* “A true conservationist is a man who knows that the world is not given by his fathers, but borrowed from his children.” —John James Audubon
* “In every walk with nature one receives far more than he seeks.” —John Muir
* “Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.” —Albert Einstein
* “An understanding of the natural world and what’s in it is a source of not only a great curiosity but great fulfillment.” —David Attenborough
* “A nation that destroys its soils destroys itself. Forests are the lungs of our land, purifying the air and giving fresh strength to our people.” —Franklin D. Roosevelt

Life leaps like a geyser for those who drill through the rock of inertia. -Alexis Carrel  
  
Do not lose hold of your dreams or asprirations. For if you do, you may still exist but you have ceased to live. –Thoreau  
  
Life shrinks or expands in proportion to one's courage. -Anais Nin  
  
Every job has drudgery. The first secret of happiness is the recognition of this fundamental fact. -M.C. McIntosh  
  
If you have a job without aggravations, you don't have a job. -Malcolm Forbes  
  
The art of living lies less in eliminating our troubles than in growing with them. -Bernard Baruch  
  
If you aspire to the highest place, it is no disgrace to stop at the second, or even the third, place. –Cicero  
  
Life is 10% what you make it, and 90% how you take it. -Irving Berlin  
  
We cannot change anything unless we accept it. -Carl Jung  
  
We win half the battle when we make up our minds to take the world as we find it, including the thorns. -O.S. Marden  
  
Happy people plan actions, they don't plan results. -Dennis Wholey  
  
If we could sell our experiences for what they cost us, we'd all be millionaires. -Abigail Van Buren  
  
Unshared joy is an unlighted candle. -Spanish Proverb  
  
Make happy those who are near, and those who are far will come. -Chinese Proverb  
  
I am beginning to learn that it is the sweet, simple things of life which are the real ones after all. -Laura Wilder  
  
Without duty, life is soft and boneless. -Joseph Joubert  
  
Happiness lies in the joy of achievement and the thrill of creative effort. -F.D. Roosevelt  
  
It is always the simple that produces the marvelous. -Amelia Barr  
  
When we devote ourselves to the strict & unsparing performance of duty, then happiness comes of itself. -W von Humboldt  
  
The most wasted of all days is that during which one has not laughed. -Nicolas Chamfort  
  
True happiness is not attained through self-gratification, but through fidelity to a worthy purpose. -Helen Keller  
  
The happiest people are those who are too busy to notice whether they are or not. -William Feather  
  
Fear kills resolutions; resolutions kill fear. Dont let fear kill your resolution. -Scottie Somers  
  
The game of life is the game of boomerangs. Our thoughts, deeds & words return to us sooner or later, with astounding accuracy. -F Shinn  
  
There can be no happiness if the things we believe in are different from the things we do. -Freya Stark  
  
I cannot and will not cut my conscience to fit this year's fashions. -Lillian Hellman  
  
It is those who have a deep & real inner life who are best able to deal with the irritating details of outer life. -E Underhill  
  
To win one's joy through struggle is better than to yield to melancholy. -Andre Gide  
  
Not all of us have to possess earth-shaking talent. Just common sense and love will do. -Myrtle Auvil  
  
When we are unable to find tranquility within ourselves, it is useless to seek it elsewhere. -La Rochefoucauld  
  
Everybody's business is nobody's business, and nobody's business is my business. -Clara Barton  
  
You have got to protect your dream; hold on to it, fight for it, shield it, defend it and nurture it. -Michelle John  
  
Do not be influenced by peer pressure, wealth nor reputation; do, because your heart tells you to do so. -Scottie Somers  
  
The world needs dreamers and the world needs doers. But above all, the world needs dreamers who do. -Sarah Ban Breathnach  
  
Strivers achieve what dreamers believe. -Usher Raymond  
  
People need dreams, there's as much nourishment in 'em as food. -Dorothy Gilman  
  
It's a funny thing about life; if you refuse to accept anything but the best, you very often get it. -William Somerset Maugham  
  
Opportunity does not knock, it presents itself when you beat down the door. -Kyle Chandler  
  
Do you want to know who you are? Don't ask. Act! Action will delineate and define you. -Thomas Jefferson  
  
There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it. -Edith Wharton  
  
If you take responsibility for yourself you will develop a hunger to accomplish your dreams. -Les Brown  
  
All the things one has forgotten scream for help in dreams. -Elias Canetti

True happiness is not made in getting something. True happiness is becoming something. This can be done by being committed to lofty goals. We cannot become something without commitment. -Marvin J. Ashton

Man does not drift into goodness...the chance port of an aimless voyage. He must fight ever for his destination. -William George Jordan

Our desires always increase with our possessions. The knowledge that something remains yet unenjoyed impairs our enjoyment of the good before us. -Samuel Johnson

If you are not doing good with what little you have, depend upon it the more money you get the more selfish you would become...If your real desire is to do good, there is no need to wait for money before you do it. -James Allen

My strength is the strength of ten because my heart is pure. -Tennyson

Our great object in time is not to waste our passions and gifts on the things external that we must leave behind, but that we cultivate within us all that we can carry into the eternal progress beyond. -Bulwer

I would rather fail in a cause that will ultimately succeed than succeed in a cause that will ultimately fail. -Woodrow Wilson

It is terrible to speak well and be wrong. -Sophocles

I do not think there is any other quality so essential to success of any kind as the quality of perseverance. It overcomes almost everything, even nature. -John Rockefeller

Pursue, keep up with, circle round and round your life, as a dog does his master's chaise. Do what you love. Know your own bone; gnaw at it, bury it, unearth it, and gnaw it still. -Thoreau

THE POWER OF A COMPELLING CAUSE RESTS IN THE SOUL OF ITS CREATOR, because a cause springs from the soul. It is a spiritual statement from one soul that cannot be the result of many. It comes from a deep place of knowing, some conviction that a richly imagined future could in some way, dramatically and positively, change the world. -Lance Secretan, author "Inspirational Leadership"

It had long since come to my attention that people of accomplishment rarely sat back and let things happen to them. They went out and happened to things. -Elinor Smith

I bargained with Life for a penny,   
And Life would pay no more,   
However I begged at evening   
When I counted my scanty store;

For Life is a just employer,   
He gives you what you ask,   
But once you have set the wages,   
Why, you must bear the task.

I worked for a menial's hire,   
Only to learn, dismayed,   
That any wage I had asked of Life,   
Life would have paid!   
  
-Jessie Rittenhouse

Every individual has a place to fill in the world, and is important in some respect, whether he chooses to be so or not. -Nathaniel Hawthorne

Within our dreams and aspirations we find our opportunities. -Sue Ebaugh

Repentance is another name for aspiration. -H.W. Beecher

Your aspirations are your possibilities. -Dr. Samuel Johnson

The life of every man is a diary in which he means to write one story, and writes another, and his humblest hour is when he compares the volume as it is with what he vowed to make it. -James Barrie

There is no shame in having fallen. Nor any shame in being born into a lowly estate. There is only shame in not struggling to rise. And also shame for not wishing to attain the better. Or not dreaming about it and praying for it. -Samuel Amalu

The true law of the race is progress and development. Whenever civilization pauses in the march of conquest, it is overthrown by the barbarian. -Simms

Don't just read the easy stuff. You may be entertained by it, but you will never grow from it. -Jim Rohn

He is only advancing in life, whose heart is getting softer, his blood warmer, his brain quicker, and his spirit entering into living peace. -Ruskin

I want to convey how beautiful it is to close your eyes and dream. And then to open them and make that dream a reality. -Sean Combs (Puff Daddy)

High aims form high characters, and great objects bring out great minds. -Tryon Edwards

Not failure, but low aim, is crime. -J.R. Lowell

Ambition is the spur that makes man struggle with destiny. It is heaven's own incentive to make purpose great and achievement greater. -Donald G. Mitchell

To be ambitious of true honor and of the real glory and perfection of our nature is the very principle and incentive of virtue; but to be ambitious of titles, place, ceremonial respects, and civil pageantry, is as vain and little as the things are which we court. -Sir P. Sidney

Some of us have great runways already built for us. If you have one, take OFF! But if you don't have one, realize it is your responsibility to grab a shovel and build one for yourself and for those who will follow after you. -Amelia Earhart

Success in life is a matter not so much of talent or opportunity as of concentration and perseverance. -C.W. Wendte

One never learns by success. Success is the plateau that one rests upon to take breath and look down from upon the straight and difficult path, but one does not climb upon a plateau. -Josephine Preston Peabody

Take a look at those two open hands of yours. They are tools with which to serve, make friends, and reach out for the best in life. Open hands open the way to achievement. Put them to work today. -Wilfred A. Patterson

I have always admired the ability to bite off more than one can chew and then chew it. -William DeMille

Think of yourself as on the threshold of unparalleled success. A whole clear, glorious life lies before you. Achieve! Achieve! -Andrew Carnegie

The thorough man of business knows that only by years of patient, unremitting attention to affairs can he earn his reward, which is the result, not of chance, but of well-devised means for the attainment to ends. -Andrew Carnegie

If you are not financially independent by the time you are forty or fifty, it doesn't mean that you are living in the wrong country or at the wrong time. It simply means that you have the wrong plan. -Jim Rohn

We do not know today whether we are busy or idle. In times when we thought ourselves indolent, we have afterwards discovered that much was accomplished, and much was begun in us. -Emerson

All the performances of human art, at which we look with praise or wonder, are instances of the resistless force of perseverance: it is by this that the quarry becomes a pyramid, and that distant countries are united with canals. If a man was to compare the effect of a single stroke of the pick-ax, or of one impression of the spade with the general design and last result, he would be overwhelmed by the sense of their disproportion; yet those petty operations, incessantly continued, in time surmount the greatest difficulties, and mountains are levelled, and oceans bounded, by the slender force of human beings. -Johnson

You may be whatever you resolve to be. Determine to be something in the world, and you will be something. "I cannot," never accomplished anything; "I will try," has wrought wonders. -J. Hawes

Perhaps perseverance has been the radical principle of every truly great character. -J. Foster

Work is as much a necessity to man as eating and sleeping. Even those who do nothing that can be called work still imagine they are doing something. The world has not a man who is an idler in his own eyes. -W. Humboldt

I like work; it fascinates me. I can sit and look at it for hours. -Jerome K. Jerome

You will never have a greater or lesser dominion than that over yourself. The height of a man's success is gauged by his self-mastery; the depth of his failure by his self-abandonment. And this law is the expansion of eternal justice. He who cannot establish dominion over himself will have no dominion over others. -Leonardo Da Vinci

Perhaps the surest test of an individual's integrity is his refusal to do or say anything that would damage his self-respect. -Thomas  Monson

If a man can write a better book, preach a better sermon, or make a better mouse-trap than his neighbor, though he build his house in the woods, the world will make a beaten path to his door. -Generally attributed to Emerson, also claimed by Elbert Hubbard

In vain do they talk of happiness who never subdued an impulse in obedience to a principle. He who never sacrificed a present to a future good, or a personal to a general one, can speak of happiness only as the blind speak of color. -Horace Mann

The great high-road of human welfare lies along the old highway of steadfast, well-doing; and they who are the most persistent, and work in the truest spirit, will invariably be the most successful; success treads on the heels of every right effort. -S. Smiles

What we truly and earnestly aspire to be, that in some sense we are. The mere aspiration, by changing the frame of the mind, for the moment realises itself. -Mrs. Jameson