"Whatever is well said by another, is mine." (Seneca)

"The excellency of a sermon lies in the plainest discoveries and liveliest applications of Jesus Christ." (John Flavel)

“I hear and I forget. I see and I remember. I do and I understand.” (Chinese proverb)

“An appeaser is one who feeds a crocodile, hoping it will eat him last.” (Winston Churchill)

"Thou must know that every man cannot be excellent, that yet may be useful. An iron key may unlock the door of a golden treasure, yea, iron can do some things that gold cannot. Remember it is not hasty reading, but serious meditating upon holy and heavenly truths, that make them prove sweet and profitable to the soul. It is not the bee's touching of the flower that gathers honey, but her abiding for a time upon the flower that draws out the sweet. It is not he that reads most, but he that meditates most, that will prove the choicest, sweetest, wisest and strongest Christian." (Thomas Brooks)

"Faith is essential to powerful preaching. He who believes implicitly, will feel deeply and speak forcibly." (Henry C. Fish)

“A bore is a man who deprives you of solitude without providing you with company.” (Gian Vincenzo Cravina)

“Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day; teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime.” (Unknown)

“A slow drip eventually puts a hole in a hard rock.” (Unknown)

"We are so constituted that what we hear depends very much for its effect on how we are disposed towards the one who speaks. The regular hearers of the minister gradually form in their minds (almost unaware) an image of what he is, into which they put everything which they themselves remember about him, and everything they have heard of his record. And when he rises on Sunday in the pulpit, it is not the man visible there at the moment that they listen to, but this image which stands behind him and determines the precise weight and effect of every sentence which he utters." (James Stockers)

“There’s a period of life when we swallow a knowledge of ourselves, and it becomes either good or sour inside.” (Pearl Bailey)

“Conscience is that inner voice that warns us that someone may be looking.” (H.L. Mencken)

“A wise man will keep his suspicions muzzled, but he will keep them awake.” (Marquess of Halifax)
"The heart of man must be interpreted, as well as the Word of God, by him who would have power over an audience. He must be thoroughly acquainted with human nature—must know the feelings of men of all classes and conditions, and all the springs of action, and avenues to the soul. He is the best preacher, says one whose own success ought to qualify him to speak, "who has the best knowledge of human nature—not of the philosophy of the mind in the abstract, though that is important—but of the wants, the susceptibilities, the struggles, the temptations, the reasonings, the shifts of individual minds in regard to religion." (Henry C. Fish)

"To be angry is to revenge the faults of others upon ourselves.” (Alexander Pope)

"Whenever the pulpit is evangelical, the piety of the people is in some degree healthy; a perversion of the pulpit is surely followed by spiritual apostasy in the Church." (R.L. Dabney)

“The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see.” (Winston Churchill)

“They [humanists] have both feet firmly planted in mid-air.” (Francis Scheaffer)

“To value oneself and, at the same time, subordinate oneself to higher purposes and to other people’s interests is the paradoxical essence of highest humanity and the foundation of effective leadership.” (Stephen Covey)

“An optimist sees an opportunity in every calamity; a pessimist sees a calamity in every opportunity.” (Unknown)

“Jumping in to say what’s on our minds—before we’ve even acknowledged what the other person said—short-circuits the possibility of mutual understanding. Speaking without listening, hearing without understanding is like snipping an electrical cord in two, then plugging it in anyway, hoping somehow that something will light up. Most of the time, of course, we don’t deliberately set out to break the connection. In fact, we’re often baffled and dismayed by a feeling of being left sitting around in the dark.” (Michael P. Nichols, Ph.D.)

"If I profess with the loudest voice and clearest exposition every portion of the truth of God except precisely that little point which the world and the devil are at the moment attacking, I am not confessing Christ, however boldly I may be professing Christ. Where the battle rages, there the loyalty of the soldier is proved, and to be steady on all battlefield besides, is mere flights and disgrace if he flinches at that point.” (Martin Luther)

“Often the biggest barrier to communication is the assumption that it has taken place.”
(Unknown)

“The foolish and the dead alone never change their opinions.” (James Russell Lowe)
“Whatever is well said by another, is mine.” (Seneca)

“The best way to cope with change is to help create it.” (Bob Dole)

"We are prepossessed in favour of men who, in this world of uncertainty and perplexity, express themselves on a grave subject with confidence and command. Some preachers weaken their messages by an indecisive mode of statement, giving the impression that they are either careless, or timid, or half persuaded. They qualify and guard everything, as if somebody would take exception. Instead of this, they should come saying, "We are the servants of the Most High! These are His words-not ours; and not one jot or tittle will we abate from them, nor give subjection to opposers, no, not for an hour!" Men dealt with thus fearlessly, acknowledge the preacher's power. His courage energizes and unlocks his thoughts, and gives to them decision, majesty, strength." (Henry C. Fish)

“When you’re interested in doing something, you do it only when circumstances permit. When you’re committed to something, you accept no excuses, only results.” (Art Turock)

“What counts is not the number of hours you put in but how much you put in those hours.” (Unknown)

“This is the final test of a gentleman: his respect for those who can be of no possible value to him.” (William Lyon Phelps)

“We are continually faced by great opportunities brilliantly disguised as insolvable problems.” (Unknown)

“We cannot direct the wind . . . but we can adjust the sails.” (Unknown)

"Timidity shuts many a door of usefulness, and loses many a precious opportunity; it wins no friends, while it strengthens every enemy. Nothing is lost by boldness, nor gained by fear." (John Gillies)

“The journey of a thousand miles starts with a single step.” (Chinese proverb)

“Good intentions are no substitute for action; failure usually follows the path of least persistence.” (Unknown)

“In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity.” (Albert Einstein)

“Practice random kindness and senseless acts of beauty.” (Unknown)

“Pass out hope like its candy out of your pockets.” (Unknown)

“Most people are about as happy as they make up their minds to be.” (Abraham Lincoln)

“The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is that little extra.” (Unknown)
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“Genius is the ability to reduce the complicated to the simple.” (C.W. Ceran)

“Luck is what happens when providence and preparation intersect opportunity.” (Unknown)

“Obstacles are what we see when we take our eyes off of the goal.” (Crossman)

“No one can make you feel inferior [or anything] without your permission.” (Unknown)

“Every job is a self-portrait of the person who did it.” (Unknown)

“My riches consist not in the extent of my possessions but in the fewness of my wants.” (J. Brotherton)

“Vision is the art of seeing things invisible.” (Jonathan Swift)

“I am not young enough to know everything.” (James M. Barrie)

“Genius is 1 percent inspiration and 99 percent perspiration.” (Thomas Edison)

“The best way to judge an individual is by observing how he or she treats people who can do them absolutely no good.” (Unknown)

“A pessimist is a man who looks both ways before crossing a one-way street.” (Lawrence J. Peter)

“Behind an able man, there are always other able men.” (Unknown)

“Failure is not the only punishment for laziness; there is also the success of others.” (Jules Renard)

“Forgiveness is the fragrance of the violet that clings fast to the heel that crushed it.” (Unknown)

“It is easier to fight for one’s principles than to live up to them.” (Alfred Adler)

“A man begins cutting his wisdom teeth the first time he bites off more than he can chew.” (Herb Caen)

“It is better to deserve honors and not have them than to have them and not deserve them.” (Mark Twain)

“It is better to be hated for what you are than loved for what you are not.” (Andre Gid)
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“A committee of one gets things done.” (Joe Ryan)

“A wise man knows everything, and a shrewd man knows everybody.” (Unknown)

“Whatever you may be sure of, be sure of this, that you are dreadfully like other people.” (James Russel Lowell)

“Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.” (George Santayana)

“A plan violently executed is better than a good plan next week.” (Gen. George Patton)

“The way of the world is to praise dead saints and to persecute living ones.” (Nathaniel Howe)

“Great spirits have always found violent opposition from mediocrities.” (Albert Einstein)

“We are all apt to believe what the world believes about us.” (George Eliot)

“Regret is an old emotion because it comes only upon reflection. Regret lacks immediacy, and so its owner seldom influences events when it could do some good.” (William O’Rourke)

“Beware of the fury of a patient man.” (John Dryden)

“The unexamined life is not worth living.” (Socrates)

“Change is certain. Progress is not.” (E.H. Carr)

“Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant.” (P.T. Barnum)

“There is no greater lie than a truth misunderstood.” (William James)

“[Regarding the deceitful, psychology of sin:] What is nonsense begins to make sense in our own private world.” (Geoffrey Smith)

“Not to decide is to decide.” (Unknown)

“If thought corrupts language, language can also corrupt thought.” (George Orwell)

“Creativity is piercing the mundane in order to get to the marvelous.” (Unknown)

“How glorious it is—and also how painful—to be an exception.” Alfred de Musset

“Fraud and falsehood only dread examination. Truth invites it.” (Thomas Cooper)

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“Every action in one’s life eventually effects every person in one’s life.” (Unknown)

“Friends hear what you say; close friends listen to what you say; best friends listen to what you don’t say.” (Unknown)

“When grief is the freshest, words should be the fewest.” (Unknown)

"Authority is inherent in truth." (Henry C. Fish)

"Christian preaching therefore is not the bare utterance of words, however skillfully woven on the loom of literary or oratorical art. It is infinitely more the communication of the Word, the bearing and the delivery of a burden, and that burden the burden of the Lord. Not just the burden which the Lord bestows, but the burden which the Lord Himself is. Hence preaching is something august, sublime, awe-begetting, a supernatural act, the transmission of a person through a person to a company of persons, the person so conveyed being the everlasting Jesus. Every true sermon is a Bethlehem, above it the star sparkles and about it shimmer troops of shouting angels. Hearing it wise men bring their gifts and bow themselves and the world is made glad by the coming of its Savior. As really as Christ was historically mediated to mankind through the body of Mary when the humble Hebrew maiden became the mother of her God, so really is Christ mystically mediated to mankind through a true preacher." (Iain Mcpherson)

“If today you forbid what God has permitted, tomorrow you’ll permit what God has forbidden.” (Morton Smith)

“Diplomacy is the act of letting someone have your way.” (Daniele Vare)

“Ready, Fire, Aim or Ready, Aim, Fire?” (Unknown)

“You only truly believe the truth that is active in your life.” (Tom Ellis)

“Live so as to be missed.” (R.M. M’Cheyne)

"Weight of character gives weight to words; while supposed insincerity and known inconsistency of conduct, neutralize all that one can say." (Henry C. Fish)

“Maturity is the capacity to endure uncertainty." (John Finley)

“Tact is, after all, a kind of mind reading.” (Sarah Orne Jewett)

“We must talk to ourselves instead of allowing ‘ourselves’ to talk to us! . . . Most of [our] unhappiness in life is due to the fact that [we] are listening to [ourselves] instead of talking to [ourselves].” (D. Martyn Lloyd Jones)

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“The man who has confidence in himself gains the confidence of others.” (Hasidic Saying)

“Man is not fully conditioned and determined; he determines himself whether to give in to conditions or to stand up to them. In other words, man is ultimately self-determining. Man does not simply exist, but always decides what his existence [i.e. his inner weather] will be, what he will become in the next moment.” (Viktor E. Frankl)

Serenity Prayer: “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardships as the pathway to peace, taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it, trusting that He will make all things right if I surrender to His will, that I may be reasonably happy in this life and supremely happy with Him forever in the next.” (Unknown)

“Its not so much what we want, but how much we want it.” (John Calvin)

“In peace nothing so becomes a man as modesty and humility, but when the blast of war blows in our ears, then imitate the action of the Tiger, summon up the blood, disguise fair nature with rage, and lend the eye a terrible aspect.” (probably W. Shakespeare)

“All presentations of the gospel must be escorted with tenderness. It is not so much hard sayings that pierce the consciences of people; it is the voice of divine love heard amid the thunder. The sharpest point of the two-edged sword is not death but life; and against self righteous souls this latter ought to be more used than the former. When we teach that the glad tidings were intended to impart immediate assurance of eternal life to every sinner that believes them, we strike deeper upon the proud enmity of the world to God than when we show the eternal curse and the second death.” (R.M. M'Cheyne)

"...no people can be formed into stable, consistent and righteous Christians without much doctrinal instruction." (R.L. Dabney)

“Great works are performed not by strength but by perseverance.” (Samuel Johnson)

“What we see depends much on what we look for.” (John Lubbock)

“Good timber does not grow with ease; the stronger the wind, the stronger the trees.” (J. Willard Marriot)

“...he who never grapples with great subjects will never have great powers." (R.L. Dabney)

“Whenever you fall, pick something up.” (Oswald Avery)
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“Fear makes the wolf bigger than he is.” (German Proverb)

"The mind intuitively apprehends beauty in method, while confusion is always unsightly to it...No innocent means are unworthy which assist even in a slight degree in commending saving truth. Moreover, I avow that when I observe how our Maker has framed our laws of taste, so that the sentiment of intellectual beauty always waits most instinctively on those sequences which are most true and just, I cannot depreciate it. It is a noble thing to make the truth beautiful!” (R.L. Dabney)

“The only thing we have to fear is fear it’self—nameless, unreasoning, unjustified, terror which paralyzes needed efforts to convert retreat into advance.” (FDR)

“No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.” (Eleanor Roosevelt)

"Force in writing consists in the maximum of sense with the minimum of words." (Aristotle)

"Most hearers know enough; they want to be made to feel and to do." (Henry C. Fish)

“One can choose to go back toward safety or forward toward growth. Growth must be chosen again and again; fear must be overcome again and again.” (Abraham Maslow)

“There is a time for departure even when there’s no certain place to go.” (Tennessee Williams)

“[Often] the real risk is doing nothing.” (Denis Waitley)

"One always speaks most strongly of what he has felt." (Henry C. Fish)

“We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it—but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie in anchor.” (Oliver Wendell Holmes)

“It is easy in the world to live after the world’s opinions; it is easy in solitude to live after your own; but the great man is he who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.” (Ralph Waldo Emerson)

“Do what you can, with what you have, where you are.” (Theodore Roosevelt)

“Improvise, adapt, overcome.” (American military value)

(in a farewell speech to his first congregation): "I cannot but record the effect of an actual though undesigned experiment which I prosecuted for upwards of twelve years among you. For the first eight years of that time I could expatiate only on the meanness of dishonesty, on the villainy of
falsehood, on the despicable arts of calumny, in a word upon all those deformities of character which awaken the natural indignation of the human heart against the pests and disturbers of human society. But the interesting fact is, that, during the whole of that period, I never once heard of any reformation being wrought amongst my people. All the vehemence with which I urged the virtues and the proprieties of social life had not the weight of a feather on the moral habits of my parishioners. It was not until the free offer of forgiveness through the blood of Christ was urged upon the acceptance of my hearers that I ever heard of any of those subordinate reformations which I made the ultimate object of my earlier ministrations. ...You have taught me that to preach Christ is the only effective way of preaching morality." (Thomas Chalmers)

“We do not suddenly become what we do not cooperate in becoming.” (William J. Bennett)

“You can’t build a reputation on what you are going to do.” (Henry Ford)

"Indeed, the result of true art is simply to assist Nature to perfect herself, and thus to open the way for her to her worthiest ends." (R.L. Dabney)

“You must be the change you wish to see in the world.” (Mohandas K. Gandhi)

"It was a golden maxim of the Protestant fathers, that "doctrines must be preached practically and duties doctrinally." (R.L. Dabney)

“Opportunities are usually disguised as hard work, so most people don’t recognize them.” (Ann Landers)

"Ah, my brethren how much learning it takes to make things plain." (Archbishop Usher)

“A [parent] is not a person to lean on but a person to make leaning unnecessary." (Dorothy Canfield Fisher)

“Courage is being scared to death—and saddling up anyway.” (John Wayne)

"Speech is a mighty power. It is God's chief instrument in salvation. God's word at first created the world, and His word, from the lips of His servants, is to re-create it." (Henry C. Fish)

“A wise man will make more opportunities than he finds.” (Francis Bacon)

“People need loved the most when they deserve it the least.” (Unknown)

“Do not use a hatchet to remove a fly from your friend’s forehead.” (Chinese Proverb)

“I would then, define eloquence as the emission of the soul's energy through speech." (R.L. Dabney)
"Whatever is well said by another, is mine." (Seneca)

"It is only the morality of the cross which the Christian pastor should teach...He should should trace every precept of the law to its connection with the redeeming love of Christ, and draw thence his incitements to obey." (R.L. Dabney)

"Nature does not despise art. It is the office of art to lead back to nature. The rules of oratory are all drawn from nature, if they are right rules; and he who practices upon them is only conforming to nature." (Henry C. Fish)

“Even a broken clock is right twice a day.” (Unknown)

“We are always most annoyed with those nearest ourselves who yet differ with us.” (Unknown)

“IT IS THE LISTENER, NOT THE TALKER, WHO HOLDS THE MOST POWER AND CONTROL IN A CONVERSATION.” (Unknown)

"In our sleep, pain which cannot forget falls drop by drop upon the heart until, in our own despair, against our will, comes wisdom through the awful grace of God." (Aeschylus)

“I have generally found that a man who is good at excuses is usually good at nothing else.” (Benjamin Franklin)

"He fed you with his doctrine and edified you by his example; he wooed for Christ in his preaching and allured you to Christ by his walking." (the testimony of the ministry of Walter Marshal by one of his parishioners after his death)

"Clear conviction of sin is the only true origin of dependence on another's righteousness, and therefore (strange to say) of the Christian's peace of mind and cheerfulness." (R.M. M'Cheyne)

"The eyes of others our prisons; their thoughts our cages." (Virginia Woolf)

"The preacher's task may be correctly explained as that of (instrumentally) forming the image of Christ upon the souls of men." (R.L. Dabney)

"One thing always fills the cup of my consolation, that God may work by the meanest and poorest words, as well as by the most polished and ornate - yea, perhaps more readily, that the glory may be all His own." (R.M. M'Cheyne)

“How incessant and great are the ills with which a prolonged old age is replete.” (C.S. Lewis)

“It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly…who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at best knows in the
end the triumph of high achievement, and who at worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who have never known neither victory nor defeat.” (Teddy Roosevelt)

“Show me the man you honor, and I will know what kind of man you are, for it shows me what your ideal of manhood is and what kind of man you long to be.” (Thomas Carlyle)

“Eros will have naked bodies; Friendship naked personalities.” (C.S. Lewis)

"Do not suppose that abuses are eliminated by destroying the object which is abused. Men can go wrong with wine and women. Shall we then prohibit and abolish women?" (Martin Luther)

"The devil baits his hook with religion." (Thomas Watson)

"Take heed . . . The devil is a greater scholar than you." (Richard Baxter)

“The repentance we ought to preach is one connected with faith. Thus we may preach repentance and faith together without any difficulty whatsoever. True repentance is born at the same time with faith. They are twins. To say which is first is past my knowledge. They come to the soul together and we must preach them together. Spurgeon said, "So then, dear friends, those people who have faith which allows them to think lightly of past sin, have the faith of devils and not the faith of God's elect.” (Ernest Reisinger)

"The indulgence of one sin opens the door to further sins. The indulgence of one sin diverts the soul from the use of those means by which all other sins should be resisted." (John Owen)

Only essentials should divide the Christian Church, in non-essentials, liberty. (Unknown)

"Sanctification consists of two parts: mortification, or a dying unto sin, and vivification, or a living unto God." (Christopher Love)

“We are conceived in relationship, born in relationship, and raised in relationship. It is in relationship that our needs are met—or not. It is in relationship that we get hurt, and it is in relationship that we must be healed.” (Sam Turton)

"Feel it and you will be freed from it." (Paul Vereshack)

“There is no special honor in preaching, there is only special pain. The pulpit calls those anointed to it as the sea calls its sailors. And like the sea, it batters and bruises and does not rest. To preach, to really preach is to die naked a little at a time and to know each time you do it that you must do it again.” (Bruce Theilman)
“Whatever is well said by another, is mine.” (Seneca)

“The real problem is not why some pious, humble believing people suffer, but why some do not.” (C.S. Lewis)

“The good works of the saints will also be brought forth as evidences of their sincerity, and of their interest in the righteousness of Christ. As to their evil works, they will not be brought forth against them on that day. For the guilt of them will not lie upon them, they being clothed with the righteousness of Jesus Christ. The Judge himself will have taken the guilt of their sins upon him. Therefore their sins will not stand against them in the book of God’s remembrance. The account of them will appear to have been canceled before that time. The account that will be found in God’s book will not be of debt, but of credit. God cancels their debts, and sets down their good works, and is pleased, as it were, to make himself a debtor for them, by his own gracious act.” (Jonathan Edwards – The Final Judgment)