

A Moments Wisdom 2008

Forgiveness takes over when earthly perfection ends.

The only perfect people are those whom God has forgiven.

Blessed is the man who has some congenial work, some occupation in which he can put his heart, and which affords a complete outlet to all the forces there are in him.

To find one's work is to find one's place in the world.

It is better to undertake a large task and get it half-done than to undertake nothing and get it all done.

We never know the worth of water till the well is dry.

Man is always inclined to be intolerant toward the thing, or person, he hasn't taken time adequately to understand.

Love that doesn't understand the language of sacrifice is not love.

The first screw that comes loose in the head is usually the one that controls the tongue.

If Christ is kept outside, there must be something wrong inside.

Be patient with the faults of others; they have to be patient with yours.

The length of one's life is of less importance than its breadth and depth.

Any dead fish can float down stream, but it takes a live one to swim upstream.

Too many people study their neighbor's faults more closely than their Bibles.

Hammering hardens steel, but it crumbles putty.

When a little bird tells you something, make sure that bird was not a cuckoo.

Many parents are not on spanking terms with their children.

He who talks without thinking runs more risks than he who thinks without talking.

Those who complain about the way the ball bounces are often the ones who dropped it.

The only race that some Christians engage in is the race to the door at the last amen.

A sharp tongue does not necessarily indicate keen thinking.

The most dangerous stumbling blocks are those under our hats.

So you say are just as good as half the folks in the church? Well yes, but which half?

Courtesy is said to be contagious, and what we need is a good epidemic.

Some folks aren't interested in anything unless it is none of their business.

If revenge is so sweet, why does it leave such a bitter taste?

It is better to have a bad breath than a sour disposition.

A modern bathing suit is the difference between not very much and nothing at all.

A lie may take care of the present, but it has no future.

The biggest objection to the school of experience is that one never graduates.

Easy street and the straight and narrow path do not intersect.

Christians should be humbly grateful instead of grumbly hateful.

An immoral man is dangerous whether he is armed with a gun — or with a Bible.

God does not promise “loaves” to “loafers.”

No amount of riches can atone for poverty of character.

No man is strong enough to carry a grudge all of his life.

You don't need references in order to borrow trouble.

Since a man always lives with himself, he should be sure that he has good company.

In order to increase in faith, you must grow in knowledge of God's Word.

What you are going to be tomorrow, you are becoming today.

You cannot keep your shoes shined if you continually walk in the mud.

The Devil is willing for a man to preach the truth as long as he doesn't practice it.

Tact is the ability to close your mouth before somebody else wants to.

Bad habits are like a comfortable bed; easy to get into, but hard to get out of.

By the way some people talk, one would infer that they really enjoy poor health.

The Devil is an artist. He paints sin in very attractive colors.

Only he can truly teach who is himself teachable.

The abundant life too often is smothered in the abundance of things.

No power on earth or under the earth can make a man do wrong without his consent.

Circumstances don't make a man; they serve him.

There is no free tuition in the school of experience.

A God-forsaken man is a man who has forsaken God.

Nothing will ever be attempted if all possible objections must first be removed.

Great ability without discretion usually comes to a tragic end.

God brings men into deep waters not to drown them, but to cleanse them.

When one teaches, two learn.

People always get into trouble when they think they can handle life without God.

Success is not an accident — it is hard earned.

To take the wind out of an angry man's sails, stay calm.
Share your faith with others but keep your doubts to yourself.
The caliber and color of a lie do not change its real character.
If you think too little, very likely you will talk too much.
If so many people were not so glad to carry it, gossip wouldn't travel so fast.
Let us live each day as though the Lord were coming for us that night.
Try Jesus. If you don't like Him, the Devil will take you back.
Every saint has a past; every sinner has a future.
Lord, keep your arm around my shoulders and your hand across my mouth.
Eternity: will that be smoking or non-smoking?
A Bible that's falling apart often belongs to someone who isn't.
When things go wrong, don't go wrong with them.
One little word can save you a lot of trouble: it's "no."
Dust on your Bible can lead to dirt in your life.
Do some math; count your blessings.
"Stop, drop, and roll" won't work in hell.
Judging others leaves little time to love them.
Swallow your pride; it contains no calories.
For a healthy heart, exercise your faith.
Tomorrow's forecast: God reigns and the Son shines.
A Christian cannot be a blank. He is either a blessing or a blot.
What a man possesses is not nearly as important as what possesses him.
Two people cannot hate each other if they both love God.
It's what we learn after we know it all that really counts.
He who stands high in his own estimation is still a long way from the top.
When it comes to giving, some people stop at nothing.
Godly talk does not always imply a godly walk, but it should.
Keep both feet on the ground and you won't have far to fall.
No one knows of your honesty and sincerity unless you give out some samples.
The devil is never too busy to rock the cradle of a sleeping saint.
If you aren't big enough for criticism, you are really too small for praise.

Some folks look ahead, some look back, but most folks look confused.
Children are innocent and love justice, while most adults are wicked and prefer mercy.
We evaluate our friends with justice, but we want them to evaluate us with compassion.
Men do not reject the Bible because it contradicts itself, but because it contradicts them.
The Bible is for our information and our transformation.
Many people enjoy the shade but only a few people are willing to rake the leaves.
Money may talk, but it does not give itself away.
If you are too busy for God, you are busier than God wants you to be.
We overcome our deficiencies by taking unto ourselves the excellences of Christ.
Some men prefer to grind their ax than to bury the hatchet.
Be what you want other people to be, but beat them to it.
If a sermon pricks your conscience, it has some good points.
The more love we give away, the more we have.
Kindness is the language the deaf can hear and the dumb can understand.
Happiness is a by-product of goodness.
The Bread of Life never becomes stale.
We rise by the things we put under our feet.
Christianity must function or it will fizzle.
Fooling with sin is only indulged in by fools.
The sunlight of love will kill the germs of jealousy and hate.
Leisure is a beautiful garment, but it will not do for constant wear.
Habit is either the best of servants or the worst of masters.
The world owes you a living only when you have earned it.
It is a short road to some people's wit's end.
The best way for a person to have happy thoughts is to count his blessings and not his cash.
The little oil of courtesy will save a lot of friction.
No one is ever too old to learn, but many people just keep putting it off.
Pray to God but continue to row to the shore.
God does not want your cleverness -- or your ignorance.
Men to whom God is dead worship one another.

God is not a cosmic bellboy for whom we can press a button to get things.
Have courage for the great sorrows of life, and patience for the small ones. And when you have laboriously accomplished your daily task, go to sleep in peace. God is awake.
God doesn't have to put His name on a label in the corner of a meadow because nobody else makes meadows.
Man is born broken. He lives by mending. The grace of God is glue
God's gifts put man's best dreams to shame.
God does not measure our prayers, but he weighs them.
It is easier to find and learn God's will than it is to do it.
Christ is not against men making money, but against money making men.
Genuine faith is assuring, insuring, and enduring.”
Criticizing another's garden does not keep the weeds out of your own.
Praise of self is good only if and when it comes from another's mouth.
If everyone swept in front of his house, the whole town would be clean.
A belief is not merely an idea the mind possesses; it is an idea that possesses the mind.
The height of your accomplishment will equal the depth of your convictions.
They conquer who believe they can.
The power of a waterfall is nothing but a lot of drips working together.
The world is moved not only by the mighty shoves of the heroes but also by the aggregate of tiny pushes of each honest worker.
Snowflakes are one of nature's most fragile things, but just look at what they can do when they stick together.
Even quick thinkers should be slow to speak.
The surest steps to happiness are the steps that lead toward God.
There is more hope for a self-confessed sinner than a self-conceited saint.
A man is known by the company he keeps — and keeps out of.
To be true to God, one must be true to God's Word.
You may betray Christ by your speech — or by your silence.
Choice, not chance, determines man's destiny.
We should be channels of blessings, not mere reservoirs.
A half-hearted follower of Christ can never render whole-hearted service.

Your reputation is valuable, but your character should be priceless.
Satan doesn't care how we worship as long as we do not worship as God says.
If things don't seem to be going your way, perhaps you are on the wrong road.
Loyalty to kinship or friendship is not necessarily loyalty to truth.
The heart cannot be pure when the tongue is unclean.
Doubt sees the obstacles, but faith sees the way.
Action is the true test of faith.
To admit I was wrong is but to say that I am wiser today than I was yesterday.
The best thing for gray hair is a sensible head.
It is the quality of marriage not marriage itself that brings happiness."
Sickness which contributes to the health of the soul is good.
Poverty that increases our eternal riches is kind.
A person who knows everything has a lot to learn.
God looks most where man looks least — at the heart.
One is indeed foolish who increases his speed after he loses his way.
Those who think it is permissible to tell white lies will soon grow colorblind.
Doing an injury puts you below your enemy; revenging one makes you even with him;
forgiving him sets you above him.
The man who toots his own horn soon has everyone dodging when he approaches.
A good leader is someone who takes more than his share of the blame and a little less
than his share of the credit.
Having problems is not so bad. There is a special place reserved for people who are
problem-free. It is called the cemetery.
I thank Thee, O Lord, that Thou has so set eternity within my heart that no earthly thing
can ever satisfy me wholly.
Tolerance of evil is a dangerous error, for no one is free to behave just as he pleases.
He who neglects to drink of the spring of experience is apt to die of thirst in the desert of
ignorance.
Unless we are willing to help a person overcome his faults, there is little value in
pointing them out.
No one on his own deathbed ever repents of having been a Christian.

What you do for self will soon be forgotten, but what you do for others will be long remembered.

One who sets out a seedling has others besides himself in mind.

The Good Samaritan didn't wait for the media to arrive before he did his thing.

One never loses what he gives away when there is love in the giving.

There is a difference between charity and giving away what you no longer want.

He whose goal is to please his audience usually fails God, and he who pleases God cannot please all his audience.

Prayer digs the channel from the reservoir of God's boundless resources to the tiny pools of our lives.

The big jobs of tomorrow are for the man who is doing today's small jobs as best as he can.

A small house can hold as much happiness as a big one.

The child's first school is the family.

Mothers write on the hearts of their children what the world's rough hand cannot erase.

Success is sweet, but its secret is sweat.

You don't get much done by starting tomorrow.

As long as we are sure of the crown, we will not become weary of the cross.

Although the price of wheat and oats rise and fall, the price of sin remains high.

The ignorance of ignorance is the death of knowledge.

Too many people think service means 'serve us'.

Two great tests of character are wealth and poverty.

The clenched fist is not attached to the arm of love.

A true friend is one who comes in when others go out.

To repent of sin is divine, but to continue in sin is devilish.

Self-praise is no recommendation.

If we don't crucify the love of the world, the love of the world will crucify us.

When there is much drinking, there is little thinking.

Some family trees produce a variety of nuts.

The liquor peddler loves the drunkard, but not as a son-in-law.

The true Christian will sift facts from rumors, and he will stand with facts.

May we never climb so high in our own estimation that we lose sight of the way to heaven.

People seldom become famous for what they say until after they are famous for what they do.

It is curious that physical courage should be so common in the world and moral courage so rare.

When death knocks, you will come as you are.

Haste is engaged to save minutes, usually after hours have been wasted.

It is not enough to do good; one must do it the right way.

You have not converted a man merely because you have silenced him.

Many people fret because they must do without what their parents never had.

Money can fill a man's billfold, but it can't fill his spirit.

Unbelief in the face of evidence is either stupidity or sin.

A man who has only money is poor indeed.

A stab of conscience is the most painful wound in the world.

Those who give most are least concerned about returns.

One is not truly living unless he is living for others.

Persons are to be loved; things are to be used.

Prosperity is not a proper scale; adversity is the only balance to weigh friends.

Hasty decisions often bring lifelong regrets.

A man who is 'half drunk' is only "half sober.

No child of God is fully clothed unless he is clothed with humility.

If you trim yourself to suit everybody, you will soon whittle yourself away.

If there is true righteousness in the heart, there will be beauty in the character.

Shadows are proof of a shining sun.

He who is a Christian in little things is not little.

It takes a lot of courage to say, "Get behind me Satan!" and mean it.

A lot of happiness is overlooked because it doesn't cost anything.

Every noble acquisition is attended with its risks; he who fears to encounter the one must not expect to obtain the other.

Settle one difficulty and you keep a hundred others away.

When a man starts throwing dirt, you can be sure he is losing ground.

Once time has been killed, it cannot be resurrected.

Just because a sheep bleats a lot does not mean he produces a lot of wool.

Fewer wants, not greater wealth, will bring contentment.

You had better prepare for eternity. You will be there a long time.

Blessed is the man who, having nothing to say, abstains from giving us wordy evidence of the fact.

A determined soul will do more with a rusty monkey-wrench than a loafer will accomplish with all the tools in a machine shop.

The average man's idea of a good sermon is one that goes over his head and hits his neighbors.

The sermon will be better if you listen as a Christian rather than as a critic.

God puts the church in the world, but Satan puts the world in the church.

To grow tall spiritually, a man must first learn to kneel.

Revenge is sort of like biting a dog because the dog bit you.

Even folks on the level will have their ups and downs.

Looking ahead is a good way to keep from falling behind.

Man's noblest efforts, without Christ, is only dust building on dust.

Even though the outlook is sometimes dark, the uplook is always bright.

God encourages men to be upright, but Satan urges men to be lowdown.

Small deeds done are better than great deeds planned.

He who neglects the present moment throws away all the time he has.

You cannot straighten out a snake or sin, except by killing it.

Proper cross-bearing ends in victorious crown wearing.

A Bible in the hand is worth more than two on the shelf.

People who run into debt usually have to crawl out.

No one ever graduates from Bible study until he meets the Author face to face.

Sometimes silence is not golden but yellow.

It is easy to see the faults of children — IF they belong to someone else.

Before you try your hand at something, make sure you try your brain.

If you help someone up the hill, you will find yourself closer to the top.

Contentment comes, not so much from great wealth, as from few wants.

Patience is not passive; on the contrary, it is active; it is concentrated strength.

There is no such thing as preaching patience into people unless the sermon is so long they have to practice it while they hear.

A handful of patience is worth more than a bushel of brains.

Christianity that is shared is Christianity that is convincing.

Many of us who profess to be Christians are so busy with the mechanics of our religion that we have no time left for the spiritual part of it.

Church membership does not make a Christian any more than owning a piano makes a musician.

We should pray more for a change in character than in circumstances.

Before we forget the lost, we had better count the cost.

Life's greatest challenge is not being a man's man, but in being God's man.

If no one would listen, no one would gossip.

Others may destroy your reputation, but only you can destroy your character.

Salvation is free, but it is not cheap.

The man who has to eat his own words never asks for another serving.

You made your bed, now lie in it. You can lie there and complain about the fleas, or you can get up and change the sheets.

Not everyone gets to do great deeds in this world, but everyone can do little things with great love.

It is easier to say what you think than to tell what you know.

Sin will cause the cup of joy to spring a leak.

The world crowns success, but God crowns faithfulness.

If one does not respect the person he sees in the mirror, will not respect others.

Unless you stay humble, you will stumble.

Strength of character may be acquired at work, but beauty

We need faith that will not worry or whine but watch and wait.

It's strange, but a big head is the sign of a small man.

It is much harder to stamp out half a truth than a whole lie.

He who has no vision of eternity has no hold on time.

When you choose the lesser of two evils, always remember that it is still an evil.

Although a rumor has no legs it travels very fast.

You cannot walk with God while you are running with the devil.

A word of wisdom: Make friends before you need them.

Anger is momentary madness, so control your passion or it will control you.

To pity distress is human; to relieve it is godly.

A pessimist is one who feels bad when he feels good for fear he'll feel worse when he feels better.

We cannot expect our children to grow up a godly seed if there is no family prayer.

The soul would have no rainbow had the eye no tears.

If we ever forget that we are one nation under God, then we will be a nation gone under.

If you are not prepared to live, you are not prepared to die.

They are no friends of Christ and his disciples, who make lawful that which God has not made so.

Enthusiasm should prompt both action and accuracy.

Charity should begin but never end at home.

Common courtesy should be more common.

We do not need better methods and better funding; we need better men.

It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness.

A pessimist is a man who thinks everybody is as nasty as himself, and hates them for it.

God must love plain people; He made so many of them.

When arguing with a fool, be certain he is not similarly engaged.