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The world is full of
magic things, patiently
waiting for our senses
to grow sharper.

W.B. Yeats

No need to hurry.
No need to sparkle.
No need to be
anybody but oneself.

Virginia Woolf

The more I think it over, the more I feel that there is nothing more truly artistic than to love people.

Vincent van Gogh

Cut me open and the
light streams out. Stitch
me up and the light
keeps streaming out
between the stitches.

Richard Siken

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No man lies so
boldly as the man
who is indignant.

Friedrich Nietzsche

Your life begins the
day you drop the knife
you've been holding
at your own throat.

Elizabeth Gilbert

Courage is
knowing what
to fear.

Plato

The way I see it, if
you want the
rainbow, you gotta
put up with the rain.

Dolly Parton

The world breaks
everyone, and
afterward, some are
strong at the broken
places.

Ernest Hemingway

It takes courage to
grow up and become
who you really are.

E.E. Cummings

One of the symptoms of an approaching nervous breakdown is the belief that one's work is terribly important.

Bertrand Russell

If you think you are too small to make a difference, you haven't spent a night with a mosquito.

African Proverb

We know our
friends by their
defects rather than
by their merits.

W. Somerset Maugham

You only live once,
but if you do it right,
once is enough.

Mae West

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

Oscar Wilde

I can't give you a sure-fire formula for success, but I can give you a formula for failure: try to please everybody all the time.

Herbert Bayard Swope

There's a fine line
between genius and
insanity. I have
erased this line.

Oscar Levant

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A clever person
solves a problem.

A wise person
avoids it.

Albert Einstein

Courage is the most important of all the virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently.

Maya Angelou

Stop acting so small.
You are the universe
in ecstatic motion.

Rumi

The problem with the world is that the intelligent people are full of doubts, while the stupid ones are full of confidence.

Charles Bukowski

Words are, of
course, the most
powerful drug used
by mankind.

Rudyard Kipling

You probably wouldn't
worry about what people
think of you if you could
know how seldom they do.

Olin Miller

It is amazing how
complete is the
delusion that beauty
is goodness.

Leo Tolstoy

It is better to fail
in originality than to
succeed in imitation.

Herman Melville

The only way to find true happiness is to risk being completely cut open.

Chuck Palahniuk

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What would men be
without women?

Scarce, sir ...
mighty scarce.

Mark Twain

Learn what is to be
taken seriously and
laugh at the rest.

Herman Hesse

If you obey all of
the rules, you miss
all of the fun.

Katharine Hepburn

When a man is denied the right to live the life he believes in, he has no choice but to become an outlaw.

Nelson Mandela

You're not to be so
blind with patriotism that
you can't face reality.
Wrong is wrong, no mat-
ter who does it or says it.

Malcolm X

When we are no longer
able to change a situa-
tion, we are challenged
to change ourselves.

Viktor Frankl

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

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Life is a shipwreck,
but we must not
forget to sing in the
lifeboats.

Voltaire

When people don't
express themselves,
they die one piece at
a time.

Laurie Halse Anderson

It's discouraging to
think how many people
are shocked by honesty
and how few by deceit.

Noël Coward

Maybe there is a
beast ... maybe
it's only us.

William Golding

Compassion is
the basis of
morality.

Arthur Schopenhauer

The thing that is really hard, and really amazing, is giving up on being perfect and beginning the work of becoming yourself.

Anna Quindlen

The beginning of love is the will to let those we love be perfectly themselves, the resolution not to twist them to fit our own image.

Thomas Merton

You are not entitled to
your opinion. You are
entitled to your informed
opinion. No one is
entitled to be ignorant.

Harlan Ellison

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One word frees us
of all the weight
and pain of life:
that word is 'love'.

Sophocles

The most effective way
to destroy people is
to deny and obliterate
their own understanding
of their history.

George Orwell

When one tugs at a
single thing in nature,
he finds it attached to
the rest of the world.

John Muir

The more one
judges, the less
one loves.

Honoré de Balzac

It ain't what they
call you, it's what
you answer to.

W.C. Fields

I imagine one of the reasons people cling to their hates so stubbornly is because they sense, once hate is gone, they will be forced to deal with pain.

James Baldwin

Sometimes things
fall apart so that
better things can
fall together.

Marilyn Monroe

Hope is a
waking dream.

Aristotle

Anti-intellectualism has been a constant thread winding its way through our political and cultural life, nurtured by the false notion that democracy means that 'my ignorance is just as good as your knowledge.'

Isaac Asimov

Always be a first rate
version of yourself and
not a second rate ver-
sion of someone else.

Judy Garland

Real generosity
towards the future
lies in giving all to
the present.

Albert Camus

History does not always repeat itself. Sometimes it just yells, 'Can't you remember anything I told you?' and lets fly with a club.

John W. Campbell Jr.

He who opens a
school door,
closes a prison.

Victor Hugo

No one can be
happy without
virtue.

Cicero

People grow when they
are loved well. If you
want to help others heal,
love them without an
agenda.

Mike McHargue

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We must resist.
We must refuse
to disappear.

Margaret Atwood

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If you could accept that
perfection is impossi-
ble what would you
stop obsessing over?

Rupi Kaur

Sometimes when you are in a dark place, you think you have been buried, but actually you have been planted.

Christine Caine

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Aim yourself like
an arrow, and let
go.

Leonardo Da Vinci

From the errors of
others, a wise man
corrects his own.

Publilius Syrus

Let the man who
enters our house
admire us rather
than our furnishings.

Seneca

Muddy water is
best cleared by
leaving it alone.

Alan Watts

We must be careful
who we pretend to
be, because we are
who we pretend to be.

Kurt Vonnegut

Courage is knowing it might hurt, and doing it anyway. Stupidity is the same. And that's why life is hard.

Jeremy Goldberg

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I don't desire to be
a billionaire in the
same way I don't as-
pire to exploit people.

Gabriela Sandoval

Unless you're
ashamed of yourself
now and then,
you're not honest.

William Faulkner

If you could only see
how important you
are to the lives of
those around you.

Fred Rogers

Do silly things. Foolishness is a great deal more vital and healthy than our straining and striving after a meaningful life.

Anton Chekhov

Everything I've
ever let go of has
claw marks on it.

David Foster Wallace

You've got to work
with your mistakes
until they look
intended.

Raymond Carver

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Yes, you will rise from
the ashes, but the
burning comes first.
For this part, darling,
you must be brave.

Kalen Dion

The first problem
for all of us is not to
learn, but to
unlearn.

Gloria Steinem

Home is not where
you were born; home
is where all your at-
tempts to escape cease.

Naguib Mahfouz

Music is the
can-opener of
the soul.

Henry Miller

It is not our differences
that divide us. It is
our inability to recog-
nize, accept, and cele-
brate those differences.

Audre Lorde

The greatest
danger to our
future is apathy.

Jane Goodall

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I come with empty
hands and a desire
to unbuild walls.

Ursula K. LeGuin

If you can't do
it with feeling,
don't.

Patsy Cline

You've got to be willing
to be misunderstood by
some. You're here to serve
a purpose greater than
people's opinions of you.

Ash Alves

In order to realize the
worth of the anchor,
we need to feel the
stress of the storm.

Corrie Ten Boom

When you are ready
for fireworks in-
stead of sparklers, I
will come for you.

Erin Van Vuren

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Watch carefully the
magic that occurs when
you give a person just
enough comfort to be
themselves.

Atticus

Our capacity to make peace
with another person and
with the world depends very
much on our capacity to
make peace with ourselves.

Thich Nhat Hanh

Talking nonsense is the sole privilege mankind possesses over the other organisms. It's by talking nonsense that one gets to the truth! I talk nonsense, therefore I'm human.

Fyodor Dostoevsky

I was ashamed of myself when I realized that life was a costume party, and I attended with my real face.

Franz Kafka

Let everything happen
to you: beauty and
terror. Just keep go-
ing. No feeling is final.

Rainer Maria Rilke

If you want a
new idea, read
an old book.

Ivan Pavlov

Elegance is when
the inside is as
beautiful as the
outside.

Coco Chanel

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There must be something rotten in the very core of a social system which increases its wealth without diminishing its misery.

Karl Marx

I guarantee that the seed
you plant in love, no
matter how small, will
grow into a mighty tree
of refuge.

Afeni Shakur

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If you're not enjoying
something, it's almost
always because you're
doing it too fast.

Donna Tartt

Your days are numbered.
Use them to throw open
the windows of your soul
to the sun. If you do
not, the sun will set,
and you will set with it.

Marcus Aurelius

Once a country is
habituated to liars, it
takes generations to
get the truth back.

Gore Vidal

When one is
pretending, the
entire body revolts.

Anaïs Nin

You will never reach
your destination if you
stop and throw stones
at every dog that barks.

Winston Churchill

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

Anatole France

People are almost
always better than
their neighbors
think they are.

George Eliot

Ideologies separate
us. Dreams and
anguish bring us
together.

Eugene Ionesco

Know all the theories,
and master all the tech-
niques, but as you touch
a human soul, be just
another human soul.

Carl Jung