Q What you say may be true, but I still insist that you have me beyond safe depths of thought. Let us get back nearer to the shore, where I can wade in familiar water. We shall go out into the deeper water after we learn to swim well. We started out to discuss the subject of how to profit by adversity, but it seems we have drifted somewhat afield from that subject.

A We have detoured, but we have not drifted. The Devil never drifts. The detour was necessary in order that you might be prepared to understand the most important part of this entire interview.

We are now ready to get back to the discussion of the subject of adversity. Inasmuch as most adversities grow out of improper relationships between people, it seems important to understand how people may become properly related.

Naturally the question arises as to what is a proper relationship between people? The answer is that the proper relationship is one that brings to all connected with it, or affected by it, some form of benefit.

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Take a moment to inventory your relationships, at home, at work, and at play. List the relationships that seem in need of improvement and keep them in your mind as you continue reading.