

People with integrity share 12 characteristics. They should be treated as guideposts in your journey through life.

#### VALUE INTEGRITY.

Recognize who you are and the values that you aspire to. Be prepared to compromise your viewpoint, but never your principles.

# BE TRUE TO YOURSELF.

Trust your instincts rather than seeking validation from others. You have to live with yourself for the rest of your life.

#### KEEP GOOD COMPANY.

Surround yourself with honorable people. Allow them to serve as role models and sounding boards that inspire you to become a better you.

# BE CONFIDENT.

Don't let your behavior be influenced by others who do not share your values; hold yourself to a much higher standard — your conscience.

# DO WHAT'S RIGHT.

Make good choices. Follow the spirit as well as the letter of the law.

# BE HONEST AND TRANSPARENT.

When you stand for honesty, everything you say carries the voice of credibility. But when you're dishonest, your soiled reputation will do the speaking for you.

# HONOR YOUR WORD.

Every time you make a promise, you put your honor and integrity on the line.

# BE LOYAL.

When you live with honor, people know your behavior is reliable, your heart is in the right place, and your word is as good as gold.

#### ACCEPT PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

Accept the consequences of your actions. Knowing what's right isn't as important as doing what's right.

#### BE RESILIENT.

Hard work and sacrifice build character, contribute to success, and promote happiness.

#### MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Make people feel special; bring out the best in them; help them without expecting something in return; be genuinely happy for their achievements.

# LIVE FOR A CAUSE GREATER THAN YOURSELF.

Find your life's purpose. It will inspire you, keep you grounded, and provide stability regardless of the turbulence in your life.





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