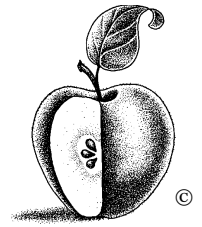




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## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION Fr. Mike Scanlan, TOR

“The goal of a Christian institution is not just information but transformation.”

## A BEWILDERED WORLD Gandhi

“It is because we have at the present moment everybody claiming the right of conscience without going through any discipline whatsoever that there is so much untruth being delivered to a bewildered world.”

## PURPOSE OF EDUCATION Jacob Neusner

“Much that you learn today won’t be true five years from now; many things you haven’t heard today will be important five or ten years ahead. If I teach you something supposedly ‘relevant,’ I’m guaranteeing irrelevance.

“If I teach you how to work, to have good attitudes, to take responsibility for your own ideas, to communicate and to think a problem through, no matter what subject matter I use in order to get those basic skills of mind and intellect across, then I’m giving you something you can use for a very long time. Those skills will never change.”

## I BELIEVE... John D. Rockefeller, Jr.

“I believe that every right implies a responsibility; every opportunity, an obligation; every possession, a duty.”

## THAT WE GROW Josh Liebman

“Nature does not demand that we be perfect. It requires only that we grow.”

## MAGNANIMOUS PEOPLE Van Wyck Brooks

“How delightful is the company of generous people, who overlook trifles and keep their minds instinctively fixed on whatever is good and positive in the world about them.

“People of small caliber are always carping. They are bent on showing their own superiority,

their knowledge or prowess or good breeding.

“But magnanimous people have no vanity, they have no jealousy, they have no reserves, and they feed on the true and the solid wherever they find it. And what is more, they find it everywhere.”



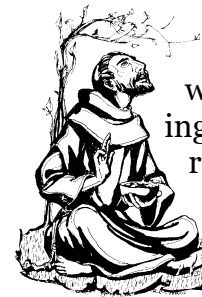
## LEADERS CHARACTERISTICS Anon.

“Leaders have two important characteristics: first, they’re going somewhere; second, they’re able to persuade other people to go along with them.”

## ON PRAYER THE CHRISTOPHERS, #286

“Prayer changes things. Prayer first changes people, and people change things.”

## ON GENEROSITY *Franciscan Virtues Through the Year*, p. 49



“Generosity is more than giving. It means giving from your want, from your need, not just giving what you have left over. Can you remember a time when someone showed you generosity?...Additionally, generosity can be shown with gifts of time or a listening ear. We can be generous in sharing our talents or our knowledge. Generosity is giving an undeserved gift without expecting gratitude or repayment....

The reflection concludes, “[I]s it possible to be generous to a fault? St. Francis would not think so. He would consider how generous God is with us. He gives his very best. He gives us himself in His Son....We can never out give God. St. Francis thanked God profusely & constantly for His generosity.

“Have you thanked God lately for his outpouring of undeserved generosity in your life?”

## BE HAPPY TODAY *Bits & Pieces*, Sept. ‘85

“Decide to be happy today, to live with what

is yours – your family, your business, your job, your luck. If you can't have what you like, maybe you can like what you have.

“Just for today, be kind, cheerful, agreeable, responsive, caring and understanding. Be your best, dress your best, talk softly, look for the bright side of things. Praise people for what they do and don't criticize them for what they cannot do. If someone does something stupid, forgive and forget. After all, it's just for one day. Who knows, it might turn out to be a nice today.”

#### HOW TO BURY A GOOD IDEA Anon.

- ⇒ It will never work.
- ⇒ We've never done it that way before.
- ⇒ We're doing fine without it.
- ⇒ We can't afford it.
- ⇒ We're not ready for it.
- ⇒ It's not our responsibility.



#### A DAILY PRAYER St. Vincent de Paul

“My dear Lord, You are using me as an instrument; if you are not careful, I will spoil it all. I beg You to give me the grace and the power that I will not interfere with Your holy will. Protect Yourself from me.”

#### ON CHARACTER Faith Baldwin

“Character builds slowly, but it can be torn down with incredible swiftness.”

#### HONEST FRIEND Robert L. Stevenson

“We are all travelers in the wilderness of this world, and the best that we find in our travels is an honest friend.”

#### WALKING PURGATORIES Rev. Harry Winter, OMI Holy Humor, Cal Samra, p. 34

The late Jesuit missionary Johannes Hofinger was intrigued by the Chinese habit of giving nicknames to people. The superior of the Jesuit mission in China was a dour Austrian with a sour face.

“Do you know the nickname the Chinese Catholics gave the superior?” Hofinger would tell an audience – “Walking Purgatory.” And Hofinger would add, “Please, my dear friends, do not be walking purgatories when you evangelize.”

#### BE A SPARK OF LIGHT Saint John Paul II

“Every believer in this world must become a spark of light.”

#### GOOD LEADERS Warren Bennis

“Good leaders make people feel that they're at the very heart of things, not the periphery. Everyone feels that he or she makes a difference to the success of the organization. When that happens people feel centered and that gives their work meaning.”

#### LIVE THIS DAY Og Mandino The Greatest Salesman in the World

“**Scroll 5:** ‘I will live this day as if it is my last.’

“And what shall I do with this last precious day which remains in my keeping? I will waste not a moment mourning yesterday's misfortunes, defeats or heartaches, for why should I throw good after bad?

“I have but one life and life is naught but a measurement of time.

When I waste one I destroy the other. If I waste today I destroy the last page of my life. Therefore, each hour of this day will I cherish for it can never return.”

#### CHILDREN PRODUCE ADULTS George Will June 20, 1999 column

“Biologically, adults produce children. Spiritually, children produce adults. Most of us do not grow up until we have helped children do so. Thus, do the generations form a braided cord.”

#### MOST IMPORTANT LESSON Dr. Bob Gilbert LEADERSHIP, July 2, 1996, p. 7

The most important lesson I ever learned in college was during the first moments of the first class on the first day....

With my notebook open to the brand-spanking new, very first page, I waited for my English professor to begin. Without a word, she turned to the board and wrote:

*College is a fountain of knowledge  
where some come to drink,  
more come to sip,  
but, unfortunately,  
most come just to gargle.*