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worth having

COMES EASY

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Simple Way to Happiness

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*B*eautiful music is the art of prophets. It calms the agitations of the soul.

Let us take a music bath daily, at least for some time. Music is to the soul, what the water bath is to the body.

There is nothing more soothing and more charming than the melodious music of love.

Music restores the forgotten glory of the soul.

Music has the power to heal.

Music Gives...

Soul	to	the	Universe
Wings	to	the	Mind
Flight	to	the	Imagination
Charm	to	the	Life

Person who does not love music
does not know how to love.

Without music, life is a journey through a desert.

Let us do it, But -

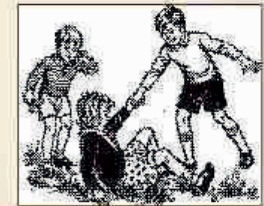
Go to the temple to put flowers upon the feet of GOD,
But -First fill our own house with the fragrance of love...,



Go to the temple to light candles before GOD,
But -First remove the darkness of sin from our heart...



Go to the temple to Pray on bended knees.
But -First bend down to lift Someone who is Downtrodden...



Go to the temple to ask for forgiveness for sins,
But -First forgive from heart those who have sinned and then move on in the life to spread fragrance of happiness.



FLOWER



PETALS



PERFUME

THIS IS SIMPLE WAY TO HAPPINESS



BOOK IS THE
BOUQUET
FULL OF LIFE



Judgement

A professor once, relayed to his class of students a story about a cruise ship that capsized at sea.

On the ship was a couple who, after having made their way to the lifeboat, realized that there was space for only one person left. At that moment, the man pushed the woman behind him and jumped onto the lifeboat himself. The lady stood on the sinking ship and shouted one sentence to her husband. Professor stopped and asked: “What do you think she shouted?”

Most of the students excitedly answered: “I hate you!” “I was blind!” “You are coward.” The teacher noticed a boy who was silent throughout, he got him to answer and he replied:.....

“Sir, I believe she would have shouted – Take care of our child!” Professor was surprised, asking: “Have you heard this story before?” The boy shook his head: “Nope, but that was what my mom told my dad before she died of a terrible disease.”

Professor continued the story. The cruise sunk, the man went home and brought up their daughter single-handedly. After the death of the man, their daughter found his diary. It turns out that when parents went onto the cruise ship, the mother was already diagnosed with terminal illness. At the critical moment, the father rushed to the only chance of survival. He wrote in his diary: “How I wished to sink to the bottom of the ocean with you, but for the sake of our daughter, I can only let you lie below the sea alone. But for sure I will come my dear, after completing our responsibilities.”

The class was completely silent.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

There are many complications behind the good and the evil in the world, which are hard to understand. So instead of focusing on the surface, we should judge others only after proper understanding.

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*When we have the ability to listen to
almost anything without losing
our temper or confidence, then
we are truly **EDUCATED**.*

*May the “**Simple Way to Happiness**”
bring us closer to one another.
from:*

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BUS

A loving couple was travelling in a bus through a mountainous area. They decided to get down mid way, so that they could enjoy the scenery. After the couple got down the bus moved on. The bus had barely moved forward when a huge rock fell on the bus from the mountain and crushed the bus to pieces. Everybody on board was killed.

On seeing this couple said.....

Let us think before we continue reading.

“Birth” was not our choice
“Death” will not be our choice
But yes,
The way we live our life
Between two terminals of
Birth and Death
Is Absolutely Our Choice !

The couple upon seeing the bus crushed said “We wish we were on that bus.”

Why do we think they said so?

Let us check the answer on page No. 4, only after we have tried to come up with our own answer.

BAMBOO TREE

One of the strangest seed in the world is the seed of a Chinese Bamboo Tree. It lies buried in the soil for five years before any seedling or sprout appears above the ground. Think of it! Five years! During all these five years the seed is cultivated; watered and fertilized regularly. Then comes the big surprise.

When the bamboo seedling finally emerges from the ground, it grows to a height of 90 feet in just six weeks. Why does the seedling take so long to emerge? Why does it grow so fast once it emerges? Plant experts say that during its first five years in the soil, the bamboo seed is busy building an elaborate root system that enables the tree to grow 90 feet in six weeks.

Have patience and faith. Keep doing the right things even though the results may not be visible, something is happening. Success requires patience and perseverance.

Everything comes gradually and at its appropriate time.

There is no giant step that does wonders. It is lot of little steps that makes miracle happen.

A HARSH WORD

A woman bought milk, bread and butter from a person who had a fine reputation not only for the quality of products but also for his promptness of delivery. One day when she was expecting guests, he failed to deliver.

On the next day she spoke harshly to him. At the end of her long display of condemnation and anger, he said quietly "I am sorry for the inconvenience caused, but I had the misfortune of burying my mother yesterday."

Ashamed, the woman was determined never to speak harshly to anyone again until she fully understood the cause of the problem.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

There is no venom (poison) as sharp as the
venom of a tongue.

Tongue can kill or nourish life.

Words spoken out of bitterness can cause
irreparable damage.

Kind words do not cost much
Yet they accomplish much.

When we are kind to others, it will not only
change us but it will change the world around us.

Kindness is the language the deaf can hear
and the blind can see.

Answer :- BUS

The couple said “If they had remained on the bus instead of deciding to get down, the resulting time delay could have been avoided and the rock would have fallen after the bus had passed!!!

Let us also think of others. Many times in life, the opposite of Success is not Failure, it is Quitting...

We can look at results or we can have reasons... CHOICE IS OURS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Falling Down



is not
always loosing !!!!

QUOTABLE QUOTES

One moment of patience may ward off a great disaster. One moment of impatience may ruin whole life.

Patience is not an absence of action, rather it is an act on the right time, for the right things in the right way.

It is choice not chance that determines future.

CHILDISH

The train had started moving. It was packed with working men, women and college students. A middle aged man was sitting near the window with his 20 year old son.

As the train moved on, the son overwhelmed with the magnificent scenery almost screamed and said “See Dad, the scenery of lush green trees moving away is a feast to watch. It is simply breathtaking.”

He went on repeating over and over again. At first, the passengers were amused but soon got irritated with his childish repetition. Newly married man whispered to his wife. “This boy appears to be a case fit for mental asylum.”

Suddenly, it started raining. The rain drops fell on the passengers through the open window. Again the twenty year old son excitedly exclaimed “See Dad, how enchantingly beautiful the rain appears to be. The splashing of water is a feast to watch.” The newly wed husband got irritated, when the rain drops started spoiling his wife's new sari.

The husband could not contain himself and angrily said, “Can't you see it is raining?” He told the father “If your son is out of his mind, take him to a mental hospital and do not disturb the passengers by his childish behaviour.”

The father hesitatingly replied in a low tone, “Dear friend, my son and I are returning from the hospital. He

was discharged this morning. He was blind by birth, last week only he got his vision. The rain and nature are new to his eyes. Forgive him for his exuberance.” The husband apologised and asked for forgiveness.

The things we see may be right from our perspective until we know the truth. But when we know the truth, we will regret our reaction. Let us therefore temper our judgement with discretion and remain calm and composed under any circumstances. This will save us from heart burn and avoid an unpleasant situation.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

The true measure of a man is, how he treats someone who can do him absolutely no good and he is in position to degrade him.

Let us be careful
Our each expression
Will leave an impression.

How people treat us is their karma
How we react is our karma.

Never look down on anybody
unless we are helping them up.

If we light a lamp for somebody
It will also brighten our house.

ATTITUDE

Once a young man visited his friend. The host welcomed him and offered him tea. The young man looked at the cup of tea and threw the tea out of the window.

When the host saw this, he asked his friend, “why did you throw the tea?” The young man replied, “There was a fly in the tea.” The host was very embarrassed. He apologized and served another cup of tea.

The young man looked at the tea and again threw out of the window. On inquiring, the young man gave the same reply – “There is a fly in the tea.”

Now the host served the tea for the 3rd time.

Once again the young man threw the tea and gave the same reason – “There is a fly in the tea.”

The host closely observed the young man and replied “Please remove your spectacles and see for yourself. The fly is on your spectacles and not in the tea.”

Many a times, we are faced with a situation as this and we put the blame on others for our problems. Due to stress of the job and the demand of time, people vent out their anger and frustration on others, little realizing that they themselves are responsible for their own problems and unhappiness.

We can change our life greatly by changing our thinking and our habits.

THREE BROTHERS

Once upon a time, three brothers left their own farm to work in the city. They were all hired by the same company at the same pay. Three years later, Jim was being paid Rs. 5000 a month. Frank was being paid Rs. 10000, but George was now making Rs. 15000.

Their father was curious to know about the difference in their salaries and visited the smart employer who said “I will let the boys explain for themselves.”

Jim was summoned to the supervisor’s office and was told “Jim, I understand the Far East importers has just brought in a large transport plane loaded with Japanese import goods. Will you please go over to the airport and get cargo inventory?”

Three minutes later, Jim returned to the office. “The cargo has one thousand bolts of Japanese silk.” Jim reported “I got the information over the telephone from a member of the crew.”

When Jim left, Frank who was paid Rs. 10000 a month was called. “Frank” said the supervisor “I wish you go to the airport and get an inventory of the cargo plane which was just brought in by Far East importers.”

An hour later, Frank was back in the office with a list showing that the plane carried 1000 bolts of Japanese Silk, 500 transistor radios, and 1000 hand painted bamboo trays.

George who was paid Rs. 15000 a month was also given identical instructions. Working hours were over when he finally returned.

“The transport plane carried 1000 bolts of Japanese silk.” He began “It was on sale at sixty dollars a bolt, so I took a two day option on the whole lot. I have E-mailed designers at different places offering the silk at Rs. 7500 per roll and expect to have order tomorrow. I also found five hundred CD player, which I sold over the telephone at a profit of Rs. 500 each. There were a thousand bamboo trays, but they were of poor quality, so I didn't try to do anything with them.”

When George left the office, the employer smiled “You probably noticed” he said “That Jim doesn't do what he's told. Frank does only what he was told, but George works with enthusiasm and more than what is expected.”

The future is full of promise for one who shows the initiative.

No one is brilliant from birth, but it is their hard work which makes them brilliant and lucky.

Opportunities are usually disguised as hard work, so most people do not recognize them.

Let us strive for an excellent hour each day. An excellent life is the sum of many excellent moments.

EGO

Here is the story of a brilliant scientist...

After a lot of practice and efforts, he developed a formula and learned the art of producing a clone of himself. He did it so perfectly that it was impossible to tell the reproduction from the original.

One day while doing his research, he heard that the Angel of Death was searching for him.

In order to remain alive he produced a dozen clones of himself. The reproduction was so good that all of them looked exactly like him.

Now when Angel of death visited him, the scientist stood with the clones. Angel of death was confused as to who amongst the thirteen before him was the original scientist. He left them and returned to heaven, but not for long. As an expert in human nature, the Angel came up with a clever idea.

He addressed to the Scientist present in this crowd of thirteen people, “Sir, you must be a genius to have such perfect reproduction formula of yourself. However, I have discovered a flaw in your work, just one tiny little flaw.” The Scientist amongst this crowd immediately jumped out and shouted “Impossible! where is the flaw?”

“Right here” said the Angel as he picked up the scientist from among the reproductions and carried him off. The whole purpose of the scientist and his formula of

reproduction failed as he could not control his 'EGO'. So he lost his life.

When man's Knowledge and Skill takes him to the top and makes him successful, the three letter word "EGO" can pull him down to earth immediately at its double speed. So don't allow Ego to kill you and your relations with others. Instead; *Kill your ego.*

If GOD is to live in us,
Ego must leave us.

We can alter our life by altering our ego.

Ego has a giant appetite,
the more we feed it,
the hungrier it gets.

A man while walking on the bridge suddenly realized that it was shaking. He prayed for help and saw GOD on another side of the bridge. He asked GOD to help. But GOD did not respond. The man was angry and with great difficulty crossed the bridge, and saw GOD holding broken edges of the bridge...

Trust 'GOD'
'GOD's ways are amazing.

WHERE DOES IT END

A wealthy farmer was once offered all the land he could walk on in a day, but he must return before sundown to the point at which he started. Without wasting time, he started early next morning and started covering ground quickly because he wanted to get as much land as he could before sundown. Even though he was tired, he kept going all afternoon because he didn't want to lose this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to gain more wealth.

Late in the afternoon, he remembered the condition he had to fulfill. He started his return journey keeping an eye on how close he was to sundown. The closer it got to sundown, he pushed himself beyond the point of endurance and he collapsed just when he was inches away from the starting point and died. He was buried and all the land he needed was a small plot. How much land does a man need !

QUOTABLE QUOTES

Peace is more precious
than a
Piece of land.

Greed is like sea water the more you drink, the thirstier you get.

Seek joy in what we give and not in what we get.

The true character and the culture of a person is revealed, if we come to know, how he reacts, when someone disagrees with him or when someone tells 'No' to his request / demand.

ROOT OUT

A wealthy man requested an old scholar, to guide his son in overcoming his bad habits. The scholar took the youth for a stroll through a garden.

Stopping suddenly, he asked the boy to pull out a tiny plant growing there. The youth held the plant between his thumb and forefinger and pulled it out. The old man then asked him to pull out a slightly bigger plant. The youth pulled hard and the plant came out, roots and all. “Now pull out that one,” said the old man pointing to a bush. The boy had to use all his strength to pull it out.

“Now take this one out,” said the old man, indicating a guava tree. The youth grasped the trunk and tried to pull it out. But it would not budge. “It’s impossible,” said the boy, panting. “So it is with bad habits,” said the sage. “When they are young it is easy to pull them out, but when they take hold they cannot be uprooted.”

The session with the old man changed the boy's life.

Don't wait for bad habits to grow in you, drop them while you have control over them, or else they will get control over you.

FRIENDS

When we meet our friends, we hug them and ask with love and enthusiasm “How are you buddy!”

What we do when we meet our parents in the morning?
Do we seek their blessings or hug them or talk with love?

We converse endlessly with enthusiasm with our friends. When our parents talk to us or discuss something, our reply is short and when they discuss little further, there is irritation in our voice and we tend to cut them off.

We chat on internet with our friends for unlimited time. Do we sit and talk with love and enthusiasm with our parents for 10 minutes a day?
Only when we need something, we do talk to our parents.

When we are not well, they are worried and make every effort to help us feel comfortable and bounce back in good health. They nurture us with lots of love and patience.

When our parents are not well, do we have time to give them company or make sure they are comfortable and need any help?

When we went for tuition or extra activities, our parents waited patiently for the activities to get over, so that they could take us back home safely and comfortably.

Do we help our parents by driving them or accompanying them to the store or patiently help them when they need us.

They played with us whatever we liked and they enjoyed with us.

Have we ever played what they liked and still enjoyed with them?

Let us check ourselves. Are we making error. If so, please let us correct ourselves now only. It is never too late. Let us treat parents as our good friends and our life will change for the best.

Let us spend time to talk with our parents, give them love, hold their hands, appreciate what they have done for us. Once in a while, accompany them for a nice dinner or for a holiday or for a family outing. If we love them, let us tell them now, show them in our small gestures, because they are not going to be around forever .

Life is a game of boomrang. Whatever we do will precisely come back to us.

IMPORTANCE OF LIFE

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, he picked up a large empty glass jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the students if the jar was full. They agreed that it was.

The professor then picked up a box of pebbles and dropped them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He then asked the students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with an unanimous “yes.”

The professor then produced two cups of coffee from under the table and poured the entire contents into the jar effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

“Now,” said the professor as the laughter subsided, “I want you to recognize that this jar represents our life. The golf balls are the important things - our family, our children, our health and our favourite passions - and if everything else was lost and only they remained, our life would still be full.”

“The pebbles are the other things that matter like our job, our house and our car.”

The sand is everything else - the small stuff. “If we put the sand into the jar first,” he continued “There will be no room for the pebbles or the golf balls.” The same goes for life. If we spend all our time and energy on the small stuff we will never have room for the things that are important to us.

“Let us pay attention to the things that are critical to our happiness. Play with children. Give time for health. Give time to our spouse. There will always be time to clean the house and fix the disposal. Let us take care of the golf balls first - the things that really matter. Let us set our priorities. The rest is just sand.”

One of the students raised her hand and inquired what the coffee represented. The professor smiled. “I'm glad you asked. It just goes to show that no matter how full our life may seem, there's always a room for a couple of cups of coffee with a friend.”

Most of us miss out on life's big prizes. The Nobel, Oscars, Grammy. But we are all eligible for life's small pleasures. A pat on the back, a kiss on the cheek, a full moon, a great meal, a glorious sunset, a word of appreciation, a surprise gift.

Let us not complain about not getting life's grand awards, instead enjoy its tiny delights. There is plenty for all of us !!!

Let us give genuine love and care to all, even may be for a second, most of the people will make that second last for a life time.

PRAYER

On the banks of river Ganga, a sage was engrossed in a prayer. When he opened his eyes, he saw a small boy sitting next to him with folded hands.

The sage asked the boy “What are you doing.”

The boy replied “I am Praying.”

The sage inquired “Do you know the prayer.”

The Boy curiously inquired “What do you pray.”

The sage replied “I chant Shlokas and Mantras of the scriptures.”

The child innocently replied “Your prayer does not have more than 26 letters of the alphabets. You say arranged words whereas I chant alphabets and tell GOD to arrange them.”

The sage was touched by the child's divinity and innocence, for he genuinely prayed from his heart.

Verbal repetition may be a part of prayer, but pouring our heart out is a divine prayer. Asking worldly pleasures may be a part of prayer, but seeking divinity is prayer.

Having trust in GOD will not make the mountain small, but it will make climbing easier.

DISCIPLE

When the great Sufi Saint HASAN was dying, somebody asked “Hasan, who was your master?” He said “I had thousands of masters. If I just relate their names it will take months, years and it is too late. But I will certainly tell you about two masters.”

One was a thief. Once I got lost in the desert and when I reached a village it was very late, everything was closed. But at last I found one man who was trying to make a hole in the wall of a house. I asked him where I could find an accommodation and he said. “At this time of night it will be difficult, but you can stay with me, if you can stay with a thief” He was telling me the truth. I stayed for one month! And each night he would tell me “Now I am going to my work. You rest and pray.” Upon his return, I would enquire “Could you get anything?” He would say, “Not tonight. But tomorrow I will try again, GOD willing tomorrow it is going to happen.” He was never in a state of hopelessness, he was always happy. When I was meditating and meditating for years and when nothing was happening, many times a moment came, I was so desperate, so hopeless, that I thought to stop all this and I would recall the words of the thief who would say every night, “GOD willing tomorrow it is going to happen.” These words gave me hope and encouraged me.

And the second master was a small child. I entered a town and a child was carrying a lit candle. He was going to the mosque to put the candle there. Jokingly, I asked the boy, “Have you lit the candle yourself?” He said “Yes sir.” And then I asked, “There was a moment when the candle was

unlit and there was a moment when the candle was lit. Can you show me the source from which the light came?" And the boy laughed, blew out the candle and said "Now you have seen the light going. Where has it gone? Can you tell me." My ego was punctured, my whole knowledge was shattered. And that moment I felt my own stupidity.

I accepted the whole existence as my master. My discipleship was an involvement with whole existence. I trusted the clouds, the trees. I had millions of masters I learned from every possible source. To be a disciple is a must on the path. What does it mean to be a disciple? It means to be able to learn and to be willing to learn from all.

"Let Noble Thoughts come to us from all the directions"

Learning is like eating food.

It is not how much we eat that matters.

What counts is how much we digest.

Life is a continuous learning process.

Three lessons to learn from a pencil.

Everything we do leaves a mark.

Pains always sharpen our strength.

Important is what is inside us not outside.

Let us not go on searching for the path all our life.

Let us take our first step and then we will see the path lying just in front of us.

FOCUS

One of the most memorable case studies on International management was the case of the empty soapbox, in one of the biggest cosmetics companies. The company received a complaint that a consumer had bought a soapbox which was found empty. Immediately the authorities isolated the problem to the assembly line. For some reason, one soapbox went through the assembly line empty. Management asked its engineers to solve the problem. The complaint should not come again. Post-haste, the engineers worked hard to devise an X-ray machine, with high-resolution monitors, supervised by two people, to watch all the soapboxes that passed through the line and make sure they were not empty.

No doubt, they worked hard and they worked fast but they spent a very huge amount to do so.

But when a company in a developing country was posed with the same problem, they did not get into complications of X-rays etc., but instead came out with a simple solution. They bought a strong industrial electric fan and pointed it at the assembly line. When a soapbox passed the fan, it was blown out of the line.

Don't find faults. Find remedy

Let us focus on solutions and not on problems.

LOVE

The Solomon Islands are the third largest group of islands in the Pacific Ocean. They have a rich culture which observes many traditional and ancient customs.

The villagers in tribal area employ a unique technique to remove weeds that are in the their way, when they want to remove useless weeds. Rather than using an axe or burning it, they resort to a seemingly strange technique. All the villagers will gather around the weeds and start abusing it verbally. Amazingly in a short spell of time, the weeds withers away on its own.

Film “Taare Zameen Par” illustrates this concept as well. The film maker has made an extraordinary attempt to show that when we keep on mistreating or abusing any living being, it can cause a highly detrimental influence. Words have power to inspire and stimulate or destroy and demoralise an individual.

“Taare Zameen Par” tells the story of a child suffering from dyslexia. In medical terms, dyslexia is not a disease but rather a disorder. The child does not understand certain words and he finds difficulty while writing and calculating. This problem is commonly seen, not as a learning disability but rather laziness or stupidity.

However, individuals with dyslexia are neither retarded nor mentally challenged. But there is a lot of difference between their intellect and typical academic performance and therefore people do not understand them.

The young child suffering from dyslexia is treated rather harshly by his father, and his mother reluctantly joins her husband in sending him to a boarding school. In the school, he is abused and humiliated by the teachers and the students.

This treatment has such a negative impact on the mind of this child that he goes into depression. However, a young teacher who had suffered from a similar problem in his own youth, realizes the cause of depression and gives him special coaching. He recognizes the hidden potential of this child in painting and encourages him to pursue his interest further. Ultimately the child is a winner in a painting competition in the presence of hundreds of students.

As is seen in the case of the villagers destroying the weeds through words, our words and attitude go much further in their effect than we can estimate. But the converse is also true. As seen in the example of the loving teacher, the therapy of love, care, understanding and encouragement will reduce the negative impact on a person and lift him to an amazing heights.

Love will change the world for the best.

INFINITE CAPACITY

A famous dancer was to perform but she suddenly fell ill that day. The show was a sell-out; the audience waited anxiously for the show to begin. The anchor announced, “Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to the performance. The bad news is that the famous dancer is unwell, so she cannot perform. The good news is that another artist, who is not famous, but she is a brilliant performer, will dance instead.”

The audience was obviously disappointed. The new artist gave a wonderful performance. Yet no one applauded. Her little son from the sidelines ran to the mike and exclaimed loudly: “Mommmyyyyy, your performance was great! I love you!” Overwhelmed, the audience joined the little boy in a deafening applause.

Each one of us is a wonderful being. Encouragement will bring forth hidden talent and immense capacity in an individual.

Telling others constantly that they are useless, stupid and unimaginative only destroys any possibility of their improvement. But if we were to be encouraging and generous with praise, chances are we would make others realize their potential.

Encouragement involves a little loving effort, which will result in a very big difference in the life of others.

A word of encouragement during a failure is worth more than an hour of praise after success.

HAPPY RECIPE

“People are as happy as they decide to be.”

Rama's mother Kaushalya was very happy for her son was crowned heir to the throne of Ayodhya. On seeing this, Ram said to her. “Then how much happier will you be to know that I have been made king already?” When Kaushalya expressed surprise, Ram explained to her that his father had given him the kingdom of jungles. “As king of Ayodhya I would have been a thing on display. Now I will be a free bird in jungle enjoying life in nature, whereas the burden to rule Ayodhya will be on Bharat.”

It is not the behaviour or attitude of others towards us that is important, but how we perceive and receive them is important.

Happiness and sadness are the internal state of a mind. They do not depend on outer worldly circumstances. Life is 10% of what happens to us and 90% is how we react to it.

Happiness doesn't come from
doing what we like to do
But
From liking what we have to do.

JUDGEMENT

There was an old man in a village, who had a beautiful white horse. Even the king was jealous of him. The king offered a fabulous prize for the horse, but the man would say “This horse is not a horse to me, he is a friend. And how can you sell a friend?” The man never sold the horse.

One morning he found that the horse was not in the stable. The whole village gathered and said, “You foolish old man! We knew that someday the horse would be stolen. It would have been better to sell it. What a misfortune!”

The old man said, “Don't go so far as to say that. Simply say that the horse is not in the stable. This is a fact everything else is judgement. Whether it is a misfortune or a blessing I don't know. Who knows what is going to follow?”

People laughed at the old man. But after fifteen days, suddenly one night the horse returned. He had not been stolen, he had strayed into the jungle. Not only he returned but he had also brought a dozen wild horses with him.

Again the people gathered and they said, “Old man you were right. This was not a misfortune, it has indeed proved to be a blessing.”

The old man said “Again you are going too far. Just say that the horse is back... Who knows whether it is a blessing or not? When we have read just a single

sentence – how can we judge the whole book?”

This time the people could not say much, but inside they knew that he was wrong. Twelve beautiful horses had come. What a fortune.

The old man had an only son who started training the horses. Just a week later, he fell from the horse and his legs were broken. The people gathered again and again they judged. They said, “Again you proved right! It is a misfortune. Your only son is badly injured and in your old age he is your only support.”

The old man said, “You are obsessed with judgement. Don't go that far. Say only that my son is injured.”

It happened that after a few weeks the country went to war and all the young men of the town were forcibly taken for the military. Only the old man's son was left because he was injured. The whole town was crying and weeping, because it was a losing fight and they knew that most of the young people would never come back. They came to the old man and they said “You were right old man – this has proved a blessing. Your son is injured but he is still with you. Our sons are gone forever.”

The old man said again, “You go on and on judging. Only say this, that your sons have been forced to enter the army and my son has not been forced. But only GOD knows whether it is a blessing or a misfortune.”

Do not judge, otherwise we will never become one with

GOD. With small things we will jump to conclusions. Mind always wants judgement. Judgement means a stale state of mind. We are all playing assumption game.

In fact the journey never ends. One path ends, another begins; one door closes, another opens. We reach a peak; a higher peak is always there. Let us simply stay in the flow of life. Let us live in the moment and give our best.

QUOTABLE QUOTES

Two people can look at the exact same thing and see something totally different.

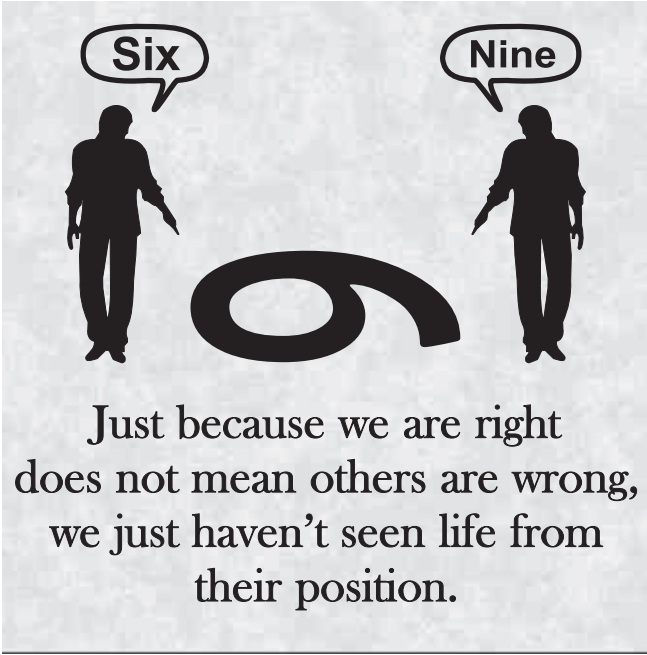
If we judge people, we have no time to love them.

We see the world not the way it is, but the way we are.

Let us look for the positive in every person and every situation.

When we choose not to focus on what is missing from our lives but are grateful for the abundance that's present..... we experience heaven on earth."

Everything in life has a beautiful ending. If it is not beautiful, then be sure it is still not ending.... "It is just the beginning."



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An old man was planting a mango sapling near his house. A group of young boys were passing by. On seeing this, they mocked at the old man and remarked “Uncle, this mango sapling will take years to grow into a tree and bear the fruits.”

The old man smiled and said “I understand and I may not be around to reap its fruits but you can enjoy its fruits.”

The old man pointed at the mango tree near his house and remarked “This tree was planted by my grand father and today I am reaping its fruit. The mangoes that you are enjoying today were planted by your grand father.”

QUOTABLE QUOTES

The future depends on what we do in the present.

The best time to plant a tree was twenty years ago.
The second best time is now.

If we have vision for tomorrow, we will feed power and strength in our today.

If an egg is broken with outside force, a life ends. But if it breaks from within, a life begins.
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