

Thoughts
on
Thinking
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James Allen () said: "All that man achieves, and all that he fails to achieve is a direct result of his thoughts."

Henri-Frederic Amiel (1828-1881) said: "Action is but coarsened thought - thought become concrete, obscure, and unconscious."

Marcus Aurelius (A.D. 121-180) said: "Our life is what our thoughts make it."

Henri Frederic Amiel (1821-1881) said: "Action and faith enslave thought, both of them in order not to be troubled or inconvenienced by reflection, criticism, and doubt."

Is it so small a thing
To have enjoyed the sun,
To have lived light in the spring,
To have loved, to have thought, to have Done?
(Matthew Arnold (1822-1888) - Empedocles on Etna)

Marcus Aurelius Antoninus (121-180) said: "The universe is transformation; our life is what our thoughts make it."

Francis Bacon (1561-1626) said: "Write down the thoughts of the moment. Those that come unsought for are commonly the most valuable."

The Bible (KJV) says: "For as he (man) thinketh in his heart, so is he..." (Prov 23:7)

V. Bloodworth () said: "Everything is the result of thought. Before anything material can exist, it must be in the mind of the person creating it."

John Mason Brown () said: "What a man is the basis of what he dreams and thinks, accepts and rejects, feels and perceives."

Lucas Cleeve () said: "For God's sake don't let us think. If we did, there would be an end to society."

Rene Descartes (1596-1650) said: "I think, therefore I am."

Will Durant () said: "The great snare of thought is uncritical acceptance of irrational assumptions."

Henry Van Dyke () said: "We build our destiny by thought; for so the universe was wrought. Thought is another word for fate. Love brings love, and hate brings hate."

Ralph Waldo Emerson () said: "A man is what he thinks about all day long."

Ralph Waldo Emerson () said: "Great men are they that see that the spiritual is stronger than any material forces, that thought rules the world."

Ralph Waldo Emerson () said: "He (man) dismisses his own ideas without notice because his ideas are his."

William Mc Fee () said: "There is nothing like an odour to stir memories."

Horace Fletcher () said: "Anger and worry are the most unprofitable conditions known to man. While they are in possession, mental, physical, and spiritual growth are suspended."

Henry Ford () said: "Think you can, think you can't; either way you're right."

Emmet Fox () said: "The great cosmic law: "We are transformed by the renewing of our minds." If we change our minds, our conditions must change too."

Buckminster Fuller () said: "People should think things out fresh, and not just accept conventional terms and the conventional way of doing things."

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "I am; therefore I think."

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "The three things that you need to do are... THINK, THINK, and THINK!"

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "As you stand now, you are the sum total of your thoughts to date."

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "The student asks: 'What must I do?' - the Universe answers: 'Go and Think.'"

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "The journey of life is merely a process of creative Thinking."

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "The average man today, thinks no further that the end of his knife and fork."

Campbell M Gold (1951-) said: "It only takes one thought... Just one."

Charles Hanaal () said: "It is in the mental realm, that last fact beyond which analysis cannot go, that all physical and environmental effects find their common ground. In mind is found the remedy for every ill, the solution for every difficulty. In fact it is the Creator's magnificent provision for the emancipation of mankind."

J. Holland () said: "The law of mind states that the only way you can rid yourself of one thought is by substituting it with another."

Paxton Hood () said: "Great thoughts, discoveries, and inventions have generally been nurtured in hardship, and established with difficulty."

W. James () said: "The greatest discovery of my generation is the human beings can alter their lives by altering their attitudes of mind."

Grenville () Kleiser said: "Every good thought you think is contributing its share to the ultimate result of your life."

Archibald Mac Leish () said: "The dissenter is every human-being at those moments of his life when he resigns momentarily from the herd and thinks for himself."

Joseph Murphy () said: "There is always a solution to every problem. Contemplate the happy ending, and what you contemplate, you will experience."

Howard W. Newton () said: "The thoughtless are rarely wordless."

Blaise Pascal (1623-1662) said: "Thought makes the whole dignity of man; therefore endeavour to think well, that is the only morality."

Blaise Pascal (1623-1662) said: "Man's greatness lies in his power of thought."

Norman Vincent Peale () said: "Change your thoughts, and you change your world."

Luigi Pirandello () said: "Truth - what we think it is at any given moment of time."

Sir Joshua Reynolds (1723-1792) said: "There is no expedient to which a man will not resort to avoid the real labour of thinking."

Franklin D. Roosevelt () said: "The only limit to our realization of tomorrow will be our doubts of today."

Kent Ruth () said: "Men can live without air for a few minutes, without water for about two weeks, without food for about two months - and without a new thought for years on end."

Schiller () said: "It hinders the creative work of the mind if the intellect examines too closely the ideas as there pour in."

Arthur Schopenhauer () said: "The more a man finds his source of pleasure in himself, the happier he will be. The highest, most varied and lasting pleasures are those of the mind."

William Shakespeare (1564-1616) (The Tempest, II.2) said: "Thought is free."

William Shakespeare (1564-1616) (Hamlet, II.2) said: "There is nothing either good or bad, but thinking makes it so."

George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950) said: "Few people think more than two or three times a year. I have made an international reputation for myself by thinking once or twice a week."

Clement Stone () said: "There is little difference in people. But the little difference makes a big difference. The little difference is attitude. The big difference is whether it is positive or negative."

The Talmud says: "Who is wise? He who learns of all men."

An unknown commentator said: "Choice... not chance, determines human destiny."

Upanishad () said: "Let a man purify his thoughts. What a man thinketh, that is he."

Ludwig Wittgenstein (1889-1951) said: "Logic must take of itself."

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Benjamin Whorf (1897-1941) said: "We dissect nature along lines laid down by our native language... Language is not simply a reporting device for experience but a defining framework for it."

W. B. Yeats (1865-1939) said: "The intellect of man is forced to choose perfection of the life, or of the work."

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