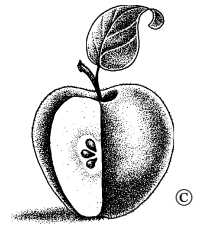


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TEACHING IS AN ART

Anatole France

“Teaching is the art of awakening the natural curiosity of young minds for the purpose of satisfying it afterwards.”

DAILY TREASURE

Arnold Bennett

“You wake up in the morning, and lo! your purse is magically filled with twenty-four hours of the magic tissue of the universe of your life. No one can take it from you. No one receives either more or less than you receive. Waste your infinitely precious commodity as much as you will, and the supply will never be withheld from you. Moreover, you cannot draw on the future. Impossible to get into debt. You can only waste the passing moment. You cannot waste tomorrow. It is kept for you.”

INTENTIONS OR ACTIONS

William James

“No matter how full a reservoir of maxims one may possess, and no matter how good one’s sentiments may be, if one has not taken advantage of every concrete opportunity to act, one’s character may remain entirely unaffected for the better. With mere good intentions hell is proverbially paved.”

TRUE GLORY

Pliny the Elder

“True glory consists in doing what deserves to be written; in writing what deserves to be read; and in so living as to make the world happier and better for our living in it.”

TALENT OF SUCCESS

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

“The talent of success is nothing more than doing what you can do well and doing well whatever you do without thought of fame. If it comes at all it will come because it is deserved, not because it is sought after.”

NEVER A HERO

Earl Nightingale, *Insight*, # 52

“As individuals, we’re conscious of our shortcomings. We remember consciously and subconsciously, all our little failings and past failures. We’re aware of all the thousands of things we cannot do well, and we underestimate our ability in those areas in which we excel. A person is never a hero in one’s own home, and the same can be said of how we regard ourselves in our own minds.”

STARTS WITH RESPECT

John Luther,
Soundings, Vol. 3, # 6

“Good management starts with respect for the people you are trying to manage. If an employee realizes from the way you act and what you say and do, that you recognize that he or she is a worthwhile, important individual, the battle for good work is half won.”

HAUNTING VERSE

Fr. Rawley Myers

“Do we live as if
we really believed in the Gospel?”

ART OF MANAGEMENT

BITS & PIECES, Vol.20, # 4

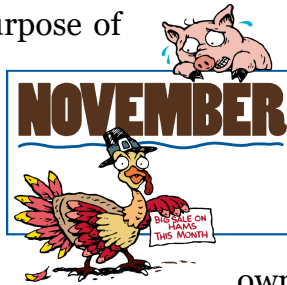
“The art of management lies in making difficult things simple, not simple things difficult. Nowhere is this more apparent than in writing.

Many managers and executives, unfortunately, try to write a different language from the one they speak. The result is stilted language, muddy thought, confusion. The clearest, most effective way to express an idea is in simple, conversational language.”

AN HONEST TASK

Archbishop Sheen
The Quotable Fulton Sheen, 158

“No amount of piety in leisure hours can compensate for slipshod labor on the job. But any honest task, well done, can be turned into prayer.”



SPIRITUALITY OF WAITING

Henri Nouwen
WEAVINGS, Vol. II, # 1

“Waiting is not a very popular attitude. Waiting is not something that people think about with great sympathy. In fact, most people consider waiting a waste of time. Perhaps this is because the culture in which we live is basically saying, ‘Get going! Do something! Show you are able to make a difference! Don’t just sit there and wait!’ For many people, waiting is an awful desert between where they are and where they want to go. And people do not like such a place. They want to get out of it by doing something.”

DEVELOP INTEREST IN OTHERS

Bits & Pieces, Vol. 18, #5

“If you want to be well-liked by others, don’t set out to make yourself liked. You will only be thinking of yourself that way. Instead, develop a sincere and genuine interest in the other person and being liked will follow naturally.”

THE LITTLE EXTRA EFFORT

Words of Champions

“Knut Rockne, of Notre Dame, the greatest coach that ever lived, once said, ‘In any field of endeavor the difference between the good and the great is that voluntary willingness to make the little extra effort that is not demanded by the coach, that little extra which comes from within one’s self.’”

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION

President George Washington, October 3, 1789

WHEREAS, It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor;

WHEREAS, Both the houses of Congress have, by their joint committee, requested me “to recommend to the people of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer, to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many and signal favors of Almighty God, especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness”!

Now, therefore, I do recommend..., to be devoted by the people of these great States to the service of that great and glorious Being who is

the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be, that we may then all unite in rendering unto Him our sincere and humble thanks for His kind care and protection of the people of this country.

STRETCH YOUR VISION

David Schwartz

“Stretch your vision. See what can be, not just what is. Practice adding value to things, to people and to yourself.”

CREATE A LEGACY

Dolly Parton

“If your actions create a legacy that inspires others to dream more, learn more, do more and to become more, then, you are an excellent leader.”

HEART OF GOLD

Florence Myles (adapted)
CATHOLIC DIGEST, Nov. `92

It was Thanksgiving. No delicious smells of turkey roasting, no pies on the sideboard, no festive table setting. The mother had lost her job a few weeks ago and a daughter’s tiny salary went to pay the rent. A son was still in school, and with no father in the home, things looked bleak. The mother was making a stew and had wrapped day-old bread in a paper sack and set it to warming in the oven. When the doorbell rang, the mother panicked. She was proud and didn’t want anyone to know how bad things were.

When she opened the door, there stood Mr. Gold, a door-to-door salesman who kept everyone supplied with household items. ...Now here he stood with his arms full of grocery bags and a shy smile on his face. “Can I come begging to you today? he asked. “Here it is Thanksgiving and I have no place to go and no one to share it with.”

The mother was embarrassed but invited him in and started to explain. But Mr. Gold interrupted her. “Here I have all this food,” he said. “It’s only chicken, but who’s to know?” And he began unpacking the groceries. There was enough for a Thanksgiving feast, from soup to nuts, plus a mincemeat and a pumpkin pie.

Mr. Gold didn’t eat much, but nobody seemed to notice. When he was leaving, he thanked the family for taking such good care of a lonely old man that holiday.



Thanksgiving Blessings!

