

# Mankind's Greatest Quotes



Mankind's Wisdom  
from  
Aristotle to Zimmerman

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To the Great Thinkers  
of the Past, Present and Future



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*Three things cannot long be hidden:  
the sun, the moon and the truth.*

*Buddha*

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*However long the night, the dawn will break.*

*African Proverb*

*Truth is its own reward.*

*Plato*

*Truth, when not sought after, rarely comes to light.*

*Oliver Wendell Holmes*

*Do not anticipate trouble or worry about  
what may happen. Keep in the sunlight.*

*Benjamin Franklin*

*The road to success is lined with many  
tempting parking spaces.*

*Anon*

*An error can never become true however many  
times you repeat it. The truth can never be  
wrong, even if no one hears it.*

*Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi*

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*The best way to destroy your enemy  
is to make him your friend.*

Abe Lincoln

*There are only two mistakes one  
can make along the road to truth;  
not going all the way, and not starting.*

Buddha

*The greater danger for most men lies  
not in setting our aim too high and falling short,  
but in setting our aim too low  
and achieving our mark.*

Michelangelo

*The greatest way to live with honor in this world  
is to be what we pretend to be.*

Socrates

*We don't receive wisdom, we must discover it  
for ourselves after a journey  
that no one can take for us or spare us.*

Marcel Proust

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*The future belongs to those who believe  
in the beauty of their dreams.*

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

*To live is so startling  
it leaves little time for anything else.*

*Emily Dickinson*

*Create the highest, grandest vision possible  
for your life, because you become  
what you believe.*

*Oprah Winfrey*

*Our greatest glory is not in never falling,  
but in rising every time we fall.*

*Confucius*

*Courage doesn't always roar.  
Sometimes courage is the quiet voice  
at the end of the day saying,  
"I will try again tomorrow."*

*Mary Anne Radmacher*

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*A journey of a thousand miles  
begins with a single step.*

Lao-Tzu

*Let your dreams bind your work to your play.*

Bob Franke

*The man who has no imagination has no wings.*

Mohammed Ali

*Happiness depends upon ourselves.*

Aristotle

*Man cannot discover new oceans unless  
he has the courage to lose sight of the shore.*

André Gide

*The wisest mind has something yet to learn.*

George Santayana

*The price of wisdom is above rubies.*

The Bible

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Not a day passes over the earth but men  
and women of no note do great deeds, speak  
great words, and suffer noble sorrows. Of these  
obscure heroes, philosophers and martyrs  
the greater part will never be known.

Charles Reade

Be kind, for everyone you meet  
is fighting a hard battle.

Plato

No man is wise enough by himself.

Titus Maccius Plautus

Wise sayings often fall on barren ground,  
but a kind word is never thrown away.

Sir Arthur Helps

If you want others to be happy,  
practice compassion.  
If you want to be happy,  
practice compassion.

Dalai Lama

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A hundred times a day I remind myself that  
my inner and outer life depends on  
the labors of other men, living and dead,  
and that I must exert myself in order to  
give in the same measure as I have received  
and am still receiving.

Albert Einstein

Trust men and they will be true to you;  
treat them greatly and they  
will show themselves great.  
Ralph Waldo Emerson

Great people are those who make others  
feel that they, too, can become great.

Mark Twain

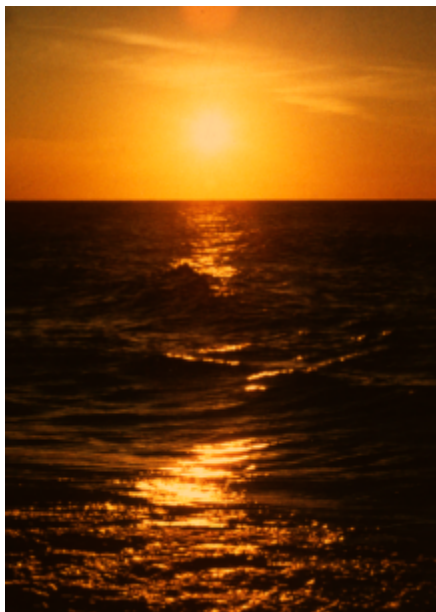
Appreciation is a wonderful thing. It makes what  
is excellent in others belong to us as well.

Voltaire

We make a living by what we get,  
we make a life by what we give.

Sir Winston Churchill

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*The wisest men follow their own direction.*

Euripides

*Truth never damages a cause that is just.*

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi

*Life grants nothing to us mortals  
without hard work.*

Horace

*There is no power on earth more  
formidable than the truth.*

Margaret Lee Runbeck

*Dignity exists not in possessing honors,  
but in the consciousness  
that we deserve them.*

Aristotle

*I know of no more encouraging fact  
than the unquestioned ability of a man  
to elevate his life by conscious endeavor.*

Henry David Thoreau

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Being defeated is often only a temporary condition.  
Giving up is what makes it permanent.

Marilyn vos Savant

A wise man can see more  
from the bottom of a well than a fool can  
from a mountain top.

Anon

The definition of insanity is  
doing the same thing over and over  
and expecting different results.

Benjamin Franklin

I do not know everything,  
still many things I understand.

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Each day, and the living if it,  
has to be a conscious creation in which  
discipline and order are relieved with  
some play and pure foolishness.

Mary Sarton

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There are stars whose radiance is visible on earth  
though they have long been extinct.  
There are people whose brilliance continues  
to light the world though  
they are no longer among the living.  
These lights are particularly bright  
when the night is dark.

Hannah Senesh

You are not here merely to make a living.  
You are here to enable the world  
to live more amply, with greater vision,  
and with a finer spirit of hope and achievement.  
You are here to enrich the world.  
You impoverish yourself  
if you forget this errand.

Woodrow Wilson

I believe that to meet the challenge  
of the next century, human beings will have to  
develop a greater sense of universal responsibility.  
Each of us must learn to work not just  
for his or her own self, family or nation,  
but for the benefit of all mankind.

Dalai Lama

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*All that is necessary for the forces of evil  
to win in the world is for  
enough good men to do nothing.*

Edmund Burke

*Who dares not speak his thoughts is a slave.*

Euripides

*Death is not the worst that can happen to men.*

Plato

*Freedom is from within.*

Frank Lloyd Wright

*Wise men, though all laws were abolished,  
would live the same lives.*

Aristophanes

*If we were directed from Washington  
when to sow and when to reap,  
we would soon want bread.*

Thomas Jefferson

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If a man is called to be a street sweeper,  
he should sweep streets even as Michelangelo  
painted or Beethoven composed music  
or Shakespeare wrote poetry.  
He should sweep streets so well that all  
the hosts of heaven and earth will pause and say,  
"Here lived a great street sweeper  
who did his job well."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

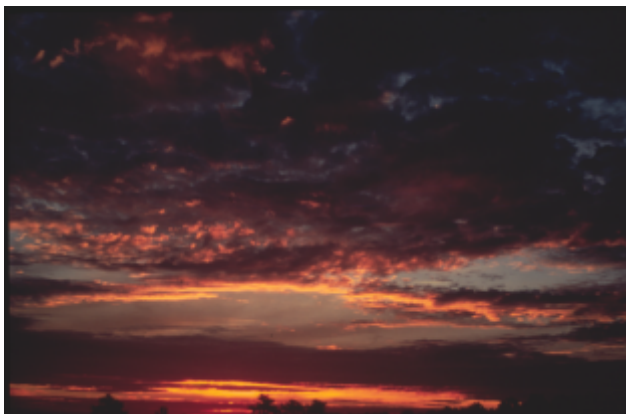
Let each man exercise the art he knows.  
Aristophanes

Each man is the smith of his own fortune.  
Appius Claudius Caecus

What we think we become.  
Buddha.

A pessimist sees the difficulty  
in every opportunity; an optimist sees  
the opportunity in every difficulty.  
Sir Winston Churchill

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*A sailor without a destination  
cannot hope for a favorable wind.*

Leon Tec

*If you don't know where you're going,  
you might not get there.*

Yogi Berra

*If you can dream it, you can do it.*

Walt Disney

*We will either find a way or make a way.*

Hannibal

*Anyone can hold the helm when the sea is calm.*

Publius Syrus

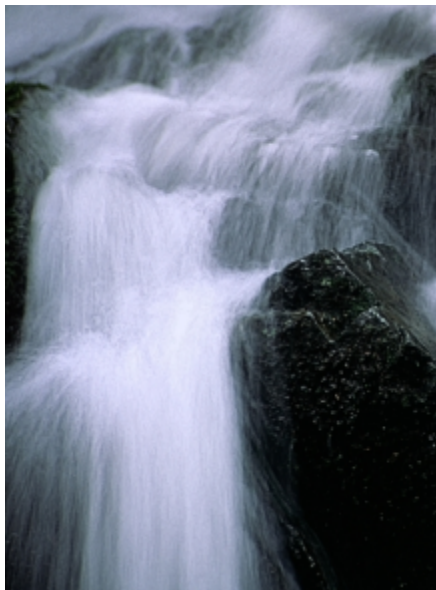
*They are able because they think they are able.*

Virgil

*Have the courage to live. Anyone can die.*

Robert Cody

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*A man who seeks truth and loves it must be  
reckoned precious to any human society.*

Frederick the Great

*The price good men pay for indifference to public  
affairs is to be ruled by evil men.*

Plato

*Our minds possess by nature an  
insatiable desire to know the truth.*

Cicero

*To know that we know what we know,  
and to know that we do not know  
what we do not know,  
that is true knowledge.*

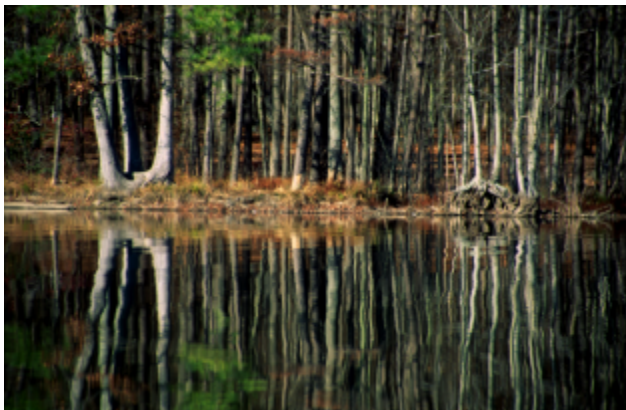
Copernicus

*Nothing splendid has ever been achieved  
except by those who dared believe  
that something inside them  
was superior to circumstance.*

Bruce Barton

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*All truths are easy to understand once they are  
discovered; the point is to discover them.*

*Galileo Galilei*

*Don't part with your illusions.  
When they are gone you may still exist,  
but you have ceased to live.*

*Mark Twain*

*Courage is not simply one of the virtues, but the  
form of every virtue at the testing point.*

*C.S. Lewis*

*Truth is always the strongest argument.*  
*Sophocles*

*We are not human beings on a spiritual journey.  
We are spiritual beings on a human journey.*

*Steven Covey*

*Once you make a decision, the universe  
conspires to make it happen.*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

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*In the universe, great acts  
are made up of small deeds.*

Lao Tzu

*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.*

Helen Keller

*All people are a single nation.*

Koran

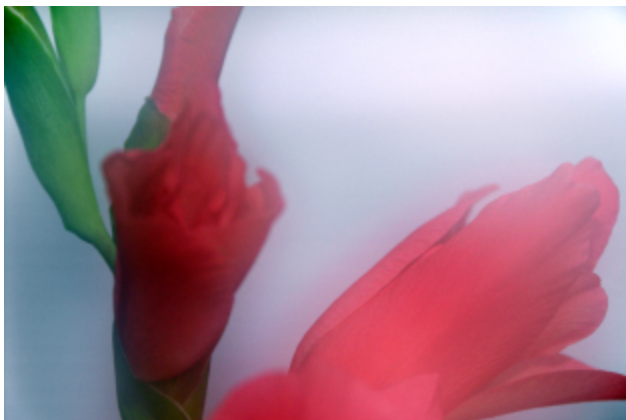
*If your actions inspire others to dream more,  
learn more, do more and become more,  
you are a leader.*

John Quincy Adams

*If you see no reason for giving thanks,  
the fault lies in yourself.*

Native American Proverb  
Manquass Tribe

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It is from numberless diverse acts of courage  
and belief that human history is shaped.  
Each time a man stands up for an ideal,  
or acts to improve the lot of others,  
or strikes out against injustice,  
he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope.

Robert F. Kennedy

The significant problems we face  
cannot be solved at the same level of thinking  
with which we created them.

Albert Einstein

There is no end to the things you can accomplish.

Anon

To do for the world more than the  
world does for you - that is success.

Henry Ford

Stay the course, light a star,  
change the world where're you are.

Richard LeGallienne

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*A ship in the harbor is safe but  
that's not what ships are built for.*

William Thayer Shedd

*Half the wrecks that strew the ocean,  
if some star had been their guide,  
might have now been riding safely  
but they drifted with the tide.*

Robert Whitacker

*No pessimist ever discovered the secret of the stars,  
or sailed to an uncharted land, or opened a new  
doorway for the human spirit.*

Helen Keller

*As long as one keeps searching, the answers come.*

Joan Baez

*Your life is what your thoughts make it.*

Marcus Aurelius

*Turn your face to the sun and  
the shadows fall behind you.*

Maori Proverb

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A man sooner or later discovers  
that he is the master gardener of his soul,  
the director of his life.

James Allen

Do not lose heart. The steeper the road,  
the faster it rises toward ever wider horizons.

Pope John Paul II

Giving up is the ultimate tragedy.

Robert J. Donovan

There is no greater force than the force  
of a man determined.

Anon

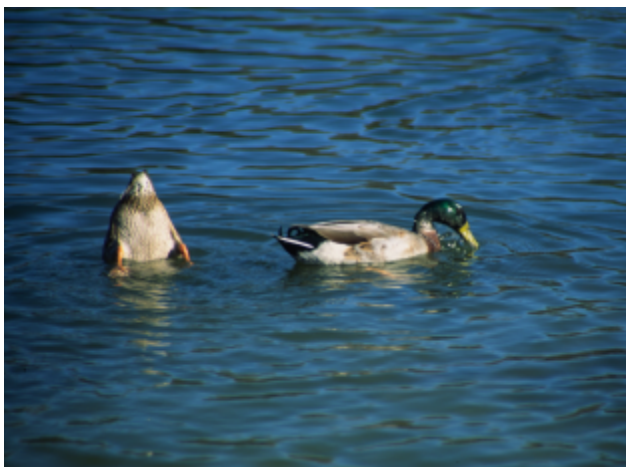
Smooth seas do not make skillful sailors.

African Proverb

Trust yourself. You know more  
than you think you do.

Benjamin Spock

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*There are only two lasting bequests we can  
hope to give our children.  
One of these is roots; the other wings.*

*Hodding Carter*

*Use what talents you possess.  
The woods would be very silent if no birds  
sang there except those that sang best.*

*Henry Van Dyke*

*There are two ways to live your life.  
One is as though nothing is a miracle.  
The other is as though everything is.*

*Albert Einstein*

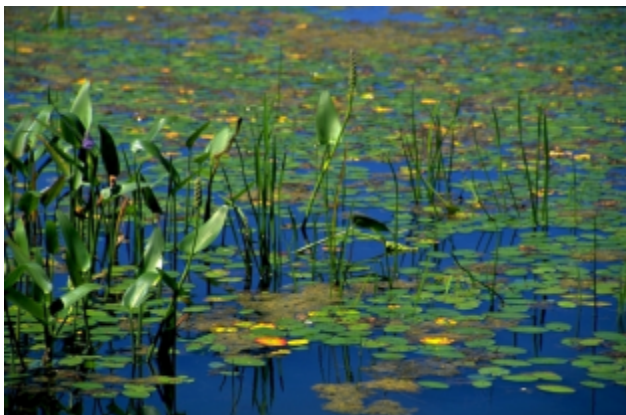
*Some people feel the rain.  
Others just get wet.*

*Robert Zimmerman (Bob Dylan)*

*Stand often in the company of dreamers.  
They believe you can achieve impossible things.*

*Mary Anne Radmacher*

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Let us not forget that the earth delights  
to feel your bare feet and the winds  
long to play with your hair.

Kahlil Gibran

A light heart lives long.

Shakespeare

And those who were seen dancing were thought  
insane by those who could not hear the music.

Friedrich Wilhelm Nietzsche

To accomplish great things we must  
dream as well as act.

Anatole France

I am not afraid of storms,  
for I am learning to sail my ship.

Aeschylus

The wind that fills my sails propels,  
but I am helmsman.

George Meredith

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One ship drives east and the other drives west  
While the self same breezes blow.  
'Tis the set of the sails and not the gales  
That determines the way they go.

Like the birds of the air are the ways of fate  
As we journey along through life.  
'Tis the set of the soul that determines the goal  
And not the storm and the strife.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

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