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'THANK GOD
CHRIST WASN'T KILLED
FIFTY YEARS AGO,
BECAUSE
EVERYONE WOULD BE
WALKING AROUND
WITH LITTLE
ELECTRIC CHAIRS
AROUND
THEIR NECKS'

[LENNY BRUCE]

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NOR
CAST A SHADOW
BETWEEN
YOURSELF
AND ALLAH

[KORAN]

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ST. ISAAC THE SYRIAN SAID:

HE WHO
HAS BEEN ABLE
TO SEE HIMSELF
AS HE IS
IS BETTER
THAN HE
WHO HAS BEEN ABLE
TO SEE THE ANGELS

[PHILOLCALIA]

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GOD CONSCIOUSNESS
CANNOT BE ATTAINED
BY A MIND THAT IS
HESITANT,
HYPOCRITICAL,
EVASIVE,
CALCULATING,
REACTIONARY,
ARGUMENTATIVE,
PARTIAL,
TRICKY OR TWISTED
IN ANY WAY.

[RAMAKRISHNA]

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The devil keeps hammering his subtle persuasion until the learned man becomes convinced that he should set about teaching people. Then the devil intimates to the scholar, "you should embellish your thoughts with pretty language and impressive conceits. Also play up your qualifications. Otherwise your words won't have much effect; they won't reach people's hearts and they will not succeed in attaining the truth."

[AL - GHAZZALI]

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'WE SOUGHT
SOLOMON'S RING
IN ALL THINGS...
WE FOUND IT
IN SPIRITUAL POVERTY,
AND THERE
WE FOUND REPOSE.
NOTHING WAS SO
PLEASING AS THIS.'

[RUMI]

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NO ONE
CAN REPENT
UNTIL
GOD GIVES HIM
THE POWER

[RABIA]

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WHEN THE MIND
IS WEIGHTED-DOWN
BY THE THINGS
IT HAS GATHERED,
THE HEART
WITHERS.

[KRISHNAMURTI]

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ONE'S BRAIN
IS SO ACCUSTOMED
TO CONFLICT
THAT ONE REJECTS
ANY OTHER
FORM OF LIVING

[KRISHNAMURTI]

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AND NO
HUMAN BEING
CAN DIE
SAVE BY
GOD'S LEAVE,
AT A TERM
PRE-ORDAINED

[KORAN]

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MESSAGE TO THE DEVIL: You're very clever you weak little devil. You grab at anything that will help you make an impression, so you tried to grab the Work. Power over others is really what you wanted in order to maintain your as if existence. Frightened little devil you must continually try to fool them all. Tell them they don't remember, tell them they have no respect, tell them they lie, make them guilty guilty, crush them, yell at them, show them how to be ruthless just like you. You are an evil little devil. But now the Work has stuck in your throat and you can no longer spit it out. The Work caught you at your own game.

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Concentrate
upon spirituality
as you will.
It will shun you
if you are unworthy.
Write about it, comment
upon it. It will decline to
benefit you; it will flee.
But, if it sees your
concentration,
it may come to your hand
Like a trained bird.
Like a peacock,
it will not sit in an
unworthy place.

[RUMI]

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EXERCISE GENEROSITY NOT AS A VIRTUE BUT AS A CORRECTIVE

[GURDGIEFF]

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THE GERMANS,
LIKE THE RUSSIANS,
TAKE GOOD-WILL
FOR WEAKNESS,
TOLERANCE
FOR INEFFECTIVENESS.

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REB MENDEL
SAID ONCE
TO HIS FOLLOWERS:

I WANT YOU TO
ABSTAIN FROM SIN,
NOT BECAUSE IT IS
FORBIDDEN TO SIN,
BUT SIMPLY
FOR LACK OF TIME.

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How many
have been lured
into destruction
by being well treated,
have been misled
by being protected,
have been seduced
by being well spoken of!
God the glorified
tries no one
with a trial like
fulfillment.

[HADRAT 'ALI]

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He who walks in the way of God is distinguished by five things:

- 1) He is free from anxiety about his daily needs.
- 2) Everything he does is done for the glory of God.
- He struggles constantly with his weaknesses and negative feelings.
- 4) He strives to remember himself always and in everything.
- 5) He remembers that he is mortal and may die at any moment.

[GURDJIEFF]

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YOU CAN'T MOVE A MOUNTAIN WITH WIND

[ARAFAT]

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WHAT'S MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN USEFUL

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YOUR IDEA
OF GOD
IS
COCK-EYED

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FEAR KNOWS NO SHAME