distinguishes God’s
creatures.”

“At many a joyful meeting
There is some heart with sorrow beating.”

“Not only did the soul need and long for God, but God
longed for the soul, though in a very different degree.”

“The saint’s spiritual attitude was one of adoration.

This is their secret. They thought of God not of themselves. Their prayer was centered not in

introspective sorrow for sin, not in anxious requests, not even in thanksgiving; but in adoration.”

“Men are prone to remember your faults and forget your virtues.”

“Fame is as fickle as the babble of men.”

“We can hide our faults from ourselves easier than from others.”

“Fear multiplies the enemy ten-fold.”

“Men like geese, follow in flocks.”

“Forgiveness: Let there be no room in thy heart for the memory of a wrong.”

“Never does the human heart appear so strong and noble as when it forgoes revenge.”

“Fury is fit for wild beasts, not for men.”

“It is well that the future is concealed.”

“We all consider venial

A vice we find congenial.”

“If all would practice what they preach
There would be no one left to teach.”

“The noblest life- the life of labor
The noblest love- the love of neighbor.”

“We always play the game to win,
We never think about the sin.”

“Rich, poor, or proud or gifted,
All through Death’s sieve are sifted.”

“The virtue of society
Is certainly not piety.”

“However great, however little,
All gods made out of clay are brittle.”

“Cunning has always cheated
Those who are most conceited.”

“Vain is the toil of any man
Who endeth not what he began.”

“Activity and sadness are incompatible.”

“Actions are ours, their consequences belong to heaven.”

“Action is eloquence; the eyes of the ignorant are more learned than their ears.”

“The acts of this life are the destiny of the next.”

“You may pay more for your schooling than your learning is worth.”

“An egotist is especially hated by other egotists.”

“In the end, the thing is praised.”

“You must endure that which cannot be altered.”

“The misery of man is derived from his idolatry, from his partly conscious and partly, unconscious effort to make himself, his race, and his culture his god.”

“What a piece of work is a man! How noble in reason! how infinite in faculty! in form, in moving, how express and admirable! in action how like an angel! in apprehension how like a god! the beauty of the world, the paragon of animals.”

“It is dangerous to make man see how like he is to animals without keeping his greatness in view. It is dangerous also to show him his greatness and not his baseness; and still, more to leave him ignorant of both. But it is most profitable to show him both.”

“The life of man, solitary, poor, nasty, brutish, and short.”

“When a man is wrapped up in himself he makes a pretty small package.”

“The state of man is inconsistency, boredom, anxiety.”

“Man – a being in search of meaning.”

“God created man in order to have someone on whom to shower His love.”

“Humility is the virtue by which a man recognizes his own unworthiness because he really knows himself.”

“The higher we are placed, the more humbly we should walk.”

“It is so stupid of modern civilization to have given up believing in the devil when he is the only explanation of it.”

“The enemy will not see you vanish into God’s company without an effort to reclaim you.”

“Only those who are under the influence of the devil deny the devil.”

“The devil comes where the money is; where it is not he comes twice.”

“Faith is often strengthened right at the place of disappointment.”

“The goal of God’s discipline is restoration – never condemnation.”

“A closed mind is a sign of a hidden doubt.”

“Duty is ours; consequences are God’s.”

“Teaching children to count is not as important as teaching them what counts.”

“If you think education is expansive, try ignorance.”

“The secret of education is respecting the pupil.”

“The aim of education is the knowledge not of fact, but of values.”

“To neglect the wise sayings of great thinkers is to deny ourselves our truest education.”

“The illiterate of the 21st century will not be those who cannot read and write, but those who cannot learn, unlearn, and relearn.”

“Big egos are big shields for lots of empty space.”

“Encouragement is the oxygen of the soul.”

“Vices tempt you by the rewards they offer.”

“Often in this present world, the most wicked men are the most prosperous, while the holiest are the most afflicted.”

“Nothing is more indecent than pride, especially in a young man.”

“Other vices choose to be in the dark; only pride loves always to be seen in the light.”

“We ought to be ashamed of our pride, but never proud of our shame.”

“Great riches have sold more men than they have bought.”

“When we begin to seek God, we become conscious that God is seeking us.”

“Truth has failed, will fail again,
If not backed by truthful men
Who lets falsehood known go by,
Propagates himself the lie.”

“Every violation of truth is not only a sort of suicide in the liar but a stab at the health of human society.”

“When a man has so far corrupted and prostituted the chastity of his mind, as to subscribe his professional belief to things he does not believe, he has prepared himself for the commission of every other crime.”

“It is wrong, always, everywhere, and for anyone, to believe anything upon insufficient evidence. If a man, holding a belief which he was taught in childhood or persuaded of afterwards, keeps down and pushes away any doubts which arise about it in his mind, purposely avoids the reading of books and the company of men that call in question or discuss it, and regards as impious those questions which cannot easily be asked without disturbing it – the life of that man is one long

sin against mankind.”

“The danger of society is not merely that it should believe wrong things, though that is great enough; but that it should become credulous, and lose the habit of testing things and inquiring into them, for then it must sink back into savagery.”

“Crows devour the eyes of the dead when the dead have no longer need of them. But flatterers destroy the souls of the living and blind their eyes.”

“Only we alone can bring about justice in the world. The cosmic powers outside of us do not make our ideals real. If mankind does not help itself, no one helps it. If we will not help our brothers, no one will.”

“To lose the sense of an ideal right, to yield it up before a show of might, – that is the only infidelity, the only atheism we need have any fear of.”

“Metanoia means afterthought; meta means after and nous means mind... Metanoia can be defined as a ‘transformative change of heart’, a spiritual conversion, the term suggests repudiation, change of mind, repentance, and atonement.”

“Metamelomai denotes ‘painful sorrow’ or ‘remorseful regret’.”

“Repentance means a fundamental change in thinking and living.”

“Metanoia involves withdrawing from ourselves, turning to God, laying aside the old, and putting on a new mind.”

“For to live is not for us, but to live nobly is indeed up to us.”

“It is normal, at the heart of capitalism, and natural and right for individuals of one class to reap their wealth at the expense of those who actually produce the wealth.”

“In terms of the Gospel, the history of man’s liberation from injustice is an outward aspect of the inward growth of man into God.”

“Liberation is a struggle for the non-violent transformation of a society of oppression and fear into a community of love.”

“It is equally faulty to trust everyone and to trust no one.”

“You should rebuke these two kinds of men – both those who lack repose and those who are always in repose.”

“For many men clutch and cling to life, even as those who are carried down a rushing stream clutch and cling to briars and sharp rocks.”

“Most men ebb and flow in wretchedness between the fear of death and the hardships of life; they are unwilling to live, and yet do not know how to die.”

“No good thing renders its possessor happy unless his mind is reconciled to the possibility of loss.”

“Nature’s needs are easily provided and ready to hand. It is the excessive things for which men sweat.”

“Inwardly we ought to be different in all aspects, but our exterior should conform to society.”

“This is the mean of which I approve; our life should observe a happy medium between the ways of a sage and the ways of the world at large.”

“You will be free of all things if you serve God.”

“Stop eating food while you still want more.”

“The sweetness of shameful pleasures quickly departs, but the reproach remains.”

“There is nothing that deprives a philosopher of his freedom.”

“Let your life be a struggle for seriousness.”

“The soul of sages are insatiable in their reverence for God.”

“Nothing is good that is unshared.”

“Do not consider one sin smaller than another.”

“To hoard wealth is not humane.”

“If you labor as much for the soul as you labor for the body, you will be wise.”

“There is nothing that can harm a sage.”

“Perfect virtue is not attained suddenly, but gradually with many sighs and pains.”

“All joy which is not of God soon departs, pollutes, and injures.”

“He who loves God accepts the bitter and sweet, as

alike from Him, and thank God.”

“He stands well and sure, who places his trust not in himself, not in men, but in God.”

“He is mighty in strength, who opposes himself valiantly to vice. He is of a great heart who overcomes his evil desires. He is held worthy to sit with the angels of heaven, who lives purely on earth.”

“You are my praise, O God, forever. The sense receiveth not, the understanding reacheth not; how glorious is God in His saints, how wonderful is His majesty.”

“In all you do have God before your eyes. Be careful that you do not offend Him.”

“Success has ruined many a man.”

“Most people sell their souls, and live with a good conscience on the proceeds.”

“Wisdom is to the soul what health is to the body.”

“The wise does at once what the fool does at last.”

“Words are the clothes that thoughts wear – only the

clothes.”

“Architecture is a sort of oratory of power.”

“An average man is a person who thinks he isn’t.”

“The tongue of him who utters a slander, and the ear of him who listens to it, are brothers.”

“Sin forsaken is one of the best evidence of sin forgiven.”

“The very animal whose smell is most offensive to us have no idea that they are offensive; And man, fallen man, has just no idea what a vile thing sin is in the sight of God and His angels.”

“I can offer no worship wholly pleasing to God if I know that I am harbouring elements in my life that are displeasing to him. I cannot truly and joyfully worship God on Sunday and not worship Him on Monday.”

“Look out for the beginning of sin. The thin edge of the wedge always comes first... Resist beginnings.”

“The business of life is to be moving Godwards happy or unhappy. Yet happiness is most likely to come to those who are so moving.”

“Try it anyway is a good motto. There is a chance that you might succeed. Even if you do not, you will be no worse off than before. Faint-hearted refusal is the worst kind of failure.”

“The true way to increase any Christlike trait of character is to deliberately and tirelessly practice it. Like a muscle, it grows by stress and strain. Practice patience and cheerfulness, for example, regularly, and they will grow stronger, whether you enjoy the exercise or not.”

“Life is what we are alive to. It is not length but breadth. To be alive only to appetite, pleasure, pride, money-making, and not goodness and kindness, purity and love, history, poetry, music, flowers, stars, God and eternal hopes, it is to be all but dead.”

“God has promised to satisfy – but He did not promise when. God has time enough, and so have you. God has boundless resources, and His resources are yours. He knows what is best for you, He has reasons for denying you now, but in the end, He will satisfy.”

“I entreat you to ever remember the cause of the oppressed, and ever to condemn a system of legislation calculated to reduce the laboring classes to a state of abject and hopeless servitude.”

“Job is known for his fear of God, Leviathan for his lack of fear.”

“Wisdom functions as a bridge between the realm of wonder and the realm of action. It joins heaven and earth.”

“The wise person is characterized first of all, by fear.”

“If you are unwilling to suffer, you refuse to be crowned, fight manfully, endure patiently.”

“Do not only take occasions of doing good when they are thrust upon thee but study how to do all the good you can. Zeal for good works will make thee plot and contrive for them, consult and take advice for them.”

“When our worth declines, our taste also declines.”

“Every duty we omit obscures some truth we should have known.”

“We cannot really know the truth unless we love it. They who love well will know well.”

“True quietness of the heart is gotten by resisting our passions, not by obeying them.”

“Come to me, O ye children!
And whisper in my ear
What the birds and winds are singing
In your sunny atmosphere.”

“Cheerful looks make every dish a feast.”

“Stand by your conscience, your honor, your faith
Stand like a hero, and battle till death.”

“God is better served by resisting the temptation to evil
than by many formal prayers.”

“If wisdom’s ways you wisely seek,
Five things observe with care:
To whom you speak, of whom you speak,
And how, and when, and where.”

“Stand like a knight in armor
When sin allureth thee.”

“The greatest truths are the simplest and so are the
greatest men.”

“Equip thy soul for battle.”

“You ought to have good hope for getting the victory;
but you must not be secure, lest you wax either
negligent or proud.”

“Be able to be alone.”

“By all means use sometimes to be alone.
Statute thyself; see what thy soul doth wear.”

“When the fight begins within himself,
A man’s worth something.”

“And yet there are times when the truest courage is
shown in retreating from a temptation.”

“As light increases we see ourselves to be worse than
we thought.”

“Build thee more stately mansions, O my soul,
As swift seasons roll;
Leave thy low vaulted past!
Let each new temple, nobler than the last,
Shut thee from heaven with a dome more vast.”

“But why will you defer your good purpose from day
to day? Arise and begin in this very instant and say:
‘Now is the time to be doing, now is the time to be

striving, now is the fit time to amend myself.””

“The way of life is wonderful; it is by abandonment.”

“Without labour, there is no arriving at rest, nor without fighting can the victory be reached.”

“Greed is not a quality, but a defect in human nature, a failing which ought to be discouraged, and not otherwise.”

“Greed is a passion akin to gambling: the gambler can seldom stop at a certain limit; neither can a greedy man curb his greed, unless he is compelled to do so.”

“Greed reduces man to a rank below dumb animals; the brute knows when he has had enough; a greedy man does not.”

“Greed is mighty. It forces men to violate their best intention, to forget their sincere resolution, and to trample heartlessly upon the rights of others, during their wild chase after more wealth.”

“Greed, once grasping a man in its clutches, renders him more dangerous to society than a wild beast. A beast may devour a man or two; a man possessed by greed devours thousands of lives by driving them to degradation and an early grave.”

“Greed is not a modern phenomenon; it is as ancient as mankind... Plutarch testifies about Marcus Crassus in 60 B.C. noticing frequent conflagrations in Rome, he made it his business to buy houses on fire, and others adjoining them, at a very low price, by reason of fear or distress of the owners.”

“A great banker once said: Buy when others are anxious to sell, and sell when others are anxious to buy. That’s the way to get rich.”

“Unlimited ownership, as an institution, is an incentive to greed.”

“A child never enjoys his toy unless he knows it is his own, to keep. This conception to keep is magical.”

“Many internet trolls are ‘everyday sadists’.”

“‘Everyday sadist’ is to emphasize the sub-clinical levels of sadism, and not the more extreme forms that are seen in serial killers and criminals.”

“The essential aspect of sadism is the enjoyment of cruelty... Hurting people is exciting.”

“Sadism rate high on the dark triad: narcissism, psychopathology, Machiavellianism.”

“Trolls are often insatiably nasty. There is no reasoning with them. Don’t feed the trolls.”

“Aggressive behavior brings emotional pain to the sadist, the mood of the aggressor goes down following the event.”

“The soul, by its sense of right, or its perception of moral distinctions, is clothed with sovereignty over itself, and through it alone it understands and recognizes the Sovereign of the universe.”

“Let us not disparage that nature which is common to all men; for no thought can measure its grandeur... He who possesses the divine powers of the soul is a great being, be his place what it may. You may clothe him with rags, may immerse him in a dungeon, may chain him with slavish tasks. Be he is still great.”

“Perhaps in our presence, the most heroic deed on earth is done in some silent spirit.”

“Whatever is excellent and venerable in human beings is of God, and in attaching ourselves to it we are preparing our hearts for its Author.”

“Society is now degraded through all its laws, institutions, and customs, by the blindness of men to

the Divine Principle within themselves, and one another.”

“Religion gives life, strength, elevation to the mind, by connecting it with the Infinite Mind... It is religion alone which nourishes patient, resolute hopes, and efforts for our own souls... Without God, our existence has no support, our life no aim, our improvement no permanence... Take away God, and life becomes mean, and man poorer than the brute.”

“Within you is the grandest truth.”

“A faithful person is a chosen person,

A chosen person is a person who belongs to God,

A person who belongs to God is one who is worthy of God,

Worthy of God is one who does nothing unworthy of God.

So if you are striving to be faithful, do nothing unworthy of God.”

“In faith, one with little faith is one without faith.”

“Truly faithful is the one who is sinless.”

“Consider that both the rewards and the punishments given to you at the judgment will be unending.”

“To the neighbor who would take from you yield everything except your freedom.”

“A sage without property is like God.”

“Consider your soul a deposit you have from God.”

“An angel is God’s servant to humanity, for he is such to no one else; thus human being is more honored before God than an angel.”

“Being chosen, you have within the constitution of yourself something godlike; therefore treat yourself as God’s temple.”

“Let the world revere your way of life.”

“That which you honor above all things will rule

you.” “When you speak about God, you are judged by

God.” “Realize that the best purification is to wrong

no one.” “A soul is purified by a word of God from a

sage.” “No beer or wine for you and me,

No ale or brew at all,
The reason is that they are
Part poison-alcohol.
It's alcohol that does the harm
In beer or wine, you see.
We'll never touch a drop of it,
No, none for you and me.”

“Not for a day,
Can I discern the way,
But this I surely know;
Who gives the day
Will show the way,
So I surely go.”

“I am but one
I cannot do all things,
But I can do some things.
What I can do I ought to do.
By the help of God, I will do.”

“Prayer is not eloquence, but earnestness, it is the cry
of faith to the ear of mercy.”

“Prayer is love's yearning to pour out everything into
the bosom of God. It is the act of trustful surrender,
which leaves everything in His hands. Surrender to

God in prayer. In prayer, we resign ourselves, and all that interest us, to God. This is the highest kind of giving. But the highest kind of giving is at the same time the highest kind of receiving.”

“Prayer should be the key of the day, and the lock of the night.”

“Let your prayers be as frequent as your wants, and your thanksgiving as your blessings.”

“Prayer is a weapon of the feeble; weakest souls wield it best.”

“Poets are all who love, who feel great truths, and tell them.”

“Prayer is the telegraph wire between earth and heaven, and faith is the electric current, without which the wires are useless.”

“Faith brings forth praise. He who can trust will soon sing.”

“The greatest honor to offer God is to know and become like God.”

“Nothing is like God, but dearest to him is that he who

becomes like Him as much as possible.”

“Honor what is best so that you may also be governed by what is best.”

“A pious person’s intellect is a holy temple of God.”

“The best altar for God is a heart pure and sinless.”

“God has need for nothing; the faithful one has need only for God.”

“Practice being great with God while not arousing envy with people.”

“If you are kind to those in need, you will be great with God.”

“Whatever time you do not spend thinking about God, consider this to be lost to you.”

“Let your body alone be at home on earth, let your soul always be with God.”

“A good intellect is the abode of God; an evil intellect is the abode of Satan.”

“Honor justice for its own sake.”

“You cannot hide your doing of unjust acts from God any more than you can hide your intention to do them.”

“A moderate man is holy before God.”

“Flee intemperance.”

“Control pleasures.”

“Children grow up, parents grow old.”

“Like seven, so at seventy.”

“Let it be gray as long as it will stay.”

“Anger and rage will make you age.”

“Important people act humble; humble people act important.”

“The worst wheel squeaks the loudest.”

“Borrowing causes sorrowing.”

“Ingratitude is so dangerous to itself. . . For every ungrateful man is his own enemy. This, of all wickedness imaginable, is certainly the vice which most divides distract human nature.”

“Alexander complained that he wanted more worlds.”

“Those which the world call happy, their felicity is a false splendor, that dazzles the eye of the vulgar; but our rich man is glorious and happy within.”

“Among the famous and detestable speeches, I know none worse than that impudent and tyrannical maxim, “Let them hate me, so they fear me.” Not considering that those that are kept in obedience by fear, are both malicious and mercenary, and only wait for an opportunity to change their master.”

“Whoever threatens all is in danger of all.”

“But what if it is safe to be cruel? were it not still a sad thing, the very hate of such a government! A government that bears the image of a taken city, where there is nothing but sorrow, trouble, and confusion. Men dare not so much as trust themselves with their friends or with their pleasures. How horrid a madness is it to be still raging and killing; to have the rattling of chains always in our ears; bloody spectacles before our eyes, and to carry terror and dismay wherever we go!”

“The more you speak of yourself, the more you are likely to lie.”

“Prayer is a confession of one’s own unworthiness and weakness.”

“To love to preach is one thing, to love those to whom you preach, quite another.”

“Opinions grounded on prejudice are always sustained with the greatest violence.”

“No one can eliminate prejudices – just recognize them.”

“Prejudices are what rule the populace.”

“It is easier to fight for one’s own principles than to live up to them.”

“It is not talking nonsense that offends, but talking it in the name of principles.”

“Putting off an easy thing makes it harder, and putting off a hard one makes it impossible.”

“Timely service, like timely gifts, is doubled in value.”

“Promptness is the soul of business.”

“In prosperity, let us take great care to avoid pride, scorn, and arrogance.”

“Prosperity makes friends, adversity tries them.”

“It is less difficult to bear misfortune than to remain uncorrupted by prosperity.”

“One is never more on trial than in the moment of excessive good fortune.”

“The certainty of punishment is the preventive of crime.”

“We are not punished for our sins, but by them.”

“We do not aim to correct the man we hang; we correct and warn others by him.”

“Shakespeare: Your face is a book, where men may read strange matters.”

“A good face is the best recommendation.”

“The cheek is apter than the tongue to tell an errand.”

“All men’s faces are true, whatsoever their hands are.”

“Truth makes the face of that person shine who speaks and owns it.”

“Faces are as legible as books, with this in their favor, that they may be perused in much less time, and are less liable to be misunderstood.”

“The faces that charmed us the most escape us the soonest.”

“Features are the visible expression of the soul – the outward manifestation of the feeling and character within.”

“I more and more see this, that we judge men’s abilities less from what they say or do than from what they look. It is the man’s face that gives him weight. His doing help, but not more than his brow.”

“I never knew a genius yet who did not carry about him, either in face or person or in a certain inexplicable grace of manner, the patent of nobility which heaven has bestowed upon him.”

“Extremists’ strategy is to devalue the entire concept of truth. Facts are presented as partisan.”

“The lines between true and false, reality and fiction, are becoming more blurred than ever.”

“Since lies and hoaxes have turned out to sell better than truth, the wild invention of facts has increasingly become a business.”

“Extremism is about grievances, identities, and ideologies. The two opposing ones reinforce each other’s grievances, identities, and ideologies... We, therefore, need to challenge both sides’ binary worldviews and to create a stronger sense of collective identity that reunites rather than divides our societies... We should equip young people with curiosity, courage, and critical thinking skills.”

“Those who live for gain or pleasure, and not to make themselves wise and worthy, are ignoble.”

“What the superior man seeks is in himself; what the small man seeks is in others.”

“It is wise at night to read, but for a few minutes some book which will compose and soothe the mind; which will bring us face to face with true facts of life, death, and eternity; which will make us remember that man doth not live by bread alone.”

“Give me, O Lord, heavenly wisdom, that I may learn above all things to seek Thee, and to find Thee; above all things, to relish Thee, and to love Thee, and so understand all other things as they are, according to the order of Thy wisdom.”

“Let the young be taught to believe in the best things – in courage, magnanimity, truthfulness, chastity, and love.”

“Religion is the perfection of wisdom.”

“No material prosperity can compare with a rich mind. It is a perpetual wellspring of satisfaction, of enjoyment. It enables one to bear up under misfortune, to be cheerful under discouragement, trials, and tribulations, which overwhelm a shallow mind and an empty heart.”

“In an assembly do not strive to speak first.”

“Deceive no one, especially one in need of advice.”

“Wisdom leads a soul to God.”

“Among the faithful, listen rather than speak.”

“A wise man is a benefactor next after God.”

“In governing human beings remember that you are governed by God.”

“The danger is greater in being a judge than facing a judge.”

“In faith, a love of reputation is the foremost cause of a God reputation.”

“Honor being faithful by being faithful.”

“It is difficult for a rich person to be saved.”

“It is just as much a sin to censure a wise man as it is to censure God.”

“It is not possible to live nobly without truly having faith.”

“The result of evil is rudeness and disrespectful conduct, i.e. insolence, and the result of insolence is ruin.”

“Injustice is the soul’s death.”

“The faithful person will act badly toward no one.”

“To the masses a wise man seems useless.”

“God does not listen to the prayer of one who does not listen to people in need.”

“The one who does not love a sage does not love himself.”

“Guard yourself against the praise of those without faith.”

“A wise man is thrifty with time.”

“Use outspokenness with respect.”

“For a sage, even sleep involves self-control.”

“Don’t flatter people to their faces or revile them behind their backs.”

“One brings a good appetite to someone else’s feast.”

“A fool won’t benefit from a scolding.”

“A fool can’t be out-witted.”

“When a wise man talks to a fool, two fools are conversing.”

“A wise man conceals his intelligence, a fool displays his foolishness.”

“‘Bad’ is quickly learned.”

“If everyone swept his own doorstep, the whole street would be clean.”

“They are both in love – he with himself, she with herself.”

“The innkeeper loves the drunkard but he won’t let him marry his daughter.”

“He who can lick can also bite.”

“Deceiving others is no big trick.”

“Tasty is the fish on someone else’s dish.”

“Don’t look for a fight even when you are right.”

“When there’s too much – something is missing.”

“A lie you must not tell, the truth you’re not obliged to tell.”

“The thinker is one who strives to awaken himself from the dream of life, in which the multitude pass their existence.”

“The mind grows shallow when occupied perpetually with trivialities. A course of solid reading is a good tonic.”

“Moral training has for the most part been cast out of our public schools. Every faculty, except the highest and the noblest, is exercised and invigorated; but the crowning faculty is ignored; and unless its education can be secured, our young men and women will be graduated as moral imbeciles.”

“Wisdom does not show itself so much in precept as in life – in the firmness of mind and mastery of appetite. It teaches us to do, as well as to talk.”

“Culture must make us more virtuous, or it is not culture.”

“In a culture of ignorance, appalling ignorance not only flourishes, but it is also flaunted, even celebrated. It becomes an ideological stance.”

“Currently, there is an inherent slang term for this phenomenon: derp. It is refusal to know and a denial of the possibility of error.”

“When such ignorance is influential, it becomes difficult not only to solve social problems but even to acknowledge them as problems. Who weeps for the truth.”

“Ignorance is by definition a lack of knowledge and stupidity is by definition a mental dullness that indicates an inability to learn or a sustained disinterest in learning.”

“Today, our ignorance can be sustained by ‘user-preference’ technology.”

“Whatever our beliefs, we may enjoy a cozy informational cocoon in which we hear only the news, opinions, music, and voices we prefer. Ideas that challenge our views never reach us.”

“What is going on in today’s culture of ignorance is complicated, many possible precipitating conditions:

- 1- the thrall of fundamentalist religion and partisan political ideology.
- 2- the conflation of news and entertainment.
- 3- the seduction of virtual reality.

4- the corruption of pure science by “sponsored”

research and profit motives.

5- the silence of the rational

center.” “Eternal vigilance is the price of

liberty.”

“People are too indifferent and too self-satisfied to be mindful of their liberties.”

“In a land of plenty, where the willing hand of industry has created untold wealth, why should that hand be paralyzed for want of the very wealth it has created? Why should comfortable food, clothing, and homes be denied to those who produced these things in such abundance?”

“Why do you wonder, O man, at the height of the stars, or the depth of the sea; enter into your own soul, and wonder there.”

“Two things fill the mind with ever-increasing awe and admiration; the star-lit heavens above, and the Moral Law within.”

“Let a man be a good cheer about his soul, who has cast away the pleasures and ornaments of the body as alien to him, and has followed after the pleasures of knowledge in life, who has adorned the soul in her

own proper jewels, which are temperance, and justice,
and courage, and nobility, and truth.”

“When that last hour shall come, you will begin to have a far different opinion of your whole life that is past, and be exceeding sorry you have been so careless and remiss.”

“How happy is he born and taught,
That serveth not another’s will;
Whose armor is his honest thought,
And simple truth his utmost skill.
This man is freed from servile bands
Of hope to rise, or fear to fall;
Lord of himself, though not of lands;
And having nothing, yet hath all.”

“For all flesh is as grass and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth and the flower thereof falleth away.”

“The brave make of danger an opportunity.”

“To be disinterested is to be strong, and the world is at the feet of him whom it cannot tempt.”

“The condition and characteristic of a fool are this: he never expects from himself profit nor harm. but from externals.”

“God wants our all.”

“God can do great things with our lives if we but give them to Him in sincerity.”

“God loves to give to those who love to let Him have His way.”

“Consecration means to be, to do, and to suffer the will of God.”

“Consecration means to let God absolutely have His way with you.”

“God Almighty, with all His power, is wholly for thee; be thou wholly for God.”

“Always put God in the beginning.”

“Open the doors to the religion. It will make this world a paradise. It will sweeten the everyday trials of life, the little perplexities and annoyances, little sorrows and trials, little disappointments and mistakes.”

“Abandon yourself completely and forever to God, and let Him sweep you out into abundant life.”

“There are no disappointments to those whose wills are

buried in the will of God.”

“All nature is under God’s government and above men’s laws.”

“Courts punish evil, religion prevents it.”

“To crush the budding spirit of a child is a grave mistake.”

“Religion and life must not be two things. Life to be worthwhile must have Religion, and Religion to be worthwhile must be translated into terms of practical life.”

“First of all, religion declares its object to be adjustment of human relationships, ‘the making of the world a better place to live in.’ It is first ethical, then spiritual. It finds more God in the rightening of the wrong than mystic sanctity.”

“The new inspiration of religion is the splendid reality of the soul’s experience in the intimate communion and deeper sense of God.”

“Since religion is nature at her highest and human nature at its best, it is written on every page of the Book of Life, it is not something that is to comfort me when I am at my lowest; it is something to hearten me

when I am at my busiest. Religion is not a raft shoved out to a sinking man, but it is the clothing of the mind... It involves crystalline sincerity, It involves an ear hospitable to every good. This implies a teachable spirit, an open-minded hospitality so that light might enter the mind.”

“Religion is not easy... Not only must a student of religion have a crystalline sincerity and a teachable spirit, but earnestness. Men demand easy religion... I have no interest in an easy religion... The religious life should be difficult in its thinking, difficult in its struggle... the religious life, to be worthwhile, ought to be difficult, not because it is unnatural, or supernatural but because it is natural.”

“Religion, in its essence, realizes its aspirations in worship, and its obligations in obedience to the law. It has its roots in human nature, its flower in human emotions, its fruit in human conduct. Its end is the regeneration of society, in which the full-grown man shall appear as the normal product.”

“Let your desire be to see God; your fear, that you may lose Him; your sorrow, that you are not having fruition with Him; your joy, that He can bring you to Himself. Thus you will live in great peace.”

“Think not thou canst sigh a sigh
And thy Maker is not by:

Think not thou canst weep a tear,
And thy Maker is not near.”

“To philosophize is no other thing than for a man to
prepare himself to death.”

“Invest in the future, have a child, and teach them
well.”

“If you choose to be courageous then you have to let go
of the need of comfort.”

“Many people watch, but few see.”

“More important than giving to the poor is to stop
taking from them.”

“Now is the seed of eternity.”

“People don’t care how much you know until they
know how much you care.”

“People of genius are admired, people of wealth are
envied; people of power are feared, but only people of
character are trusted.”

“From a pure spring pure water flows.”

“It is absurd that he should rule others who know not how to rule himself.”

“The mind attracted by what is false refuses better things.”

“He is better equipped for life, as for swimming, who has the lesser to carry.”

“Adversity reminds men of religion.”

“Cheerful for others, wise to himself.”

“A true friend is a rare bird.”

“The crown of old age is authority.”

“Nothing is harsher than a low man raised to a high position.”

“Gentleness is the remedy of cruelty.”

“We are illuminated through obedience. Revelation is granted through duty. We learn most divine secrets in prayer.”

“Growth for the sake of growth is the ideology of the cancer cells.”

“The mood of levity is a guilty mood.”

“Not to know is bad; not to wish to know is worse.”

“Don’t count the days, make the days count.”

“If you don’t take charge of shaping your own destiny, others will apply their agenda to you.”

“Knowledge is not wisdom unless used wisely.”

“Activity is the best antidote of fear.”

“A first step to being wise is loving wisdom.”

“A library of wisdom is more precious than all wealth.”

“Don’t try to be the best in the world, try to be the best for the world.”

“Everyone is entitled to their own opinions but not to their own facts.”

“Every saint has a past, every sinner has a future.”

“Give the children small presents of money and the like, this helps their studies.”

“It is easy to be tolerant when you don’t care.”

“Mixing old and new wisdom mix well.”

“Wisdom is greater than knowledge, for wisdom includes knowledge and the due use of it.”

“It requires wisdom to understand wisdom.”

“The chief aim of wisdom is to enable one to bear with the stupidity of the ignorant.”

“The beginning of wisdom is to desire it.”

“The invariable mark of wisdom is to see the miraculous in the common.”

“True wisdom consists in seeing what is to come.”

“Be wiser than other people if you can, but do not tell them so.”

“Young men have a passion for regarding their elders

as senile.”

“God, give me hills to climb and strength for climbing.”

“Books must be treated with respect.”

“It is as cruel to bore a child as to beat him.”

“Children should be seen and not heard.”

“Children are completely egoistic; they feel their needs intensely and strive ruthlessly to satisfy them.”

“The intellect, in becoming a pander to vice, a tool of the passions, an advocate of lies, becomes not only degraded but diseased. It loses the capacity of distinguishing truth from falsehood, good from evil, right from wrong.”

“Whoever desires that his intellect may grow up to healthy vigor, must begin with moral discipline.”

“It is vain to chafe at mystery – it is appropriate to consciousness as clearness to the intellect. We are very near the fount of all things when we feel that there is a mystery.”

“Any attempt to preach a purer religion must go along with attempts at social reform.”

“It is a good thing that religion is not bound with all our creeds and institutions – progress would be impossible. But progress will never be organic until the religious spirit breathes through every act and institution.”

“Philosophy is the proof of the end, religion is the assertion of the end.”

“Some people’s minds are like a place of public meeting – all kinds of opinions appear there in turn, and leave it just as they found it, empty and open to every comer.”

“Man lifts his head for one moment above the waves, gives one wild glance around, and perishes. but that glance, was it for nothing?”

“Custom without reason is an ancient error.”

“Contempt leaves a deeper scar than anger.”

“Covetous minds naturally fear want.”

“Beware of such as delight in vanity and lying, and

defaming of others, and withdraw thyself from them.”

“Duty – what one expects from others.”

“A drunkard – like a whiskey bottle, all neck and belly, and no head.”

“Economist – A person who forecasts business conditions after they have happened.”

“Economist – A person who is academically trained in the art of guessing the future wrong with confidence.”

“Executive – One who has the faculty of earning his bread by the work of other people.”

“Executive – One who hires others to do what he is hired to do.”

“Flattery – telling the other person what he thinks of himself.”

“Flattery corrupts both the receiver and the giver.”

“Girl – Innocence playing in the mud; Beauty standing on its head; and Motherhood dragging a doll by the foot.”

“Hell – self-love and the love of the world.”

“Hell is full of the ungrateful.”

“All great joys are serious.”

“Laziness- a human characteristic sometimes mistook for patience.”

“Library- a hospital for the mind.”

“Justice shines by its own light.”

“Let justice be done, though the heavens fall.”

“Pardon one offense, and you encourage many.”

“You are guilty of a crime when you do not punish a crime.”

“Justice is half religion.”

“Justice, even if slow, is sure.”

“Impulse manages all things badly.”

“Greed; grasp all, lose all.”

“Greedy folks have long arms.”

“The eye is bigger than the mouth.”

“Life is but jest:

A dream, a doom;

A gleam, a gloom

—

And then — good rest!

Life is but play;

A throb, a tear:

A sob, a sneer;

And then — good day.”

“If two angels came down from heaven to execute a divine command, and one was appointed to conduct an empire and the other to sweep a street, they would feel no inclination to change employment. The call to go would suffice.”

“Who is too powerful seeks power beyond his power.”

“Every religion is good that teaches man to be good.”

“Religion is the elder sister of philosophy.”

“Religion should be the rule of life, not a casual incident of it.”

“Religion without joy is no religion.”

“A religious life is a struggle, not a hymn.”

“A man without religion is like a beast without a bridle.”

“The life of religion is to do good.”

“Rebellion to tyrants is obedience to God.”

“If you would be powerful, pretend to be powerful.”

“Power weakens the wicked.”

“Lust for power is the strongest of all passions.”

“A mountain and a river are good neighbors.”

“One hour in doing justice is worth a hundred in prayer.”

“The memory of the just is blessed.”

“As crimes do grow, justice should rouse herself.”

“Be just before you are generous.”

“Justice is blind.”

“Justice without wisdom is impossible.”

“Sparing justice feeds iniquity.”

“There is no god dare wrong a worm.”

“Prejudice is the child of ignorance.”

“A difference of opinion alienates only little minds.”

“Men never do evil completely and cheerfully as when they do it from religious conviction.”

“Like the bee gathering honey from different flowers, the wise man accepts the essence of different Scriptures and sees only the good in all religions.”

“Do not despise others because, as it seems to you, they do not possess the virtues you thought they had; they may be pleasing to God for other reasons which you cannot discover.”

“Human diversity makes tolerance more than a virtue, it makes it a requirement for survival.”

“Tolerance is the positive and cordial effort to understand another’s beliefs, practices, and habits without necessarily sharing or accepting them.”

“Nothing dies so hard, or rallies so often, as intolerance.”

“Whoever kindles the flames of intolerance is lighting a fire underneath his own house.”

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

“Faith is a climbing instinct, which draws us upward and onward.”

“Knowledge is a big subject. Ignorance is bigger. And more interesting.”

“If the world knew our happiness, it would, out of sheer envy, invade our retreats.”

“The vision of God is the greatest happiness to which a person can attain.”

“A faithful friend is the medicine of life.”

“The ornament of a home is the friends who frequent it.”

“God gives His wrath by weight, and without weight His mercy.”

“Disdain not your inferior in the gifts of fortune, for he may be your superior in the gifts of the mind.”

“Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.”

“Modesty is a shining light, it prepares the mind to receive knowledge, and the heart for truth.”

“How beautiful is modesty! it winneth upon all beholders.”

“There are thousands of our successful money-makers who are paying a big price for their fortunes. It is not charged that they are dishonest or in a wicked line of business, but simply that they sacrifice too much that is better than money in quantities which make it a burden rather than comfort, and which, in many cases brings life itself to a premature end. The price is surely too big.”

“The happiest children are those who have happy mothers. The young life which grows up in the shadow of a discontented, repining, and gloomy mother is like a plant unwatered by kindly dews; it is apt to be dwarfed and stunted. Even when things are crooked, and temptations to be harsh some, let the mother, for her sons’ and daughters’ sake, try to be happy.”

“Religion must be taught intensively, truly.”

“Man had gradually had the life of the spirit and the capacity for God crushed out of him by an inhuman way of life of which he is both the product and the slave.”

“The secular false prophets have silenced the messengers of God and reduced the world to a spiritual wasteland. But in the darkness of defeat and degradation, the seeds of light were being sown... What use are the lessons learned through our suffering and misery if no bridge can be thrown from one side to the other shore? What is the point of our revulsion from error and fear if it brings no enlightenment and does not penetrate the darkness and dispel it?”

“It is part of the cure to wish to be cured.”

“Good language cures great sores.”

“The cure may be worse than the disease.”

“What cannot be cured must be endured.”

“The most cunning is the first caught.”

“Babbling, foolish vanity, and vain curiosity have the same parentage.”

“Break the leg of an evil habit.”

“Habit in infancy becomes nature in old age.”

“Habit is the guide of the ignorant.”

“Habit makes all things easy.”

“Old custom without truth is but an old error.”

“Tyrant custom makes a slave of reason.”

“A danger foreseen is half avoided.”

“Dangers precede victories.”

“He who falls today may rise tomorrow.”

“One hour today is worth two tomorrow.”

“What is wrong today won't be right tomorrow.”

“A sudden death is the best.”

“I had rather die than be debased.”

“Deeds are fruits, words are leaves.”

“Ill deeds are doubled with an evil word.”

“Defiance provokes an enemy.”

“Away with delay! it always injures those that are prepared.”

“Deliberate slowly, execute promptly.”

“Let the drunkard alone and he will fall of himself.”

“The drunkard is discovered by his praise of wine.”

“Drunkenness is a bewitching devil, a pleasant poison,

and a sweet sin.”

“Drunkenness makes some men fools, some beasts, and some devils.”

“What you do when drunk you must pay for when sober.”

“Duty before pleasure.”

“Do not give your heart to that which does not satisfy your heart.”

“Follow diligently the Way in your heart, but make no display of it to the world.”

“Against whom does Satan multiply his malicious assaults? Against those in whom God has multiplied His graces. Satan is too crafty a pirate to attack an empty vessel; he seeks to rob those vessels which are richly laden.”

“As the most dangerous winds may enter little openings, so the devil never enters more dangerously than by little, unobserved incidents, which seem to be nothing, yet insensibly open the heart to great temptations.”

“The sage attends to the inner, not to the outer.”

“He who knows others is clever, but he who knows himself is enlightened. He who overcomes others is strong, but he who overcomes himself is mightier still.”

“Do not publish people’s defects.”

“Do not rake up old grievances.”

“Don’t fall into the fire to be saved from the smoke.”

“Never insult people in distress.”

“Conscience is the chamber of justice.”

“A corporation has no soul to be damned nor a body to be kicked.”

“What costs little is little esteemed.”

“Courage in danger is half the battle.”

“Courage in war is safer than cowardice.”

“It is courage that vanquishes in war and not good weapons.”

“No exile or danger can fright a brave spirit.”

“Who has no courage must have legs.”

“The best way of difficulty is through it.”

“Difficulties strengthen the mind, as labor does the body.”

“The greater the obstacle, the more glory we have in overcoming it; the difficulties with which we are met are the maids of honor which set off virtue.”

“To be in good moral condition requires at least as much training as to be in good physical condition.”

“The root of all discontent is self-love.”

“Disgrace does not consist in the punishment, but in the crime.”

“Wherever there is authority, there is a natural inclination to disobedience.”

“Every excess becomes a vice.”

“Who does not punish evil invites it.”

“Run not from one extreme to another.”

“It is better to trust the eye than the ear.”

“The eye is blind if the mind is absent.”

“What the eyes see the heart believes.”

“Rich people are in imminent danger. Money has an assimilating influence – It is hard, it hardens the heart; it is blind, it obscures our vision.”

“We must not expect to gain heaven by a few feeble efforts or desires.”

“Prejudice is the dislike for all that is unlike.”

“Preaching is to constantly remind mankind of what mankind is constantly forgetting.”

“Prayer is a force as real as terrestrial gravity.”

“Politician: A man who shakes your hand before the election and your confidence afterwards.”

“Popular opinion: When ignorance rules wisdom.”

“The only certainty is oblivion.”

“Procrastination is the thief of time.”

“Profanity: The effort of a feeble mind to express itself forcibly.”

“A psychotic is one who believes that two and two make five whereas a neurotic knows that two and two are four, but it makes him nervous.”

“Quiet is what home would be without children.”

“Repentance is is when you are angry with yourself.”

“Selfishness is not living as one wishes to live; it is asking others to live as one wishes to live.”

“The first step to self-knowledge is self-distrust.”

“Success is when you live miserably in order to die rich.”

“Success is making more money to meet obligations you wouldn't have if you didn't have so much money.”

“A teacher is one who, in his youth, admired teachers.”

“Tears are not the mark of weakness but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues.”

“Tolerance is sometimes an agreement to tolerate intolerance.”

“Pornography, like rape, is designed to dehumanize women, to reduce the female to an object of sexual access.”

“He who maligns the good maligns himself. The ashes that are thrown at the sky fall on one’s head.”

“Pornography commends behavior which exploits and degrades people.”

“Some are ruined by ignorance. Some are destroyed by carelessness. Some are ruined by the pride of their knowledge. Yet others are ruined by these ruined people.”

“When a mean person maligns a noble person, the noble one does not retaliate. When a dog barks at a man, the man does not bark at the dog in turn.”

“He who pleases his father with his conduct is the real son.”

“The ‘greatness’ of humanity derives from its transcendent intellect, its pre-existential sagacity, and wisdom.”

“Satan’s sin is one of metaphysical blindness, the inability to recognize the spiritual foundation of humanity. The opacity of vision is the genesis of pride.”

“Faith is not a product of our will. It occurs without intention, without a will... It is neither an inference from logical premises nor the outcome of a feeling that leads us to believe in His existence... We do not believe because we have come to a conclusion, or because we have been overcome by emotion. It is a turning within the mind by a power from beyond the mind.”

“The antecedents of faith are the premise of the wonder and the premise of praise.”

“The worth of man lies in his consciousness of the Absolute... having lost sight of it by plunging himself into the world of phenomena viewed as such, man needs to be reminded of it by celestial Message.”

“All that we know we bear within ourselves, hence that is what we are; and that is why we can know it.”

“Imam Ali appears above all as the “Solar Hero”, he is the “Lion” of God; he personifies the combination of physical heroism on the field of battle with a sanctity wholly detached from the things of the world; he is the personification of wisdom... which the Bhagavad-gita teaches.”

“God trains us, through disillusionment and mistakes, to understand at last that we must believe only in Him.”

“Descartes separated philosophy from all higher wisdom, from everything in man which comes from above man.”

“Every being is representative of something that is more than itself.”

“As civilization advances, the sense of wonder almost necessarily declines.”

“If rationality is at work in nature, there is no way to account for it without reference to the activity of a supreme intelligence.”

“The ineffable is meaningful without being reasonable;

it neither bends to analysis nor conforms to our categories as if it were out of place in our brains.”

“There is so much more meaning in reality than my soul can take in.”

“The indication of what transcends all things is given to us with the same immediacy as the things themselves. Its presence is as much a fact as any other; it is indeed much more.”

“It is as if God has poured out a splendor to conceal His presence.”

“The beings of good and evil are ontologically different. They are made of different substances and only the former merit being called human. The latter are nothing but sub-humans, damned demonic beings that have nothing of humanity except their shape.”

“The ink of the scholar is more sacred than the blood of the martyr.”

“Everything that is exquisite hides itself.”

“Modesty forbids what the law does not.”

“Zeal without knowledge is a fire without light, a

runaway horse, a sister of folly.”

“It is the heart that makes man eloquent.”

“He that best understand the world least likes it.”

“Beauty is an important consideration in understanding creativity across the board.”

“It was Pythagoras and then Plato who much earlier had pondered the connection between beauty and truth.”

“At times of challenge and uncertainty, nothing seems more important than wisdom.”

“Synthetic and big picture thinking – that is, putting the pieces together – is a core dimension of creativity. If one can’t synthesize one can’t create.”

“Although wisdom is often associated with knowledge derived from the past – in particular, the accumulated knowledge of sages and philosophers – I have proposed that wise people use such accumulated knowledge to address issues and problems in the present and the future. Though grounded in the past, the arena of action for wisdom points toward the future.”

“Wisdom in its broadest sense synthesizes both logical and intuitive skills.”

“When we notice a ‘wise’ solution, conceptualization, or action, it is its synthetic and creative nature that makes it appear distinctly wise. Wise people pull together what is important, meaningful, and best within a given context.”

“Wisdom is elegant, captivating, inspiring, visionary, and revelatory.”

“Wisdom is the synthesis of the true, the beautiful, and the good, clearly the highest expression of human activity.”

“Wisdom is ethically informed creative acts of synthesis and problem-solving.”

“All cruel people describe themselves as paragons of frankness.”

“What pornography is really about, ultimately, isn’t sex but death.”

“The vulgar man is always the most distinguished, for the desire to be distinguished is vulgar.”

“No medicine can cure a vulgar man.”

“The cynic is one who never sees a good quality in a man, and never fails to see a bad one. The cynic is one who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.”

“Prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge for Satan.”

“Hell is truth seen too late.”

“Let your haste command your duty.”

“If idleness does not produce vice or malevolence, it commonly produces melancholy.”

“In idleness, there is perpetual despair.”

“Idleness is the refuge of weak minds.”

“One of the ill effects of cruelty is that it makes the by-standers cruel.”

“Perseverance is failing 19 times and succeeding the twentieth.”

“Adversity is the path of truth.”

“A saint is a person who lets the light shine through.”

“Prudence is the footprint of wisdom.”

“I read in Shakespeare of the majesty of the moral law, in Victor Hugo the sacredness of childhood, in Tennyson, the ugliness of hypocrisy, in George Elliot the supremacy of duty, in Dickens the divinity of kindness, in Hawthorne the hatefulness of sin.”

“The man who thinks, reads, studies, and meditates has intelligence cut in his features, stamped on his brows, gleaming in his eye, and sooner or later the face tells the status of the soul – a reflection of the divinity within man.”

“Manhood, not scholarship, is the first aim of education.”

“Trouble will rain on those who are already wet.”

“He who buys what he needs not sells what he needs.”

“Italy to be born in, France to live in, and Spain to die in.”

“For a marriage to be peaceful the husband should be deaf and the wife should be blind.”

“The creditor has always a better memory than the debtor.”

“Wickedness rarely at a loss of cleverness.”

“O, a wise man indeed is he, who was annoyed that his works pleased many.”

“We are usually the best men when we are in the worst health.”

“Over-greed will burst the bag.”

“The wisest are the most annoyed to lose time.”

“Death destroys a man, but the idea of death saves him.”

“Cunning is the ape of wisdom.”

“It is right to be contented with what we have, never with what we are.”

“Why does no man confess his vices? because he is yet

in them. It is for a waking man to tell his dream.”

“God the first garden made, and Cain the first city.”

“The best way to make children good is to make them happy.”

“The first duty to children is to make them happy. if you have not made them so, you have wronged them.”

“Burdens become light when cheerfully borne.”

“In moderating, not in satisfying desires, lies peace.”

“He that despairs measures Providence by his own little contracted model and limits infinite power to finite apprehensions.”

“Envy is blind.”

“Cesar has no authority over the grammarians.”

“God’s beloved is in want of nothing.”

“Virtue subdues power.”

“Poverty does not destroy virtue, nor wealth bestow it.”

“Some rise by sin and some by virtue fall.”

“Steadiness is the foundation of all virtue.”

“Virtue and vice, wisdom and folly, are not hereditary.”

“Virtue brings honor.”

“Virtue consists in action.”

“Virtue flourishes in misfortune.”

“Virtue is the most beautiful apparel.”

“Virtue rejoices in temptation.”

“Virtue shines grandest in

misfortune.”

“Wherever virtue is found in an eminent degree, it is sure to be persecuted.”

“To be virtuous is to do good and do it well.”

“Vulgarity in manners defiles fine garments more than mud.”

“A man warned is half saved.”

“The way to Babylon will never bring you to Jerusalem.”

“He that is down, “Down with him” cries the world.”

“When a man is going down-hill everybody gives him a kick; when a man is going uphill everybody gives him a lick.”

“When a man lays the foundation of his own ruin, others will build on it.”

“A great fortune in the hand of a fool is a great misfortune.”

“The wicked ears are deaf to wisdom’s call.”

“The wicked find it easier to unite for war, than for concord in peace.”

“The wicked heart never fears God but when it thunders.”

“The wickedness of the few is the calamity of all.”

“It is not good to be better than the worse.”

“It takes 66 days to establish a habit.”

“The miser is as much in want of that which he has, as of that which he has not.”

“It is just so much easier to accuse than to defend, as it is easier to inflict than to heal.”

“Live with yourself; get to know how poorly furnished you are.”

“The wise man does no wrong in changing his habits with the times.”

“The whole life is nothing but a journey to death.”

“The higher the status of fools, the more manifest is their baseness.”

“Foolish is the labor that is bestowed on foolish things.”

“Each one makes his own dire passion a god.”

“Children are children, and children occupy themselves with childish things.”

“Truthfulness is the master key. Do not tell a lie under any circumstances.”

“Education does not mean knowledge of letters or things. It means character building, it means knowledge of duty.”

“There will have to be rigid and iron discipline before we achieve anything great and enduring.”

“A student has no business to multiply the delicacies and luxuries. The student-life is meant for the cultivation of self-restraint in everything.”

“A leader must have a complete mastery of himself.”

“The father who does not impart education, the teacher who does not teach wisdom, the mother who does not attend to a sick child are enemies indeed.”

“No one who eats his fill walks the path of religion. It is said that if Pharoah had been hungry there is no way he would have laid claim to divinity.”

“The foundation of reverence for God is love for

humanity.”

“A human being worthy of God is a god among human beings.”

“The one who conforms his intellect to God as much as possible honors God best.”

“A faithful person fond of learning is a worker of truth.”

“If you wrong no one you will fear no one.”

“Not death but an evil life destroys a soul.”

“It is not possible to live in accord with God without acting moderately, and nobly, and justly.”

“Faith leads a soul from earth to God.”

“Divine wisdom is the knowledge of God.”

“Accustom your soul to rejoice in things in which it is noble to rejoice.”

“A soul rejoicing in petty things is dishonored before God.”

“A sage’s soul hears God.”

“A sage’s soul always sees God.”

“The heart of one dear to God is secure in God’s hand.”

“A soul’s ascent to God occurs through God’s word.”

“The house of a friend is the best house.”

“A right sometimes sleep, but never dies.”

“Even for the wise, the desire for glory is the last of all passions to be laid aside.”

“The most eloquent speaker, the most ingenious writer, and the most accomplished statesman cannot effect so much as the mere presence of the man who tempers his wisdom and his vigor with humanity.”

“God’s sweet dews and showers of grace slide off the mountains of pride, and fall on the low valleys of humble hearts and make them pleasant and fertile.”

“The lower the heart descends, the higher the prayer ascends.”

“He that sits nearest the dust, sits nearest heaven.”

“If you want to see the height of the hill of God’s eternal love, you must go down into the valley of humility.”

“The more a man humbleth himself before God, the wiser he is, and quiet in all his affairs.”

“He who does not think too much of himself is more esteemed than he imagines.”

“The Lord will teach the humble His secrets, He will not teach proud scholars.”

“Humble we must be if to heaven we go,
High is the roof there, but the gate is low.”

“Idleness is the dead sea that swallows up all virtues, and the self-made sepulcher of a living man.”

“Idleness is the key to beggary and the root of all evil. If the devil catches a man idle, he will set him to work, find him tools, and before long pay him wages.”

“Ignorance is the curse of God; knowledge, the wing wherewith we fly to heaven.”

“Illustrations, like windows, let light into the chambers of the mind. A mere bald statement is soon forgotten, but illustrations stick in the soul like the hook in a fish’s mouth.”

“The soul of all improvement is the improvement of the soul.”

“Ingratitude is a crime so shameful, that the man was never yet found who would acknowledge himself guilty of.”

“Drinking is a social festal vice. The drinker collects his circle, the circle naturally spreads; of those who are drawn within it, many become the corrupters and centers of sets and circles of their own; every one emulating the rest, till a whole neighborhood be infected from the contagion of a single example.”

“Intellect is a handmaiden of religion, and religion loveth to be adorned at its hands.”

“As to be perfectly just is one of the divine attributes, to be so to the utmost of our abilities is the glory of man.”

“Displays of moral beauty have been shown to elicit the moral emotion of elevation and cause a desire to

become a better person and to engage in prosocial behavior.”

“Studies suggest that encouraging students to engage with moral beauty might increase their desire to become better persons and to do good.”

“Moral elevation is elicited by witnessing acts of virtue, or ‘moral beauty’... Elevation produces pleasant sensations in the body, including a warm feeling in the chest.”

“Women score substantially higher than men on engagement with moral, natural, and artistic beauty.”

“What you teach is what you are. You don’t teach by telling people things.”

“You convey your ideas by the authenticity of your being. Not by glibly telling someone what to do or how to do it.”

“The ability to call your idea by various names, borrowed from various languages empowers you to conceive that idea in a way precise, clear, and unconfused.”

“Language is not the content of thought but the vessel that carries thought... The more spacious the vessel,

the more latitude we have to clarify our own thoughts, to reach farther horizons on the waves of the mind.”

“The knowledge of multiple languages liberates the mind and swells the power of the human spirit.”

“Do not study for the sake of having acquirements to display, for the sake of being admired, for the sake of attracting attention... study for pleasure... derived from the feeling of energy that arises in the mind from the keen exercise of its powers.”

“We live in an age in which ideas, important ideas, are worn like articles of fashion – to make the wearer look better and to feel a la mode.”

“We live in a world awash with information, but we seem to face a growing scarcity of wisdom... more and more information without the proper context and interpretation only muddles our understanding of the world rather than enhancing it.”

“A great storyteller dances up the ladder of understanding, from information to knowledge, to wisdom.”

“Information is having a library of books on shipbuilding. Knowledge applies books to build a ship. Wisdom is what allows you to sail it, without sinking,

to protect it from the storm... Moral wisdom helps you tell the difference between the right direction and the wrong direction in steering the ship.”

“A great storyteller is the kindly captain who sails her ship with tremendous wisdom and boundless courage; who points its nose in the direction of horizons and worlds chosen with unflinching idealism and integrity, who brings us closer to the answer, to that grand question ‘Why are we here.’”

“A nation is great not through dams in its rivers or its ships on the sea or the deposits in its banks. It is great by the moral fiber and character of its citizen. Nations die when these weaken.”

“War is the business of barbarians.”

“A person who is chosen does all things in accord with God but does not claim to be chosen.”

“Knowledge of God produces a person of few words.”

“Every noble work is at first impossible.”

“Stiff in opinion, always wrong.”

“A pessimist is one who feels bad when he feels good

for fear he'll feel worse when he feels better.”

“To study philosophy is nothing but to prepare one's self to die.”

“Philosophy is the knowledge of the limits of our knowledge.”

“Let us learn upon the earth, those things which prepare us for heaven.”

“Consider pleasures as they depart, not as they come.”

“Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even when there is no river.”

“He is poor whose expenses exceed his income.”

“Being poor is a frame of mind. Being broke is only a temporary situation.”

“They will sacrifice everything else to hold their power.”

“Justice without power is inefficient; power without justice is tyranny.”

“Praise undeserved is satire in disguise.”

“Religion exhilarates and delights the man of God.”

“When we speak of divine joy we do not speak of something we are after, but of something that will come after us when we are after God and duty.”

“There is no joy like the joy of God.”

“A soul full of divine joy is a mystery to

people.” “Look for joy in the Word not in the

world.” “The beauty of holiness is the beauty of

purity.” “Take time to be holy.”

“Man’s universal longing for heaven is proof of its existence.”

“If we do not fear God, we will never truly love Him.”

“Joy which comes through the victory of sin is a joy indeed.”

“What is life but a glad, present consciousness of God

and self and duty, and hearty obedience thereto.”

“From abundance comes disgust.”

“A handsome face is a silent recommendation.”

“To flee evil is a triumph.”

“To live an evil life is a type of death.”

“Even a fly gets angry.”

“When an angry man returns to himself, he is angry with himself.”

“You frighten a lion with a mask.”

“Good teaching is 1/4 preparation and 3/4 theatre.”

“What was the duty of the teacher if not to inspire.”

“A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops.”

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

“The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the pupil.”

“You must train the students to their studies in a playful manner and without any air of restraint.”

“To jealousy, nothing is more frightful than laughter.”

“Fools may our scorn, not envy, raise.

For envy is a kind of praise.”

“He who prays in faith enlists Almighty God, all the armies of heaven, and every law of the universe, in the interests of his cause.”

“To attain the greatest possible measure of spiritual power with God in prayer is the highest attainment possible in this life.”

“Prayer is a creature’s strength, his very breath, and being. Prayer is the golden key that can open the wicket of Mercy.”

“Prayer is the soul conversing with God... Prayer is indeed the crying of an infant in the night.”

“All the saints of God were fervent and mighty in

prayer.”

“Prayer has a subjective value necessary to individual piety, produces solemnity, enlightens and quickens the conscience, teaches dependence, gives true views of God, and produces such a change in us as renders it consistent for Him to change His course toward us.”

“Young men think old men fools, but old men know that young men are fools.”

“You shall never be younger.”

“Our first breath is the beginning of death.”

“A gift is valued by the mind of the giver.”

“Worldly pleasures endeth in pain.”

“He that swims in sin will sink in sorrow.”

“The greatest weight the palm-tree bears, the straighter it grows.”

“Once the ‘power’, ‘authority’, and ‘authenticity’ of the Source of revelation have been established, all subsequent commands from that Source, however laconic, are logically valid.”

“God’s commandments come with answers to the question ‘why?’”

“Commandments by definition do not require a designated audience, because they apply to all. “O People”... More complex are commands that apply only under certain conditions to subgroups such as travelers, debtors, pilgrims, etc...”

“Evolutionism is not science, it is science fiction, even a kind of hoax. It is a hoax that has succeeded too well and has imprisoned modern man in what looks like an irreconcilable conflict between “science” and “religion.” It has destroyed all faiths that pull mankind up and has substituted a faith that pulls mankind down.”

“Withdraw into yourself and look. And if you do not find yourself beautiful yet, act as does the creator of a statue that is to be made beautiful; he cuts away here, he smooths there, he makes this line lighter, this other purer, until a lovely face has grown upon his work. So do you also... never cease chiseling your statue.”

“Yoga, according to Pantajali, is the control of the ideas in the mind.”

“Self-knowledge teaches us whence we come, where we are, and whither we go. We come from God and are

in exile. And because the force of our love seeks after God, we are conscious of this exile.”

“To remember God dissolves dependency on the ego because the ego is said to be a concretization of ‘God-forgetfulness’ and the human brain the organ of that forgetfulness.”

“True religion occupies the heart more than the mind.”

“To be happy without holiness is impossible.”

“Virtue brightens in adversity.”

“Vice generates fear.”

“Useless studies are busy idleness.”

“Virtue is a celestial shield.”

“Vice is the deformity of man.”

“Violence is the argument of brutes.”

“Where vice rules, virtue is in disgrace.”

“Zeal, without knowledge, is like wild-fire.”

“Thieves are as liberal as honest men, but then it is with other people’s property.”

“Ingratitude to a benefactor naturally disposes him to discontinue his benefits.”

“Power unsubjected to the control of virtue, is a poor guardian of civil liberty.”

“Some are serious about trifles, and trifling about serious matters.”

“Fashion is led by the vain, and followed by the silly, but little regarded by the wise.”

“What are called misfortunes, have sometimes proved of more value than the greatest fortunes.”

“The voice of the majority is no proof of justice.”

“In matters of conscience, the law of the majority has no place.”

“It never troubles the wolf how many the sheep maybe.”

“The way of the world is to praise dead saints, and

persecute living ones.”

“Man is placed in this world, not as a finality but as a possibility.”

“Modesty is not only an ornament but also a guard to virtue.”

“Modesty is the color of virtue.”

“Modesty seldom resides in a breast that is not enriched with nobler virtue.”

“The difference between reprisal and retaliation: They both involve getting even, but reprisal is getting more than even. Retaliation may be a tooth for a tooth, but a reprisal adds a broken nose.”

“The difference between revolve and rotate: Our moon revolves (circles) around our planet, and Earth rotates (Turns on its axis) once in every twenty-four hours.”

“The difference between rob and steal: A person, bank, or store is robbed, but the money, clothing, or whatever is taken is stolen.”

“One can buy bedding, but not sleep.
One can buy books, but not wisdom.

One can buy a house, but not a happy family.”

“Service to the motherland and its people is service to the Lord.”

“One who has conquered passion becomes non-violent.”

“We cannot attain truth without purifying our speech.”

“Both are guilty who either talk ill of others or hear ill of others.”

“Study sacred texts.”

“In order to make good use of your time enjoy the beauty of nature. If that is not possible just enter a good book.”

“For a good student, the library itself is heaven.”

“One needs preparation to stay in the company of the good. This preparation requires the study of great works.”

“Science, Art, Literature, Mathematics – all these are necessary disciplines of study. But education without moral values is like a town without water.”

“Self-Reverence, Self-Knowledge, Self-Control: These three alone lead life to sovereign power.”

“Saw an act, reap a habit.

Saw a habit, reap a character.

Saw a character, reap a destiny.”

“Let every dawn of the morning be to you as the beginning of life.”

“In this materialistic age of ours, the serious workers are the only profoundly religious people.”

“Character is that which reveals moral purpose.”

“Earn knowledge, cultivate character.”

“The aim of education is not the knowledge of facts but the knowledge of value.”

“President Eisenhower, in his farewell address, warned the American people to keep a careful eye on what he called “military-industrial complex”; he asked the American people to guard against the “danger that public policy could itself become the captive of a scientific-technological elite.”

“Pray slowly and calmly.”

“Praying lead to doing.”

“Spiritual pride is a subtle snare.”

“When you repent in dust and ashes, God will run to meet you.”

“We need some John the Baptist wandering through the land crying, “repent, repent.”

“Real, true repentance reverses a man’s heart; it makes him quit meanness, and makes him determine to do right.”

“You can, of course, do as you please; but you have to settle the matter with your God.”

“Death to the opinions, the criticisms and scorns of the world, will bring sweeping revivals.”

“We must break the grip of this world, and get into the battle line for God.”

“Our God is a jealous God, He wants you all for Himself.”

“Prayer is preventive for backsliding.”

“When you pray believe in your case.”

“Secret prayer is the most important of the prayer life. it is prayer at its best.”

“Praying will make us cease from sinning, or sinning will make us cease to pray.”

“When we least feel like praying is the time when we need most to pray.”

“Learning to wait on God for the unfolding of His Will.”

“The lower we bow, the higher our prayers will rise.”

“True prayer consists not so much in words as in the sentiments of the heart.”

“There is only one unconquerable sin, and that is the sin you are not trying to conquer.”

“Though ten thousand times, after sinning, you have sworn, “That shall be the last,” swear it after the ten thousand and first.”

“Say to yourself, “I cannot fail, now. It is God, now, and no longer I.”

“Do not dream of defeat; dream of Him.

Do not look to yourself; look at Him.

Do not remember your past; remember Him.”

“Morality should become central to your own identity.”

“Stubbornness or obstinacy is a big obstacle to the discovery of truth.”

“A poor mind becomes an obstinate one: We do not believe very quickly in what we do not understand.”

“Sleep deprivation, anxiety, performance pressure, and selfishness lead to unethical behavior.”

“To humiliate is to lower or depress the dignity or self-respect of the person. It is an injury to the dignity of the victim. The victim is stripped and robbed of dignity.”

“Pornography’s ideological message is that a woman is being degraded and humiliated onscreen, she loves it and craves it.”

“Consensual humiliating pornography damage more

than nonconsensual because when women humiliate themselves willingly they are acting as if they place little value on their own personal dignity or are too stupid even to realize that they are being insulted and degraded.”

“Images of women accepting and even welcoming their own debasement and humiliation are profoundly destructive, not only for the particular women so depicted but for women generally.”

“When Corey Davis, a New York pimp was arrested in December 2006, a copy of (The Willie Lynch Letter) and other books included (The 48 Laws of Power) and (Whoever Said Whoring Wasn’t Easy) all these books were found in his possession.”

“Gold glitters most where virtue shines no more, as stars from absent suns, have leave to shine.”

“Ubiquitous reminders of terror threat levels in the news or other channels are likely to serve as constant reminders of the looming threat. When individuals focus on threats coming from specific groups known to harbor harmful intentions, individuals may feel anger and fear and may marginalize or harm other individuals who are even tangentially related to a threatening group.”

“One handful of money is stronger than two handfuls

of truth.”

“A golden key opens every lock.”

“He that serves God for money will serve the devil for better wages.”

“If you want to know what God thinks of money, look at the people he gives it to.”

“Money is honey, my little sonny,
And a rich man’s joke is always funny.”

“Money is the best bait with which to fish for man.”

“Money makes a man laugh.”

“Money will do more than my Lord’s letter.”

“Ready money is ready remedy.”

“The love of money and the love of learning seldom meet.”

“Money has wings.”

“Money makes dogs dance.”

“If you have money, take a seat; if not stand on your feet.”

“When gold speaks, every tongue keeps silent.”

“Gold has been the ruin of many.”

“Gold dust blinds all eyes.”

“Excess of wealth is the cause of covetousness.”

“Great wealth and content seldom live together.”

“If our wealth commands us, we are poor indeed.”

“Riches are gotten with pain, kept with fear, and lost with grief.”

“Being right and doing right is the secret of feeling right.”

“No man can dream character into himself. He must hammer and forge himself into a man.”

“One has often to pass through ordeals to rise to ideals.”

“Stop looking through a keyhole and come out and look at the sky.”

“Education is a slow thing.”

“Have a good book to read all the time.”

“Let it always be a joy to do anything for a child.”

“Astronomers tell us that some light is a thousand years in coming to the earth. We are now realizing an inheritance of the martyrdom, sacrifices, declarations, and pledges of our forefathers, which were given in the dim past of human history.”

“It is not the length of life that counts. It is its depth and purpose.”

“One sunset, one stormy night, and one moonlight hour, in their actuality, are more than all the books and poems of the heavens you have read.”

“There are two freedoms – the first, where a man is free to do what he likes; the other, where a man is free to do what he ought.”

“Many an empty bottle has a large label on it.”

“Books go well with gardens.”

“The man of all men I am most afraid of is myself.”

“The intellectual roots of New Imperialism came from the philosopher Friedrich Hayek, the political theorist Leo Strauss, and the economist Milton Friedman.”

“The core idea of Friedrich Hayek’s critique of socialism is that State action toward the moral improvement of society is bound to result in oppression and tyranny... Hayek argued that the State is intrinsically violent and coercive and that the best that can be done with it is to minimize its influence and legal power.”

“Leo Strauss added another dimension to Hayek’s perspective when he proposed that it was a fundamental error to view political ends and capacities of the modern nation-state in moral terms.”

“Neo-liberal economics represented a return to 19th-century laissez-faire economic dogma and the abandonment of the idea that the State is ever capable of doing good.”

“I would rather be right with the few than wrong with the many.”

“If you would be strong, conquer yourself.”

“Ingratitude is abhorred by God and man.”

“It is better to wear out than rust out.”

“It is cruelty to the innocent not to punish the guilty.”

“It is more honorable to acknowledge our faults than to boast of our merits.”

“It is not well to have all we want.”

“Justice should ever be tempered by mercy.”

“Justice without wisdom is impossible.”

“Justice wrongs no man.”

“Keep your mouth shut and your eyes open.”

“Let nothing affright you but sin.”

“Let us not live to see how much good we can get out of the world, but rather strive to see how much good we can put into it.”

“Live not for time but for eternity.”

“Make no truce with an error.”

“Many love to praise right and do wrong.”

“Meddle not with what you do not understand.”

“Never accuse others to excuse yourself.”

“Never be ashamed to say you were in the wrong.”

“Never neglect a duty.”

“Never open the door to a little vice lest a great one enters with it.”

“Not only have you an imperishable spirit, but you are made, not through the instrumentality of any creature, you are the immediate handiwork of God Himself... Pause for a moment and see what worth and dignity is yours from the fact that God made you Himself.”

“Every portion of creation is bound to contribute towards his creator’s glory... They do so by showing forth His power and splendor, by lifting up man’s thoughts, by ministering to man’s wants and faithfully

obeying the laws their creator imposed on them.”

“The environment may be important, but it does not make the saint. Two things are said to be necessary for that – absolute confidence in God, and absolute distrust of self. Not moral perfection, but knowledge of God and knowledge of self. In other words, love and trust on one side, humility, and selflessness on the other.”

“Grandiose narcissism is overt grandiosity and exhibitionism.”

“Vulnerable narcissism is the covert dimension of narcissism with a hyper sensibility to criticism and a tendency to withdraw from social interactions.”

“Social networking sites may reinforce or even create, narcissistic tendencies because they offer a convenient outlet to display vanity, self-promote, and accumulate large numbers of superficial friendships.”

“Narcissists hold an inflated view of themselves, believe they are special and unique and expect special treatment from others while believing they owe little or nothing in return. Narcissists lack empathy and have few if any, close relationships, yet they strongly desire social contact, as others serve as their primary source of admiration.”

“Because narcissists are unable to regulate their own self-esteem, they must rely on external sources of affirmation. Thus, narcissists engage in a variety of strategies aimed to maintain their inflated egos, such as exhibitionism and attention-seeking behavior, and dominance and competitiveness in social situations.”

“Online relationships should appeal to narcissists, who are typically unable or unwilling to form a deep or strong-tie connections that require emotional investments, such as face-to-face relationships or friendships.”

“Narcissists tend to be self-focused and self-important and to believe that they deserve special treatment from others yet need to give little or nothing in return. Thus, it is reasonable to expect that narcissists will spend little time checking on their friends and instead spend the majority of their social media time on self-focused activities such as status update, and posting pictures of themselves.”

“Happiness is what happens to us when we try to make someone else happy.”

“It is not how much we have, but how much we enjoy, that makes happiness.”

“There is no cosmetic for beauty like happiness.”

“Happiness is the practice of the virtues.”

“Many persons have a wrong idea of what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification but through fidelity to a worthy purpose.”

“The first recipe for happiness is: Avoid too lengthy meditations on the past.”

“Men can only be happy when they do not assume that the object of life is happiness.”

“The foolish man seeks happiness in the distance, the wise grows it under his feet.”

“You can’t buy happiness, you can’t buy health and you can’t buy inner peace.”

“No wise man wants a soft life.”

“A man studies because his brain is hungry for knowledge. But he prays because his soul is hungry for God.”

“Do not live one way in private, and another in public.”

“Idolatry is an attempt to use God for man’s purposes

rather than to give oneself to God's service."

"No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

"It belongs to human nature to hate those you have injured."

"Oh, study your hearts, watch your hearts, keep your hearts."

"The heart has eyes that the brain knows nothing of."

"God wants the heart."

"He who thinks most of the heaven will do most for the earth."

"My heaven is to please God and glorify Him, and to give all to Him, and to be wholly devoted to His glory; that is the heaven I long for."

"Heaven is a prepared place for prepared people."

"The 'pains of hell' are not the greatest part of hell."

The “loss of heaven” is the weightiest woe of hell.”

“See that your chief study is about your heart: 1- That there God’s image may be planted.

2- That there His interests be advanced.

3- That there the world and flesh are subdued. 4- That there the love of every sin is cast out. 5- That there the love of holiness grows.”

“It is narrated that Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him and his progeny) said: “My position is like that of one who sees the enemy and then runs to the people to warn them before they are taken by surprise, shouting as he runs: “Beware! Beware!””

“God is everywhere, immense, yet does not have parts. This means we can meet God completely in any place, and we can encounter God anywhere. We have only to seek God and hold ourselves ready for the encounter. We can meet God everywhere but not in just any way. The purity of the heart is the condition for the experience of God. “Blessed are the pure of heart for they shall see God.”

“Intemperance is vicious and temperance is virtuous.”

“The body has its own dignity and its own rights, but

the soul is manifestly superior. Yet the body is constantly endeavoring to assert itself and get the upper

hand. Hence the need to keep the body under our control.”

“Temperance is the control of the lower by the higher powers.”

“The self-control can neither be won nor maintained without severe and continuous effort.”

“Every time the unruly appetite is indulged it becomes stronger, and its next victory will be more easily won; but every time the will, directed by reason and conscience, gets the upper hand, it is itself strengthened.”

“He who does not make of himself two persons, a judge, and a master, cannot be saved.”

“Man fashions God as he desires, but He is always such as He is.”

“The greatest wisdom is to do good works, to guard oneself well, and to consider the judgments of God.”

“The word of God belongs not to him who hears or speaks it, but to him who does it.”

“Suffering changes an earthly man into a heavenly

man.”

“As the shadow is evident yet non-existent, so is evil.”

“Love from above is forgiveness; from below, devotion.”

“Translation is the reincarnation, and interpretation is the transmigration of the idea.”

“Do not fear to see your own weakness and poverty...rather welcome the truth, and believe that, next to the knowledge of God, nothing is so precious as the knowledge of self... these are the “deeps which call one to another”; God’s power and man’s weakness.”

“Idleness rusts the mind.”

“Idleness leads to vice.”

“Youth is the time to learn.”

“Hear instruction and be wise and refuse it not.”

“Praise to the face is an open disgrace.”

“Kind hearts are the gardens,

Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruits.”

“They say” is often proved a great liar.”

“We rise in glory as we sink in pride,
When boasting ends, dignity begins.”

“Vice unsubdued is progressive.”

“Only he whom forgetfulness is possible is to be reminded; and only he to whom inattention is possible is to be warned.”

“Disobedience that bequeaths humiliation and extreme need is better than obedience that bequeaths self-satisfaction and pride.”

“Cling to the attributes of His Lordship and realize the attributes of your servanthood.”

“God gave the man a heart that tended to love Him above all else, but sin has taught us self-love which draws us down to earthly things, which blind us to those which are heavenly.”

“An unrestrained flow of talk is a sure sign of trifling,

dissipated mind.”

“There is willful blindness, which refuses to confess that it cannot see... God will surely leave us to our own blind guidance.”

“Happiness is not found in ease, but in victory. The soul that has no struggle can never understand the meaning of rest We must labor if we would enjoy it.”

“A little child was asked, “where God was” with the offer of an orange. “Tell me,” replied the child, “where He is not, and I will give you two.”

“God never forsakes a man unless He is first forsaken by him.”

“As the apple of a man’s eye is the tenderest thing in all his body, and therefore most duly and carefully preserved from anything that may hurt it, likewise does God protect, defend, and care for those that are His.”

“The mercies of God draw more tears from His servants than His judgments do from His enemies.”

“Though the patience of God is lasting, yet it is not everlasting.”

“God willeth what He doeth; and if His will accord not with thine, wilt thou doubt which is wisest and best?”

“Gold, gold, gold, gold,
Bright yellow, hard, and cold,
Spurned by the young but hugged by the old,
To the very verge of the churchyard mold.”

“Ignorance is the mortar and building blocks of fascism.”

“A culture of self-absorption appears fully attuned with a growing aesthetics of vulgarity that thrives on a celebrity culture of ignorance.”

“Neoliberal societies produce massive levels of inequality in wealth, power, and income; they increasingly legitimate themselves through a culture of fear, state violence, and hyper-consumerism.”

“Secularism sees with ‘one eye’ only. It begins by ‘excluding God,’ and culminates by ‘denying Him.’”

“Secularism leads to materialism, i.e. the acceptance that there is no reality beyond material reality, and hence, that there are no other dimensions of time other than this world of time in which we exist.”

“Whoever breaks the barrier that imprisons us in the prison of the “here” and “now,” can experience timelessness.”

“Religious nationalism is narcissistic self-love that religions cannot condone.”

“Ultra-conservatism is part of an “ecumenism of hate.”

“Religious identity and national identity should never be intertwined.”

“The power of the “Eye of the Heart” which produces insight, is vastly superior to the power of thought, which produces opinions.”

“Ardent spirits are evil spirits.”

“Temperance is the best medicine.”

“Where is the drink there is danger.”

“Good wine makes a bad head and a long story.”

“He that eats till he is sick must fast till he is well.”

“Drink injures a man externally, internally, and

eternally.”

“There is no harm in a glass of whiskey if you let it remain in the glass.”

“We are but minutes, use us well; For how we’re used we soon must tell. Who uses minutes has hours to use: Who loses minutes has hours to lose.”

“Always tell the truth.”

“Truth gives a short answer.”

“Buy the truth and sell it
not.”

“It is the truth that makes a man angry.”

“Speak the truth, think the truth, act the truth.”

“Virtue never grows old.”

“Virtue alone is true nobility.”

“Noble examples excite us to noble deeds.”

“The expression is the dress of thought.”

“Faith honors God. God honors faith.”

“God never gives faith without trying

it.”

“I submit that Duty is a power which rises with us in the morning, and goes to rest with us in the evening. It is co-extensive with the action of our intelligence. It is the shadow that cleaves to us, go where we will, and which only leaves us when we leave the light of life.”

“Duty only frowns when you flee from it; follow it, and it smiles upon you.”

“The consciousness of duty performed gives music at midnight.”

“When thou knowest thy duty and hast a divine command for it, delay not, but set upon it.”

“Earth’s highest glory ends in,

Here he lies!

And “dust to dust” concludes her noblest song.”

“The greatest advantage that a man can procure for his children, is to have them well educated.”

“The more anyone speaks of himself, the less he likes to hear another talked of.”

“As a moth gnaws a garment, so does envy consume a man.”

“Discontent is the greatest weakness of a generous soul, for many times it is intent upon its unhappiness that it forgets its remedies.”

“Fear to do base unworthy things is valor. If they are done to us, to suffer them is valor too.”

“Characters never change. Opinions alter, characters are only developed.”

“Character, like porcelain ware, must be painted before it is glazed. There can be no change after it is burned in.”

“It is easy in the world to live after the world’s opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own. But the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of his character.”

“He who climbs above the cares of the world and turns his face to his God has found the sunny side of life. The world side of the hill is chill and freezing to a spiritual mind, but the Lord’s presence gives a warmth of joy which turns winter into summer.”

“Men of character are the conscience of the society to which they belong.”

“Life is a short day, but it is a working day. Activity may lead to evil, but inactivity cannot lead to good.”

“Prosperity is a great teacher, adversity is greater; possession pampers the mind, privation trains, and strengthens it.”

“It is not going into the furnace, but the coming out, which demonstrates the metal.”

“Afflictions are God’s most effectual means to keep us from losing our way to heavenly rest. Without this hedge of thorns on the right hand and on the left, we should hardly keep the way to heaven.”

“Virtuous men are like some herbs and spices, they give not out their sweet smell till they are broken or crushed.”

“No wise man ever wishes to be younger.”

“No pain, no palm; no thorn, no throne; no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown.”

“Anger begins with folly and ends with repentance.”

“Every aspiration to God is an inspiration from God and is sure to be answered by God.”

“Behavior is a mirror, in which everyone shows his image.”

“Speak well of the absent whenever you have a suitable opportunity.”

“Be great in act as you have been in thought.”

“Advise well before you begin; when you have maturely considered, then act with promptitude.”

“I am in love with old-fashioned religion.”

“Worship is a state of the soul in which it gazes with awe, with adoration, with rapture upon the Deity.”

“The soul was made for God and Him only.”

“God gives bountifully, – bountiful rains, bountiful sunshine, bountiful harvests, a bountiful sea are the gifts of His hand.”

“Expect God to do something real for you every day.”

“A saved soul needs not to grieve over the past.”

“I think of no greater inspiration to life than this, that we may please God.”

“God is ready to break every chain the sinner will abandon.”

“Remember we are dealing with the Almighty God.”

“God gave the man a heart that tended to love Him above all else, but sin has taught us self-love which draws us down to earthly things, which blind us to those which are heavenly.”

“A holy man of old summed up the interior life in three words: Flight, Silence, Rest. Flight from all that would lead the soul from God; Silence, internal and external, that it may hear His voice; Rest of the heart and mind in Him.”

“Man must not only fly from sin and every occasion of sin, but he must shun all those things which drag him from his higher aims... All those trifles which distract the soul, and fix it upon earthly things.”

“An unrestrained flow of talk is a sure sign of trifling, dissipated mind.”

“Unless a man has been shocked to his depths at himself and the things he is capable of, as well as the failings of humanity as a whole, he cannot understand the full import of Advent.”

“Islamophobia comes from five possible sources:

- 1- Media representation
- 2- Political rhetoric
- 3- Violent extremists
- 4- American foreign policy
- 5- US Islamophobia network”

“There is one factor that principally accounts for Islamophobia in the USA: Corporate greed. The continent power elite sees the Islamic movement as the new threat because it threatens the vested interests of Western capitalists.”

“One of the root causes of anti-Muslim bigotry among non-Muslim people is ignorance, not malice.”

“Reverend R. Maxwell King wrote about Islam: “I have read in Moslem writings such deep and tender expressions of respect and reverence for Jesus that for the time I almost forgot, I was not reading the words of a Christian writer.”

“Do not trust in your own spiritual perceptions, or your mental powers – “The things of God are perceived by the Spirit of God.” He delights to enlighten the simple-hearted, who realize their won ignorance and see no good in themselves but refer all to God.”

“We are all born in the blindness of the original sin, knowing neither God nor ourselves, wholly ignorant as to the things which concern us most, our true happiness, and the way by which to attain it. We are blind and we know it not.”

“There is willful blindness, which refuses to confess that it cannot see... God will surely leave us to our own blind guidance.”

“Do not fear to see your own weakness and poverty... Rather welcome the truth, and believe that, next to the knowledge of God, nothing is so precious as the knowledge of self... These are the “deeps which call one to another.” God’s power and man’s weakness. “Lord, teach me to know Thee, and to know myself.”

“Not by fitful efforts, but by constancy, is an end secure.”

“If you have a clear thought, be decided, and hesitate not – if you decide, hesitate not, but carry it out speedily.”

“Too much familiarity is a cause of coolness among friends.”

“The best of men is a rich man who visits the poor, and the worst is a poor man who visits the rich.”

“The passion of love vanishes soon after marriage.”

“Chastity united to beauty makes a wife perfect.”

“Take a wife not for her beauty, but for her virtues.”

“He is unthankful to God who is unthankful to man.”

“He who is unthankful for little is unthankful for much.”

“A man is truly religious when he is truly good.”

“We must remember God more often than we draw breath.”

“A soul without prayer is a soul without a home.”

“Your greatest lack is that you do not know how to pray.”

“The main lesson about prayer is just this: Do it! Do it! Do it!”

“He who has learned to pray has learned the greatest secret of a holy and happy life.”

“Prayer is my chief work, by it, I carry on all else.”

“If we only spent more of our time looking at Him we should soon forget ourselves.”

“Oh, that I may be a man of prayer!”

“Talk less with men, talk more with

God.”

“Neglect of prayer is one great cause of backsliding.”

“We must addict ourselves to prayer.”

“Oh! it is a glorious fact, that prayers are noticed in heaven.”

“I know of no better thermometer to your spiritual temperature than this, the measure of the intensity of your prayer.”

“O prayer! Prayer! It brings and keeps God and man

together. It raises man up to God and brings God down to man. If you would keep your walk-up with God, pray, pray without ceasing.”

“Know then thyself, presume not God to scan, the proper study of mankind is man.”

“Honor and shame from no condition rise, act well your part, there all the honor lies.”

“The study of God’s word, for the purpose of discovering God’s will, is the secret discipline which has formed the greatest characters.”

“Manhood, not scholarship, is the first aim of education.”

“If you want to be miserable think of yourself, about what you want, what you like, what respect people ought to pay you, and what people think of you.”

“I speak as a man of the world to men of the world, and I say to you, search the Scriptures.”

“Read the best books first, or you may not have a chance to read them at all.”

“Faith is not in conflict with reason, nor is it a

substitute for reason. Faith chooses the grade of significance or level of Being at which the search for knowledge and understanding is to aim.”

“Crede ut intelligas = believe that you may understand.”

“The modern world tends to be skeptical about everything that makes demands on man’s higher faculties.”

“Nothing is politically right which is morally wrong.”

“A fool is his own informer.”

“Nothing so good as a university education, nor worse than a university without education.”

“Indulge in procrastination, and in time you will come to this, that because a thing ought to be done, therefore you can’t do it.”

“Fear nothing so much as sin, and your moral heroism is complete.”

“The abundance of knowledge does not teach men to be wise.”

“Have I not reason to lament
What man has made of man?”

“Make me a captive, Lord,
And then I shall be free.”

“Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also;
The body they may kill;
His kingdom is forever.”

“Though this world, with devils filled, should threaten
to undo us. We will not fear, for God has willed His
truth to triumph through us.”

“This is my Lord’s world,
O let me never forget
That, though the wrong seems oft strong
God is the Ruler yet.”

“Whenever you see corruption by thy side and do not
strive against it, you betray thy duty.”

“Only the discharge of the duties of the heart can really
console the heart.”

“Whatever thing we ask God’s forgiveness for, that

thing springs from you; Whatever thing we praise God for, that thing springs from God.”

“Religion at its highest affirms the duty of self-reverence.”

“Learn to stand in awe of thyself.”

“When a fight begins within himself, a man is worth something.”

“The key characteristic of slavery is not about ownership but how people are controlled. The core characteristic of slavery throughout history, whether it was legal or not, is violence. Violence brings a person to slavery. Many people who became slaves are tricked into it. Many people, following a trail of lies, walk into enslavement, but what keeps them there is violence.”

“Slavery is a social and economic relationship in which a person is controlled through violence or its threat, paid nothing, and economically exploited.”

“Slaves of the past were worth stealing and worth chasing down if they escaped. Today slaves are so cheap that they are not worth securing permanent ownership... slaves became disposable.”

“The question today is not “Are they the right color to

be slaves?” but “Are they vulnerable enough to be enslaved?”. Slavery is now color blind.”

“People are more likely to dehumanize an out-group that had suffered historical harm when their in-group was assigned responsibility for it.”

“When self-focus is disrupted, then egocentrism may promote dehumanization.”

“Perceived threat moderates the effect of dehumanization on the endorsement of aggression.”

“Dehumanizing perceptions of individuals or groups may reduce prosocial behavior toward them and increase antisocial behavior toward them.”

“The consequence of dehumanizing perceptions is to confer diminished moral standing on people.”

“We can overcome dehumanization by intergroup contact and by emphasizing a common identity and shared fate and de-emphasizing boundaries.”

“Dehumanization is so common and yet so dire in consequences. It is the most striking violation of our belief in common humanity.”

“Dehumanization can be blatant or subtle; driven by hate, lust, or indifference; collectively organized or intensely personal.”

“The dehumanizing perception consists of a denial of victim, identity, and community. It also morally excludes people and places them outside the boundary in which moral values, rules, and considerations of fairness apply.”

“Dehumanization makes the other seem less morally worthy and makes the self-less subject to the self-condemnation.”

“Infrahumanization” is subtle dehumanization.”

“Infrahumanization recognized that humanness can be denied to others in subtle and commonplace ways, rather than being confined to blatant denials in killing fields and torture chambers.”

“When individuals are denied human nature, they are seen as lacking warmth, emotion, and individuality.”

“More narcissistic individuals were especially likely to see others as less human than themselves.”

“Tendencies to dehumanize others may be stronger among people who are callous and self-seeking.”

“Disgust-inducing groups are most likely to be dehumanized.”

“The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother.”

“All happy families are like one another, each unhappy family is unhappy in its own way.”

“By the time a son realizes his father is usually right, he has a son who thinks his father is usually wrong.”

“One father is more than a hundred schoolmasters.”

“When looking at faults, use a mirror, not a telescope.”

“He that leaves off prayer leaves off the Fear of God.”

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

“The first and worst of all frauds is to cheat oneself.”

“There are two freedoms: the false where a man is free to do what he likes; and the true where a man is free to do what he ought.”

“Be aware that young people have to be able to make their own mistakes and that times change.”

“It is the great triumph of genius to make the common appear novel.”

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

“Nature forms us, sin deforms us, school informs us, prophet transforms us.”

“When we are unable to find tranquility within ourselves, it is useless to seek it elsewhere.”

“Tolerance is sometimes another name for indifference.”

“Tolerance is sometimes the virtue of the man without convictions.”

“There is a limit at which forbearance ceases to be a virtue.”

“Time is given to us to use in view of eternity.”

“We are to be children in heart, not in understanding.”

“As soon as man does not take his existence for granted, but beholds it as something unfathomably mysterious, thought begins.”

“What luck for bad rulers, that men do not think.”

“Rationality is opposed to absurdity, not to the mystery.”

“God examines with trials, the devil examines with temptations, the world examines with persecution.”

“When the storms of life strike, it’s what happens in you will determine what happens to you.”

“There are times when God asks nothing of His servants except silence, patience, and tears.”

“True virtue never appears so lovely, as when it is most oppressed; and the divine excellence is never exhibited with such advantage, as when under the greater trials.”

“One sees great things from the valley; only small things from the peak.”

“Great faith must have a great trial.”

“Trials: There can be no rainbow without a cloud and a storm.”

“Fire transforms all things it touches into its own nature. The wood does not change the fire into itself, but the fire changes the wood into itself. in the same way, we are transformed into God.”

“Alcohol disables reason and sense, but lying kills the reason. It makes one so insensate that he becomes ready to commit any kind of Satanic act.”

“Lying destroys faith.”

“The disease of lying is the most dreadful of psychological diseases.”

“Certainly Iblis the accursed devil applies antimony, wears a ring, and uses snuff. His antimony is laziness and dozing, the ring is lying, and his snuff is pride and arrogance.”

“Every kind of falsehood is recorded in the “scroll of the deed” even the smallest of the small lies is written.”

“Do all the good you can,
By all the means you
can, In all the ways you

can,

In all the places you can,
At all the times you can,
To all the people you can,
As long as ever you can.”

“A man never stands as tall as when he kneels to help a child.”

“It is almost a sin to do less than your best.”

“In thought, faith;

In word, wisdom;

In deed, courage:

In life, service.”

“A usurer, a miller, a banker, and a publican are the four evangelists of Lucifer.”

“The head grows by taking in, but the heart grows by giving out.”

“God doesn’t call the equipped, He equips the called.”

“God doesn’t ask about your ability, only your availability; and, if you prove your dependability, the Lord will increase your capability.”

“The longest journey is the journey within.”

“The ingenuity of self-deception is inexhaustible.”

“Self-control is the mother of spiritual health.”

“The ‘I’, the self, and the like must all be done away.”

“Whenever I climb I am followed by a dog called Ego.”

“I” is hateful.”

“Secularization occurs when religion based on “belief in God or a future state” becomes private, optional, and problematic.”

“We pursue God because, and only because, He has first put an urge within us that spurs us to the pursuit.”

“He is a freeman whom the truth makes free, and all are slaves beside.”

“Man’s destiny in those troubled times depends in large measure on his acceptance of a spiritual purpose in life.”

“Do not neglect the spiritual purpose.”

“To be human means to be able to see the worst, hear the worst, experience the worst, and yet to follow the best.”

“Economic and political plans alone without the character’s motive, will not save the world from disaster.”

“Let us not forget that there are windings in the road and that the windings can lead backward as well as forward.”

“Evil emotions injure the man or woman who harbors them.”

“For an individual not to strive for justice means spiritual bankruptcy. For a nation not to strive is a moral catastrophe of the first magnitude.”

“Social media companies exploit the vulnerability in human psychology.”

“The use of “persuasive technology” or called “Persuasive design or behavior design” to foster children’s overuse of screens, results in mental struggles and poor academic performance.”

“It is a poor oversight to leave God out of our calculations.”

“A man is not doing much until the cause he works for possesses all there is of him.”

“Providence will favor the man who taxes himself to the uttermost.”

“To prefer death to dishonor is a finer thing than life itself. The man who can stand to his convictions is great at any age.”

“It is a pity to be only sensible about ordinary affairs and next-door to insanity about higher concerns.”

“No other loss counts up so heavily as that of time lost upon nothingness.”

“No man or woman is safe without lofty ideals.”

“People do observe us and make up their minds about us from the little things we do and say.”

“Inaction is thought by many persons to be carefulness where it is simply procrastination.”

“There is no greater deception than self-deception.”

“The regret of a lost opportunity lasts very long.”

“When any of us pass beyond the bounds of moderation in the conduct of our affairs, somebody will be hurt.”

“To every man there comes a day when he must separate himself from others and act alone.”

“Only dead fish float with the tide.”

“Nothing tells so quickly what we are ourselves as what we say of others.”

“Thinking, trying, toiling, and trusting in God, is all my biography.”

“The aim, if reached or not, makes great the life. Try to be Shakespeare, leave the rest to fate.”

“Failure to plan is knowingly planning to fail.”

“Wine is a mocker and beer a brawler.”

“The agnostic’s prayer: “O God, if there is a God, save my soul, if I have a soul.”

“We are stripped bare by the curse of plenty.”

“Afflictions add to the saint’s glory. The more the diamond is cut, the more it sparkles.”

“Most of the grand truths of God have to be learned by trouble; they must be burned into us with the hot iron of affliction, otherwise, we shall not truly receive them.”

“The hammer shatters glass but forges steel.”

“The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials.”

“God’s wounds cure, sin’s kisses kill.”

“No faith is so precious as that which lives and triumphs in adversity.”

“Adversity is like the period of the rain...cold, comfortless, unfriendly to man and to animal; yet from that season have their birth the flower, the fruit, the date, the rose, and the pomegranate.”

“After winter comes summer. After night comes dawn. And after every storm, there come clear, open skies.”

“There is no minor sin when His justice confronts you, and there is no major sin when His grace confronts you.”

“When you have made progress in wisdom, you will find no situation troublesome to you; every condition will be happy.”

“They always talk who never think.”

“The tree laden with fruit always bends low.”

“It is excellent to have a giant’s strength, but it is tyrannous to use it like a giant.”

“Attention to small things is of virtue.”

“The spider’s web lets the rat escape and catches the fly.”

“True glory consists in doing what deserves to be written; in writing what deserves to be read.”

“Their kitchen is their shrine, the cook their priest, the table their altar, and their belly their god.”

“The prophet was able to speak to his people with

authority because he listened to God.”

“The more we know, the better we forgive.”

“Genius is 1% inspiration and 99% perspiration.”

“Genius is the gold in the mine; talent is the miner who works and brings it out.”

“Genius is a superior power of seeing.”

“No man is free who is not master of himself.”

“Suffering changes an earthly man into a heavenly man.”

“Bodies die, virtues remain.”

“Little minds deal in deceit.”

“Deceit is the weapon of the weak.”

“Deception deals with

generalities.”

“Most of the Psalms were born in the wilderness,
Most of the Epistles were written in prison.

The greatest poets “learned in suffering what they taught in song.”

“Critics are divided into bees and spiders: Where the bee finds honey, the spider gathers venom.”

“There is no cure for the follies of youth but age.”

“Cunning sets a trap for others, and puts his own foot in it.”

“All men are slaves, yea,
some are slaves to wine,
and some to women, some to glimmering gold, but all
to habit and to customs old.”

“Take danger by the horns.”

“Fear danger afar off, when it approaches, face it.”

“Fear doubles the danger.”

“Good deeds are good seeds.”

“The goal of a virtuous life is to become like God.”

“If a man hasn’t discovered something he will die for,

he isn't fit to live.”

“Aim at heaven and you will get earth thrown in. Aim at earth and you will get neither.”

“God is great, and therefore He will be sought.
God is good, and therefore He will be found.”

“God is higher than my highest and more inward than my innermost.”

“A God all mercy is a God unjust.”

“No high goals, no glory.”

“To see God is the promised goal of all our actions and the promised height of all our joys.”

“Don't forget the golden rule. He who has the gold makes the rules.”

“Let it be your business to keep your mind in the presence of God.”

“We must break the evil habit of ignoring the spiritual. We must shift our interest from the seen to the unseen.”

“There is nothing that pleases the Lord so much as praise.”

“Man’s chief work is the praise of God.”

“Speaking ill of others is a cheap, dishonest way to praise ourselves.”

“The time to get your spiritual instrument in tune is early in the morning before the concert of the day begins.”

“Truth is often eclipsed but never extinguished.”

“The truth is a reality we can hardly bear.”

“Truth fears nothing but concealment.”

“Truth demands confrontation; loving confrontation, but confrontation nevertheless.”

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

“A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on.”

“Trials are the winds that root the tree of our faith.”

“The trials of the saint are a “divine pruning”, by which he grows and brings forth abundant fruit.”

“The hotter the fire, the purer the gold.”

“Obedience is the child of trust.”

“Those who would find the truth must: desire it, pray for it, study it, and practice it.”

“Truth is truth whenever it is found; on Christian or on heathen ground.”

“A truth that’s told with bad intent
Beats all the lies you can invent.”

“The opposite of a correct statement is a false statement. But the opposite of a profound truth may well be another profound truth.”

“Truth does not change because it is or is not believed by a majority of the people.”

“The truth is incontrovertible. Malice may attack it.

Ignorance may deride it. But in the end, there it is.”

“The truth will make you free, but first it will make you miserable.”

“Not to oppose error, is to approve of it, and not to defend truth is to suppress it.”

“God offers to every mind its choice between truth and repose. Take which you please, you can never have both.”

“The world doesn’t need a definition of religion as much as it needs a demonstration.”

“The smallest light still shines in the darkest night.”

“Wisdom is often found under a shabby cloak.”

“Abundance of knowledge does not teach a man to be wise.”

“Man is wise when he recognizes no greater enemy than himself.”

“A wise man makes his own decisions, an ignorant man follows public opinion.”

“Only the discharge of the duties of the heart can really console the heart.”

“Fear nothing so much as sin, and your moral heroism is complete.”

“God has bound Himself by His Covenant to behave consistently in a certain way.”

“Among the rewards that humans are to receive in return for keeping the Covenant are blessings, prosperity, power, and Paradise.”

“How strangely easy difficult things are.”

“There is not a moment without some duty.”

“The reverence of God is water that springs from the knowledge of God.”

“Revere God, and go wherever your heart desires and be with whomever your heart desires.”

“Everything other than God is wrong.”

“God speaks the truth. He fulfills His promise and His warning.”

“God is the author of the Qur’an. The words in it are His words.”

“Sleep is rest to the body
Speech, rest to the soul
Silence, rest to the mind.”

“Women have much keener insight into the character than men.”

“Faith sees the invisible, believes the unbelievable, and receives the impossible.”

“Modesty is the citadel of beauty and virtue.”

“Modesty in human beings is praised because it is not a matter of nature, but of will.”

“Money often costs too much.”

“There is never any peace for those who resist God.”

“Peace is not an absence of war, it is a virtue, a state of mind, a disposition for benevolence, confidence, justice.”

“The farther a man knows himself to be from

perfection, the nearer he is to it.”

“Piety is religion with its face toward God; morality is religion with its face toward the world.”

“Poverty is no virtue; wealth is no sin.”

“Propriety of conduct leads to eminence; therefore it should be preserved more carefully than life.”

“Propriety of conduct is the seed of virtue.”

“Purity of body is achieved by water; purity of mind from truthfulness.”

“He who oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is kind to the needy honors Him.” (Proverbs 16:31)

“When a man is wrapped up in himself, he makes a pretty small package.”

“The wicked are always surprised to find ability in the good.”

“Look ahead or you will fall behind.”

“Hatred is self-punishment.”

“Self-respect, that corner-stone of all virtues.”

“The post-moderns created the post-truth future.”

“The soul never grows old.”

“God brings us into deep waters not to drown us but to cleanse us.”

“There is no education like adversity.”

“Bigotry is blind in one eye and near-sighted in the other.”

“He who subdues men is only strong; he who subdues himself is mighty.”

“Give neither advice nor salt till you are asked for it.”

“Bad news travels fast.”

“A bully is always a coward.”

“Fun is the happiness of those who cannot think.”

“Adversity makes men; prosperity, monsters.”

“Tech was made for man, not man for tech.”

“Television and “screens” have proved that people will look at anything rather than at each other.”

“Let us learn more about the power of temptation in order to avoid it.”

“God is not against us because of our sins. He is with us against our sins.”

“The misery of man is derived from his idolatry, from his partly conscious and partly, unconscious effort to make himself, his race, and his culture god.”

“Virtue joins man to God.”

“Virtue and happiness are mother and daughter.”

“Virtue is the beauty of the mind.”

“Virtue is the only true nobility.”

“Vice makes virtue shine.”

“Habits are at first cobwebs, at last cables.”

“If God does not give us what we want He gives us what we need.”

“God moves in mysterious ways.”

“Man does what he can and God what He will.”

“To see what is right and not to do it is want of courage.”

“Crimes generally punish themselves.”

“Fear follows crime, and it is its punishment.”

“There are crimes that become innocent and even glorious through their splendor, number, and excess.”

“Cruelty is the highest pleasure to the cruel man, it is his love.”

“Cruelty, like every other vice, requires no motive outside of itself; it only requires opportunity.”

“Cunning is the dwarf of wisdom.”

“Cunning pays no regard to virtues, and is but the low mimic of reason.”

“Cunning is the art of concealing our own defects and discovering other people’s weaknesses.”

“Knowledge without justice ought to be called cunning rather than wisdom.”

“Cunning cheats itself wholly, and other people partially.”

“Fear is a perceived (external) threat, anxiety is conceived (internal) threat.”

“Rashness or recklessness is disregard for or indifference to the dangers of a situation or for the consequences of one’s actions.”

“A man of virtue is an honor to his country, a glory to humanity, a satisfaction to himself, and a benefactor to the whole world. He is rich without oppression or dishonesty; charitable, without ostentation; courteous without deceit, and brave without vice.”

“Sell not virtue to purchase wealth.”

“Virtue dwells not in the tongue, but in the heart.”

“A wise man changes his mind; a fool never does.”

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.”

“True wisdom is to know what is best worth knowing and to do what is worth doing.”

“Learn to labor and to wait.”

“A man of evil intentions easily believes the worst.”

“A small leak will sink a great ship.”

“Command your temper lest it commands you.”

“Wealth often leads to folly.”

“Riches have wings.”

“Money is a good servant, but a bad master.”

“He who has gold has fear, who has none has sorrow.”

“It is a noble ambition to undertake large things for God.”

“God can make a way where there is no way.”

“I believe nothing pays better to advertise than God and His works.”

“Man is not himself unless he is religious.”

“God’s people are like stars that shine brightest in the darkest night.”

“Get money, fame, wisdom, a sip of every pleasure that life has to offer, and leave God, and you will still have a hungry soul within you that cries aloud for peace and rest.”

“Whenever the sounds of the world die out in the soul or sink low, then we hear the voice of God.”

“God seeks His earthly home in human hearts.”

“A man that has an appetite or relish for God, loves to hear about Him.”

“Never doubt either God’s presence, God’s Word, God’s pity, or God’s power.”

“This world is God’s world by right, ours only by gift.”

“Have more than you show; speak less than you know.”

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

“Speak no evil and cause no ache; utter no jest that can pain awake; guard your actions and bridle your tongue; words are adders when hearts are stung.”

“Profanity poisons the mind.”

“Defile not your mouth with impure words.”

“Not failure, but low aim is a crime.”

“Opportunity makes the thief.”

“Order is heaven’s first law.”

“Patience surpasses learning.”

“Prosperity makes friends and adversity tries them.”

“Quit all evil habits.”

“Reason should direct, appetite obey.”

“Rejoice not in another’s sorrow.”

“Right wrongs no man.”

“If a man is sincere, he will seek earnestly for the truth.”

“Truth crushed to earth will rise again, the eternal years of God are hers; But error, wounded, writhes in pain and dies among his worshippers.”

“I would rather be right with the few than wrong with the many.”

“If you would be strong, conquer yourself.”

“Ingratitude is abhorred by God and man.”

“It is cruelty to the innocent not to punish the guilty.

“It is well to think well, it is divine to act well.”

“Justice without wisdom is impossible.”

“Justice wrongs no man.”

“Let nothing affright you but sin.”

“Live not for time but for eternity.”

“Never accuse others to excuse yourself.”

“Never neglect a duty.”

“10% own 82% of global wealth.”

“114,000 students in New York City are homeless.”

“The enemies of God have been active, restless, dynamic; we, His friends, have been complacent... It is time for high heroism and deep devotion.”

“There are four gods, dwelling comfortably in the system of consumerist materialism: money, power, privilege, and pleasure.”

“Among the chief causes of the miseries of nations is the divorce which has taken place between politics and morality.”

“The human soul is greater, more sacred than the state, and must never be sacrificed to it.”

“Not only have you an imperishable spirit, but you are made, not through the instrumentality of any creature, you are the immediate handiwork of God Himself... Pause for a moment and see what worth and dignity is yours from the fact that God made you Himself.”

“Proverbs are the wheat which remains after a whole world of talk and writing has sifted through innumerable minds.”

“A life of study is not far removed from a life of piety.”

“Thy money, thy office, thy reputation are nothing; put away these phantom clothing, and stand like an athlete stripped for battle.”

“A hungry man is an angry man.”

“He who slowly gets angry keeps his anger longer.”

“It is not the beard that makes the philosopher.”

“Poison is poison though it comes in a golden cup.”

“The bait hides the hook.”

“Ignorance and incuriosity are two soft pillows.”

“The devil never assails a man except he finds him either void of knowledge, or void of the fear of God.”

“Fear has magnifying eyes.”

“The world is a net, the more we stir in it, the more we are entangled.”

“In my end is my beginning.”

“In too much dispute truth is lost.”

“Break the leg of evil custom.”

“Habit in sinning takes away the sense of sin.”

“Habit is ten times nature.”

“No happiness without holiness.”

“The man who would be truly happy should not study to enlarge his estate but to contract his desires.”

“There is no happiness without virtue.”

“Hatred renewed is worse than at first.”

“Be one of sweet patience in times of bitterness.”

“Evildoers never think well of anyone because they see others in their own nature.”

“No fallacy can hide wrong, no subterfuge cover it so shrewdly but that the All-Seeing One will discover and punish it.”

“A noble part of every true life is to learn to undo what has been wrongly done.”

“Evil spreads as necessarily as disease.”

“There is no little enemy.”

“An error doesn’t become a mistake until you refuse to correct it.”

“Example is the school of mankind; they will learn at no other.”

“How glorious it is, and how painful, to be an exception.”

“Experience is a good school, but the fees are high.”

“Waste of time is the most extravagant and costly of all expenses.”

“Even the merest gesture is holy if it is filled with faith.”

“Knowing is not enough, we must apply; willing is not enough, we must do.”

“Duty performed gives clearness and firmness to faith, and faith thus strengthened through duty becomes the more assured and satisfying to the soul.”

“Man is not born to solve the problem of the universe, but to find out what he has to do.”

“Every duty which we omit obscures some truth which we should have known.”

“There are two educations: One should teach us how to make a living and the other how to live.”

“There is no school equal to a decent home and no teachers equal to honest virtuous parents.”

“Eloquence is a vehemence simplicity.”

“Eloquence is logic on fire.”

“Deliberate slowly, execute promptly.”

“Diseases are the penalties of ill pleasures.”

“Enough is better than a feast.”

“Every beginning is difficult.”

“Gambling is an express train to ruin.”

“Gratitude must be expressed in acts as well as in words.”

“Great works are performed, not by strength but by perseverance.”

“He is not a man who can not say no.”

“He is rich who desires nothing more.”

“He that helps the wicked hurt the good.”

“He who aims to do right has God on his side.”

“He who knows nothing is confident of everything.”

“He who avoids the temptation avoids the sin.”

“He who wronged you will hate you.”

“High position is not always proof of greatness; a monkey on the housetop is a monkey still.”

“Hold faithfulness and honesty as first principles.”

“I don’t care” is a deadly snare.”

“I fear that man who fears God the least.”

“Youth is the time to learn.”

“A man has learned much when he has learned how to die.”

“If you would have your learning stay, be patient, don’t learn too fast.”

“Praise to the face is open disgrace.”

“Flattery injures those whom it pleases.”

“Happiness lies first of all in health.”

“True happiness, if rightly understood, consists alone in doing good.”

“An evil gain is equal to a loss.”

“Kind hearts are the gardens, Kind thoughts are the roots,
Kind words are the blossoms,
Kind deeds are the fruits.”

“Great talkers are commonly liars.”

“They say” is often proved a great liar.”

“A lie is a lie, whether it is a lie to the eye or a lie to the ear.”

“Oh, what a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive.”

“Obedience is the mother of happiness and the first duty of a child.”

“He who has learned to obey will know how to command.”

“Children have more need of models than of critics.”

“Pride is a flower that grows in the devil’s garden.”

“Cowards are cruel.”

“Cowards never use their might except against such as will not fight.”

“Cowardice leads to ingratitude and ungrateful sentiments to wicked actions.”

“A crime in which many are implicated goes unpunished.”

“One crime has to be concealed by another.”

“Crows bewail the dead sheep and then eat them.”

“A man of cruelty is God’s enemy.”

“Success in war, like charity in religion, covers a multitude of sins.”

“I abominate war. I hold it to be the greatest of human crimes, and to involve all others- violence, blood, rapine, fraud-everything that can deform the character,

alter the nature and debase the name of man.”

“Peace is the happy natural state of man; war is corruption and disgrace.”

“The man who cannot wonder, who does not habitually wonder and worship, is a pair of spectacles behind which there is no eye.”

“The first wonder is the offspring of ignorance, the last is the parent of admiration.”

“Wonder is involuntary praise.”

“Wonder, connected with a principle of rational curiosity, is the source of all knowledge and discovery, and it is a principle even of piety.”

“Man’s worst enemy is himself.”

“The ignorant walk into temptation like rats into a trap.”

“Whatever we owe to God; whatever we owe to man; must be settled somehow, somewhere.”

“Conquer sin, or sin will conquer you.”

“Prayer needs no speech.”

“Character is any day more eloquent than speech.”

“In faith, there is no room for despair.”

“Prayer needs a heart not a tongue.”

“Inner strength grows by prayer.”

“All can acquire spiritual knowledge; it is their duty to do so.”

“He who wants to please all, please none.”

“Beauty lies not in the complexion, but in Truth alone.”

“Sweet are the fruits of patience.”

“The fool will laugh when he is drowning.”

“The family that prays together stays together.”

“Full bellies make empty skulls.”

“God made the country and man made the city.”

“A king without learning is but a crowned ass.”

“Life begins at forty.”

“Misfortunes never come singly.”

“A moneyless man goes fast through the market.”

“The poorer the church, the purer the church.”

“The quarrel of lovers is the renewal of love.”

“Call a man a thief and he will steal.”

“Don’t cast your pearls before swine.”

“Children suck the mother when they are young and then father when they are old.”

“The company makes the feast.”

“If a man deceives me once, shame on him; but if he deceives me twice, shame on me.”

“The best doctors are Dr. Diet, Dr. Quiet and Dr. Merryman.”

“Eagles don’t catch flies.”

“Eagles fly alone.”

“Do not lose the blessing that lies hidden in your trials.”

“The trials and tests are just as essential as the sunshine, and even more so.”

“Glorify God in the fiery trials of life.”

“Our faith is absolutely worthless until it has been tested by trial.”

“The devil has no armies enough at his command to capture one single saint of God who dares to trust Him in the face of everything.”

“You know the truth by being true; you recognize God by being like Him.”

“The soul was made for truth, and cannot live in fiction and chaff.”

“God makes unbelief one of the most dreadful things there is.”

“Doubt is looking for light; unbelief is content with darkness.”

“Prepare for victory not for defeat.”

“That is the victory- when you make the world a ladder to lift you up to God.”

“If you are to be victorious, you must keep the commandments of God; you must obey Him in all things. His word must be your delight.”

“Worry, the great American disease.”

“Worry is the most popular form of suicide. Worry impairs appetite, disturbs sleep, warps character, weakens the mind.”

“Let your child’s first lesson be obedience, and the second may be what you will.”

“Obedience is the foundation of all morality.”

“A religion without mystery must be a religion without God.”

“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection not

in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.”

“You want to double your wealth without gambling or investing. Share it. Whether it be material or intellectual, its rapid increase will amaze you.”

“Backbiting is a crime, a conjugation of evils, and is productive of infinite mischief; it undermines peace and saps the foundation of friendship; it destroys families. It makes an evil man party, and witness, and judge, an executioner of the innocent.”

“All that is ancient is beautiful.”

“None preaches better than the ant, and she says nothing.”

“Arms and money require good hands.”

“Beauty without virtue is a curse.”

“Beauty’s tears are lovelier than her smiles.”

“There is no pride like that of a beggar grown rich.”

“Beauty will save the world.”

“To be holy is so zealously to desire, so vastly to esteem, and so earnestly to endeavor it, that we would not for millions of gold and silver, decline, nor fail, nor mistake in a little.”

“The neglect of prayer is a grand hindrance to holiness.”

“Man is the great mystery of God, the microcosm, or complete abridgment of the whole universe: he is the “mirandum Dei opus”, God’s masterpiece, a living emblem of eternity and time.”

“Most people who visit psychiatrists suffer from an inner deadness. They live in the midst of plenty and are joyless.”

“The proud man has no God; the envious man has no friend; the angry man has not himself. What good then, in being a man, if one has neither himself nor a friend nor God?”

“The national anthem of hell is, “I Did It My Way.”

“He that sees the beauty of holiness, or true moral good, sees the greatest and most important thing in the world. Unless this is seen, nothing is seen that is worth seeing: for there is no other true excellence or beauty.”

“As God delights in His own beauty, he must necessarily delight in the creature’s holiness which is conformity to and participation of it, as truly as the brightness of a jewel, held in the sun’s beams, is participation or derivation of the sun’s brightness, though immensely less in degree.”

“How little people know who think that holiness is dull. When one meets the real thing... It is irresistible.”

“Those who seek most for God, experience the strongest opposition.”

“Religion, if in heavenly truth attir’d, needs only to be seen to be admired.”

“We want no kings but kings of toil- No crowns but crowns of deeds; Not royal birth but sterling worth must make the man who leads.”

“Of all the schoolrooms east and west, the schoolroom of nature I love the best.”

“Critics are divided into bees and spiders: Where the bee finds honey, the spider gathers venom.”

“Self-praise stinks in the mouth.”

“When the heart speaks the tongue is eloquent.”

“In the beginning, look to the end.”

“Study your enemies.”

“If you are wise you will learn more of yourself from your enemies than from your friends.”

“He that dallies with a cunning enemy puts his foot in a trap.”

“Among enemies sleep with your eyes open.”

“Moderate fun is the real enjoyment.”

“Joy to see others enjoy.”

“Boredom is the mother of many vices.”

“Enough is enough; more is too much.”

“Plan with care; execute with vigor.”

“Envy will find faults where there are none.”

“Envy, like the moth, seeks the fairest

fruit.” “Envy is a witch that bewitches

itself.” “Envy is the thorn of little minds.”

“Wisdom will find good in evil.”

“Exaggeration weakens the tale.”

“The middle way- the “golden mean.”

“The eye is the index of the soul: Love, hatred, anger, pity, sorrow, joy, pride, humility, truth, falsehood, courage, cowardice, are pictured there.”

“The tongue can keep a secret better than the eye.”

“Face the devil and he will flunk.”

“Fall and the world will laugh; rise and it will applaud.”

“A wise man will never fall twice in the same ditch.”

“Age... is a matter of feeling, not of years.”

“As we grow old we become more foolish and wiser.”

“Whatever poet, orator, or sage may say of it, old age is still old age.”

“Old age has deformities enough of its own: do not add to it the deformity of vice.”

“We must not take the faults of our youth into our old age; for old age brings with it its own defects.”

“He who never leaves his country is full of prejudices.”

“Remember, when the judgment’s weak, the prejudice is strong.”

“Social power can be defined as an individual’s capacity to modify others’ states by providing or withholding resources or administering punishment.”

“The experience of power has consequences for people’s attention to external stimuli.”

“Power weakens the effect of social influences on ethical decision making.”

“He that expects to do his duty to God must have a strength more than human to go through with it; he

must have the power of God with him.”

“Whenever we take the part of the truth, if we would not be deceived, let us not expect a good reception from the world.”

“The more a man bows his knees before God, the straighter he stands before men.”

“Man is a beggar before God.”

“Prayer is the spirit speaking truth to Truth.”

“Praying men are the vicegerents of God; they do His work and carry out His plans.”

“Prayer is weakness leaning on omnipotence.”

“Pray often, for prayer is a shield to the soul, a sacrifice to God, and a scourge to Satan. Prayer will cease a man from sin, or sin will cease a man from prayer.”

“You know the value of prayer; it is precious beyond all price. Never, never neglect it.”

“Prayer is and remains always a native and deepest impulse of the soul of man.”

“The influence of prayer on the human mind and body is as demonstrable as that of secreting glands. Its results can be measured in terms of increased physical buoyancy, greater intellectual vigor, moral stamina, and a deeper understanding of the realities underlying human relationships.”

“Pride says, “I am the lord my god, and I shall have no other gods besides me,” and “I shall love the Lord my Self with all my heart, soul, strength, and mind.”

“In this hectic age, when most of us are unsure, confused and troubled, the surest anchors, guides and advisers are the wise sayings of great men of the past.”

“One of the greatest treasures is a collection of wise sayings and proverbs for sharpening the mind.”

“The best answer to anger is silence.”

“Great things are done more through courage than through wisdom.”

“Shared joy is double joy and shared sorrow is half sorrow.”

“There are three things that only God knows: The beginning of things, the cause of things, and the end of things.”

“Gratitude is the heart’s memory.”

“Wonder is the beginning of wisdom.”

“To love God is the greatest of virtues; to be loved by God is the greatest of blessings.”

“He is the best preacher who can turn the ear into an eye.”

“A wise man makes his own decisions, an ignorant man follows public opinion.”

“It is better to weep with wise men than to laugh with fools.”

“Follow the wise few rather than the vulgar many.”

“Sometimes quiet is disquieting.”

“It is good for an uneducated man to read books of quotations.”

“I quote others only to better express myself.”

“The fear of God is awakened by a profound sense of

His Majesty.”

“In the midst of the greatest success as in the midst of the deepest disgrace nothing so becomes a man as self-control.”

“To be an original thinker one must know the best that has been thought.”

“Whenever it is possible to say – I am – it is necessary to affirm God.”

“What we love to do we find time to do.”

“Literature springs from irresistible impulse, from feeling so genuine and profound, that its expression is inevitable.”

“The less we live in the mind, the more dependent we become on the persons and things that surround us.”

“We are not masters of the truth which is borne in upon us: it overpowers us.”

“If thou find not God here and now, how shalt thou hope ever to find Him anywhere?”

“The more we descend, the greater the likeness. Atoms

of a kind are alike, as are germs and all the lowest forms of life. There is greater sameness among the ignorant than among the educated. Differentiation is a mark of progress.”

“If trouble has come to you rejoice if it has helped you to gain wisdom and virtue.”

“A thousand words will not leave so deep an impression as one deed.”

“Act as if what you do makes a difference. It does.”

“Iron rusts from disuse; stagnant water loses its purity; even so, does inaction sap the vigor of the mind.”

“Commitment without reflection is fanaticism in action, though reflection without commitment is the paralysis of all action.”

“Our nature consists in motion; complete inaction is death.”

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

“We cannot direct the wind, but we can adjust the sails.”

“Love doesn’t sit there like a stone, it has to be made, like bread; remade all the time, made new.”

“Well-done is better than well-said.”

“We do better to adore the mysteries of deity than to investigate them.”

“No man is more unhappy than the one who is never in adversity; the greatest affliction of life is never to be afflicted.”

“By trials, God is forging us for higher things.”

“What thwarts us and demands of us the greatest effort is also what can teach us most.”

“Never forget that God tests his real friends more severely than the lukewarm ones.”

“Adversity is the diamond dust heaven polishes its jewels with.”

“Mishaps are like knives, that either serve us or cut us, as we grasp them by the blade or the handle.”

“Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors.”

“The good are better made by ill, As odors crushed are sweeter still.”

“The source of every disobedience, indifference, and passion is self-satisfaction. The source of every obedience, vigilance, and virtue is dissatisfaction with one’s self.”

“Do not keep company with anyone whose state does not inspire you and whose speech does not lead you to God.”

“A sign of the heart’s death is the absence of sadness over the acts of obedience that you have neglected and the abandonment of regret over the mistakes that you have made.”

“Let not obedience make you joyous because it comes from you, but rather, be joyous over it because it comes from God to you.”

“Hope comes hand in hand with deeds, otherwise, it is a wish.”

“When He gives, He shows you His kindness. When He deprives, He shows you His power. And in all that, He is making Himself known to you by His gentleness.”

“When He alienates you from His creatures, then know that He wants to open the door of intimacy with Him.”