

Proverbs and Sayings

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1. The best way to get even is to forget.
2. Feed your faith and your doubts will starve to death.
3. God wants spiritual fruit, not religious nuts.
4. Some folks wear their halos much too tight.
5. Some marriages are made in heaven, but they ALL have to be maintained on earth.
6. Unless you can create the WHOLE universe in 5 days, then perhaps giving HadviceM to God, isn't such a good idea!
7. Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, and faith looks up.
8. Standing in the middle of the road is dangerous. You will get knocked down by the traffic from both directions.
9. Words are windows to the heart.
10. A skeptic is a person who, when he sees the handwriting on the wall, claims it's a forgery.
11. It isn't difficult to make a mountain out of a molehill - just add a little dirt.
12. A successful marriage isn't finding the right person-it's being the right person.
13. The mighty oak tree was once a little nut that held its ground.
14. Too many people offer God prayers, with claw marks all over them.
15. The tongue must be heavy indeed, because so few people can hold it.
16. To forgive is to set the prisoner free, and then discover the prisoner was you.
17. You have to wonder about some humans, they think God is dead and Elvis is alive!
18. It's all right to sit on your Hpity potM every now and again. Just be sure to flush when you are done.
19. You'll notice that a turtle only makes progress when it sticks out its neck.
20. If the grass is greener on the other side of the fence, you can bet the water bill is higher.
21. You are richer today if you have laughed, given, and forgiven.
22. The act is unjustifiable that either begs for a blessing, or, having succeeded gives no thanksgiving.
23. He who comes for the inheritance is often made to pay for the funeral.
24. It is useless to send armies against ideas.
25. He who is obsessed by death is made guilty by it.
26. A civil guest will no more talk all, than eat all the feast.
27. An optimist may see a light where there is none, but why must the pessimist always run to blow it out?
28. No great genius has ever existed without some touch of madness.
29. Clouds come floating into my life, no longer to carry rain or usher storm, but to add color to my sunset sky.
30. Forgotten is forgiven.
31. There is little less trouble in governing a private family than a whole kingdom.
32. The sure conviction that we could if we wanted to is the reason so many good minds are idle.
33. A coward is much more exposed to quarrels than a man of spirit.
34. A cynic is not merely one who reads bitter lessons from the past, he is one who is prematurely disappointed in the future. Life's a bitch, and life's got a lot of sisters.
35. Live out of your imagination, not your history. If you focus on results, you will never change. If you focus on change, you will get results.

36. The eye is the jewel of the body.
37. Ideas too are a life and a world.
38. Tears may be dried up, but the heart C never.
39. Making music should not be left to the professionals.
40. Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards.
41. No government can be long secure without formidable opposition.
42. Being natural is simply a pose.
43. I wasted time, now time doth waste me.
44. Before anything else, preparation is the key to success.
45. A bit of fragrance clings to the hand that gives flowers.
46. Each person's life is lived as a series of conversations.
47. Vision without action is merely a dream;
.....Action without vision just passes the time;
.....Vision with action can change the world.
48. A nickel ain 't worth a dime anymore.
49. What we do for ourselves dies with us, what we do for others will stand forever.
50. You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by worrying over the future.
51. Heading the wrong way? God allows U-turns.
52. Housework doesn't kill. But IMm not going to risk it.
53. Dear God, I have a problem C it's me.
54. Growing old is inevitable, growing UP is optional!
55. There is no key to happiness. The door is always open.
56. Silence is often misinterpreted, but never misquoted.
57. Do the math.. Count Your blessings.
58. Faith is the ability to not panic.
59. Laugh every day, it's like inner jogging.
60. If you worry, you didn't pray. If you pray, don't worry.
61. As a child of God, prayer is kind of like calling home everyday.
62. Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape.
63. The most important things in your home are the people.
64. When we get tangled up in our problems, be still. God wants us to be still so He can untangle the knot.
65. A grudge is a heavy thing to carry.
66. He who dies with the most toys is still dead.
67. We do not remember days, but moments. Life Is moving too fast, so enjoy your precious moments.
68. Nothing is real to you until you experience it, otherwise it's just hearsay.
69. Surviving and living your life successfully requires courage. The goals and dreams you're seeking require courage! and risk taking.
70. Life is uncertain; eat dessert first.
71. Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.
72. He that blesses others with his goodness is not necessarily a good man. He is a BLESSED man!
73. If the map doesn't agree with the ground, the map is wrong.
74. We are what we do.
75. It is difficult to remove by logic an idea not placed there by logic in the first place.
76. The statute of limitations has expired on most of our childhood traumas.
77. Any relationship is under control of the person who cares the least.
78. Feelings follow behavior.
79. Be bold and mighty forces will come to your aid.
80. The perfect is the enemy of the good.
81. LifeMs two most important questions are: Why and why not. The trick is knowing which one to ask.
82. Our greatest strengths are our greatest weaknesses.

83. The most secure prisons are those we construct for ourselves.
84. The problems of the elderly are frequently serious but seldom interesting.
85. Happiness is the ultimate risk.
86. True love is the apple of Eden.
87. Only bad things happen quickly.
88. Not all who wander are lost.
89. Unrequited love is painful but not romantic.
90. There is nothing more pointless or common than doing the same things and expecting different results.
91. We flee from the truth in vain.
92. It's a poor idea to lie to oneself.
93. We are all prone to the myth of the perfect stranger.
94. Love is never lost, not even in death.
95. Nobody likes to be told what to do.
96. The major advantage of illness is that it provides relief from responsibility.
97. We are afraid of the wrong things.
98. Parents have a limited ability to shape children's behavior, except for the worse.
99. The only real paradises are those we have lost.
100. Of all the forms of courage, the ability to laugh is the most profoundly therapeutic.
101. Mental health requires freedom of choice.
102. Forgiveness is a form of letting go, but they are not the same.
103. The happiest people don't have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything.
104. ~ words from an Arabic sage ~
He who knows not, and knows not that he knows not, is a fool. Shun him.
He who knows, and knows not that he knows, is asleep. Wake him.
He who knows not, and knows that he knows not, is simple. Teach him.
He who knows, and knows that he knows, is wise. Follow him.
105. Sooner or later a man who wears two faces forgets which one is real.
106. Make your theology that of Jesus, first and foremost C the theology of a denomination is where the trouble begins.
107. Thought, left you thinking.
108. A silent mouth is sweet to hear.
109. It's not what your future holds, but rather WHO holds your future.
110. Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass ... but about learning how to dance in the rain.
111. The mind that opens to a new idea never returns to its original size. ~ Albert Einstein
112. The best and most beautiful things cannot be seen or touched - they must be felt with the heart ~ Helen Keller
113. Bumper Sticker: Not So Mean Not So Lean. But Still a MARINE!
114. Experience is what you get when you don't get what you want.
115. Grace is God reaching down - Faith is man reaching up.
116. Count your blessings by smiles, not tears. Count your age by friends, not years.
117. There is nothing wrong with doing what is Right.
118. Salvation comes by Mind reformation.
119. Man teaches us What to Think, God Teaches us HOW to Think!
120. Kindness is the language the blind can see and the deaf can hear.
121. The greatest of tyrannies are always perpetrated in the noblest of causes.
122. When the illusion of control disappears, we become men and women of prayer.
123. I'd love to agree with you, but then, we'd both be wrong.
124. Many will be lost because to avoid being deceived they preferred to believe a lie.
125. HThe eye sees only what the mind is prepared to comprehend. M ~ Henri Bergson
126. Don't open your mind so much that your brain falls out.
127. A kind act done under duress is like a fly in the face of God.
28. Last impressions last forever.
129. People will not remember what you did, they will not remember what you said, but they will

always remember the way you made them feel.

130. It's not what we give, but what we share. The gift without the giver is bare; who gives of himself, feeds three: himself, his hungry neighbor and Me.

131. The journey is better than it's end.

132. One doesn't simply explain inspiration to those who aren't inspired. ~ G. M. Hill

133. A wise man's eyes are in his head.

134. Friends are family that you choose.

135. I don't repeat gossip. So, listen carefully the first time.

136. I cannot hold a tune if you put it in a bag and gave it to me.

137. The opinions expressed by the husband of this house are not necessarily those of the manager.

138. There's nothing wrong with me that a little chocolate won't fix.

139. It isn't what we don't know that gives us trouble, it's what we know that ain't so. ~ Will Rogers

140. Life is either a daring adventure or nothing. ~ Helen Keller

141. SW3, Next = Some Will, Some Won't, So What? Next!

142. Let Go, Let God.

143. There is no such thing as teaching; there is only learning.

144. EINSTEIN: When you're courting a nice girl, an hour seems like a second; but you sit on red, hot, cinders; a second seems like an hour. That's relativity.

145. It is nice to be important, but, it is important to be NICE.

146. To be Human is to be beautifully flawed.

147. Hate the Crime; Love the Criminal.

148. You have to do your own growing no matter how tall your grandfather was. (An Irish saying)

149. Better 50 enemies outside the house than one within. (An Irish saying)

150. What's good for the goose is good for the gander. (An Irish saying)

151. Sometimes I laugh so hard my tears run down my leg. (An Irish saying)

152. Now don't be talking about yourself while you're here; we'll surely be doing that after you leave. (An Irish saying)

153. Life is like a cup of tea, it's all how you make it. (An Irish saying)

154. "When a man who is honestly mistaken hears the truth, he will either quit being mistaken or cease to be honest." ~ Abraham Lincoln

155. Get hammered, get nailed.

156. I've learned.... That the best classroom in the world is at the feet of an elderly person.

157. I've learned.... That when you're in love, it shows.

158. I've learned That just one person saying to me, 'You've made my day!' makes my day.

159. I've learned.... That having a child fall asleep in your arms is one of the most peaceful feelings in the world.

160. I've learned.... That being kind is more important than being right.

161. I've learned.... That you should never say no to a gift from a child.

162. I've learned.... That I can always pray for someone when I don't have the strength to help him in any other way.

163. I've learned.... That no matter how serious your life requires you to be, everyone needs a friend to act goofy with.

164. I've learned.... That sometimes all a person needs is a hand to hold and a heart to understand.

165. I've learned.... That simple walks with my father around the block on summer nights when I was a child did wonders for me as an adult.

166. I've learned.... That life is like a roll of toilet paper. The closer it gets to the end, the faster it goes.

167. Those who give from the heart give freely and they have a wonderful feeling.

168. I've learned.... That we should be glad God doesn't give us everything we ask for.

169. I've learned.... That money doesn't buy class.
170. I've learned.... That it's those small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.
171. I've learned... That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.
172. I've learned.... That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.
173. I've learned.... That when you plan to get even with someone, you are only letting that person continue to hurt you.
174. I've learned.... That love, not time, heals all wounds.
175. I've learned.... That the easiest way for me to grow as a person is to surround myself with people smarter than I am.
176. I've learned.... That everyone you meet deserves to be greeted with a smile.
177. I've learned.... That no one is perfect until you fall in love with them.
178. I've learned... That life is tough, but I'm tougher.
179. I've learned.... That opportunities are never lost; someone will take the ones you miss.
180. I've learned.... That when you harbor bitterness, happiness will dock elsewhere.
181. I've learned.... That I wish I could have told my Mom that I love her one more time before she passed away.
182. I've learned.... That one should keep his words both soft and tender, because tomorrow he may have to eat them.
183. I've learned.... That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks.
184. I've learned.... That when your newly born grandchild holds your little finger in his little fist, you're hooked for life.
185. I've learned.... That everyone wants to live on top of the mountain, but all the happiness and growth occurs while you're climbing it.
186. I've learned.... That the less time I have to work with, the more things I get done.
...(All the 'I've Learned...' quotes are from Andy Rooney)
187. Be patient with Patients who are NOT patient.
188. I think women are foolish to pretend that they are equal to men. They are far superior and always have been. - (William Golding)
189. Forgiveness is a gift you give to yourself.
190. A nail that sticks up gets hammered down.
191. RULE 1: Your Wife Is Always Right
RULE 2: If SheMs Not, Refer To RULE 1
192. Humility is the only true wisdom by which we prepare our minds for all the possible changes of life. - George Aliss
193. Humility is not thanking less of yourself; itMs thinking of yourself less. - C.S. Lewis
194. Justice: When you get what you deserve.
Mercy: When you don't get what you deserve.
Grace: When you get what you don't deserve.
195. Be True to your teeth or they will be False to you.
196. I see well enough to get into trouble and I am in trouble most of the time.
197. Be Fishers of Men You catch 'em, He'll clean 'em.
198. A family altar can alter a family.
199. A lot of kneeling will keep you in good standing.
200. Don't put a question mark where God put a period.
201. Don't wait for 6 strong men to take you to church.
202. Exercise daily. Walk with the Lord!
203. Forbidden fruits create many jams.
204. Give God what's right, not what's left!
205. Give Satan an inch and he'll be a ruler.
- 206 God doesn't call the qualified, He qualifies the called.

207. God grades on the cross, not the curve.
208. God promises a safe landing, not a calm passage.
209. Having Truth decay? Brush up on your Bible!
210. He who angers you, controls you!
211. He who is good at making excuses, is seldom good for much else.
212. He who kneels before God, can stand before anyone!
213. Kindness is difficult to give away, because it keeps coming back.
214. Most people want to serve God, but only in an advisory capacity.
215. Never give the devil a ride! He will always want to drive!
216. Nothing ruins the truth like stretching it.
217. Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.
218. "Pray" is a four letter word that you can use anywhere.
219. The Will of God will never take you to where the Grace of God will not protect you.
220. This Church is "Prayer Conditioned"!
221. To be almost saved, is to be totally lost.
222. WARNING: Exposure to the Son may prevent burning!
223. Watch your step carefully! Everyone else does!
224. If we don't change the Message, the Message can change us.
225. We set the sail; God makes the wind.
226. We're too blessed to be depressed. (or stressed!)
227. Worry is the darkroom in which "negatives" are developed.
228. Hint: When facing the Son, you see no shadows.
229. His Glory and Grace = your peace in the "race".
230. God loves to answer knee-mail
231. "Truth is not what I believe. Truth is not even what I know.
Truth is fact. I may not believe it. I may not know it. That does not change it.
It is there nevertheless, waiting to be discovered and believed.

Truth does not depend on the unsettled and changing opinions of men. It was truth before it was believed. It will remain truth, whether it is believed or not.

Reason does not originate or create it. It merely discovers it. Consequently, reason is not a source. Truth goes back beyond reason.

Others would have us believe that the Church is the source or authority, particularly in matters of theology. They are WRONG! The Church is the product of truth.

It does not originate it. It came into being by accepting divine revelations. It is not the source of that revelation. Truth goes beyond the Church, it is antecedent to it."

Carlyle B. Haynes - "When A Man Dies", pg. 9

232. To deny the Spirit of God, which is Graciousness, as seen at Calvary, people will live according to their own interpretation of the Bible.

233. Many will be lost because to avoid being deceived they preferred to believe a lie.

234. Actions speak louder than words.

The pen is mightier than the sword.

235. Look before you leap.

He who hesitates is lost.

236. Many hands make light work.

Too many cooks spoil the broth.

237. Clothes make the man.
Don't judge a book by its cover.

238. Nothing ventured, nothing gained.
Better safe than sorry.

239. The bigger, the better.
The best things come in small packages.

240. Absence makes the heart grow fonder.
Out of sight, out of mind.

241. What will be, will be.
Life is what you make it.

242. Cross your bridges when you come to them.
Forewarned is forearmed.

243. What's good for the goose is good for the gander.
One man's meat is another man's poison.

244. With age comes wisdom.
Out of the mouths of babes come all wise sayings.

245. The more, the merrier.
Two's company; three's a crowd.
Birds of a feather flock together and crap on your car.

246. When I'm feeling down, I like to whistle. It makes the neighbor's dog run to the end of his chain and gag himself.

247. A penny saved is a government oversight.

248. The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.

249. The older you get, the tougher it is to lose weight, because by then your body and your fat have gotten to be really good friends.

250. The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a replacement.

251. He who hesitates is probably right.

252. Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are "XL."

253. If you think there is good in everybody, you haven't met everybody.

254. If you can smile when things go wrong, you have someone in mind to blame.

255. The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble.

256. Did you ever notice: When you put the 2 words "The" and "IRS" together it spells "Theirs."

257. Aging: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

258. The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.

259. Some people try to turn back their odometers. Not me, I want people to know "why" I look this way. I've traveled a long way and some of the roads weren't paved.

260. When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, think of Algebra.

261. Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft
Today, it's called golf

262. Lord, Keep your arm around my shoulder and your hand over my mouth . . . AMEN . . . !!!

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267. A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul. – George Bernard Shaw

288. A liberal is someone who feels a great debt to his fellow man, which debt he proposes to pay off with your money. – G. Gordon Liddy

289. Democracy must be something more than two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner. – James Bovard (1994)

290. Foreign aid might be defined as a transfer from poor people in rich countries to rich people in poor countries. – Douglas Casey (1992)

291. Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys. – P.J. O'Rourke

292. Government is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else. – Frederic Bastia

293. Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it. – Ronald Reagan (1986)
294. I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts. – Will Rogers
295. If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free. --P.J. O'Rourke
296. If you want government to intervene domestically, you're a liberal. If you want government to intervene overseas, you're a conservative. If you want government to intervene everywhere, you're a moderate. If you don't want government to intervene anywhere, you're an extremist. – Joseph Sobran (1995)
297. In general, the art of government consists in taking _____ as much money as possible from one party of the citizens to give to the other. — Voltaire (1764)
298. Just because you do not take an interest in politics doesn't mean politics won't take an interest in you. – Pericles (430 B.C.)
299. No man's life, liberty, or property are safe while the legislature is in session. – Mark Twain (1866)
300. Suppose you were an idiot. And suppose you were a member of Congress. But I repeat myself. – Mark Twain
301. Talk is cheap-except when Congress does it. – Author Unknown
302. The government is like a baby's alimentary canal, with a happy appetite at one end and no responsibility at the other. – Ronald Reagan
303. The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of the blessings. The inherent blessing of socialism is the equal sharing of misery. – Winston Churchill
304. The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin. – Mark Twain
305. The ultimate result of shielding men from the effects of folly is to fill the world with fools. – Herbert Spencer (1891)
305. There is no distinctly native American criminal class save Congress. – Mark Twain
307. There is only one basic human right, the right to do as you please. And with it comes the only basic human duty, the duty to take the consequences. – P.J. O'Rourke (1993)
308. We contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle. – Winston Churchill
309. What this country needs are more unemployed politicians. – Edward Langley O'Rourke
310. The happiest people don't have the best of everything. They just make the BEST of everything.– Anonymous
311. When buying and selling are controlled by legislation, the first things to be bought and sold are legislators. – P.J. O'Rourke (Jack Carey)

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