"Some of your hurts you have cured, And the Sharpest you still have survived, But what torments of grief you endured From evils, which never arrived!"

Ralph Waldo Emmerson

"It takes a deep commitment to change and an even deeper commitment to grow."

Ralph Ellison

"I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in the direction we are moving: To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor."

Oliver Wendell Holmes

"The achievement of your goal is assured the moment you commit yourself to it."

Mack R. Douglas

"If there is one area of our lives that we have complete control in, it is our thinking. Others may influence our thinking, however we alone can choose to accept that influence. Each day we have a choice to be either be positive in our thinking or negative. To emit positive energy or to emit negative energy is of our choosing."

Andreas Simic

"Desire, ask, believe, receive."

Stella Terrill Mann

"As for courage and will we cannot measure how much of each lies within us, we can only trust there will be sufficient to carry through the trials which may lie ahead."

Andre Norton

"The treacherous, unexplored areas of the world are not in the continents or the seas; they are in the minds and hearts of men."

Allen E. Claxton

"It's your attitude not your altitude that determines how high you go in life."

Zig Ziglar

"Apply yourself. Get all the education you can, then by God, do something, Don't just stand there make it happen."

Lee Iacocca

"I expect to pass through life but once.

If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again."

William Penn

"The game of life is not so much in holding a good hand as playing a poor hand well."

H.T. Leslie

"Most people give up just when they're about to achieve success.

They quit on the one-yard line.

They give up at the last minute of the game one-foot from a winning touchdown."

H. Ross Perot

"Treat people as if they were what they ought to be and you help them become what they are capable of being"

Johann W. Von Goethe

"To be healthy, wealthy, happy and successful in any and all areas of your life you need to be aware that you need to think healthy, wealthy, happy and successful thoughts twenty four hours a day and cancel all negative, destructive, fearful and unhappy thoughts. These two types of thought cannot coexist if you want to share in the abundance that surrounds us all."

Sidney Madwed

"Life is something that happens when you can't get to sleep."

Fran Lebowitz

"...the events of life are mostly small events, they only seem large when we are close to them. By and by they settle down and we see that one doesn't show above another"

Mark Twain

"Believe in yourself! Have faith in your abilities! Without a humble but reasonable confidence in your own powers you cannot be successful or happy."

Norman Vincent Peale

"Guard well those spare moments. They are like uncut diamonds.

Discard them and their value will never be known.

Improve them and they will become the brightest gems in a useful life"

Ralph Waldo Emmerson

"Life isn't about finding yourself."

Life is about creating yourself."

George Bernard Shaw

"There was never yet an uninteresting life. Such a thing is impossibility. Inside of the dullest exterior there is a drama, a comedy, and a tragedy."

Mark Twain

"My mother drew a distinction between achievement and success. She said that 'achievement is the knowledge that you have studied and worked hard and done the best that is in you. Success is being praised by others, and that's nice, too, but not as important or satisfying."

Helen Hayes

"Life is the acceptance of responsibilities or their evasion, it is a business of meeting obligations or avoiding them.

To every man the choice is continually being offered, and by the manner of his choosing you may fairly measure him."

Ben Ames Williams

"You gain strength, courage and confidence by the experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face.

You must do the thing you think you cannot do.

Eleanor Roosevelt

"There are two rules in life: Rule #1: Don't sweat the small stuff. Rule #2: Everything is small stuff."

Finn Taylor

"Life is something that everyone should try at least once."

Henry J. Tillman

"Ideas are like stars, you will not succeed in touching them with your hands, but like the seafaring man on the desert of waters, you choose them as you guides, and, following them you reach your destiny"

Carl Schurz

"We are human beings, not human doings.

Every once in a while we need to stop and smell the roses, hear what is really being said, taste the essence of life, touch someone's heart and see life for what it truly is, a journey with rest areas."

Andreas Simic

"Having once decided to achieve a certain task, achieve it at all costs of tedium and distaste. The gain in self-confidence of having accomplished a tiresome labor is immense."

Thomas Arnold Bennett

"Youth would be an ideal state if it came a little later in life."

Herbert Henry Asquith

"No matter what you've done for yourself or for humanity, if you can't look back on having given love and attention to your own family, what have you really accomplished?"

Elbert Hubbard