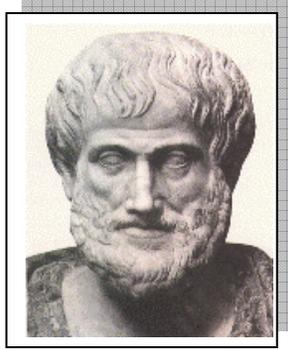


Seeings of the Ages



Aristotle (384 – 322 B.C.)

- The ultimate value of life depends upon awareness and the power of contemplation rather than upon mere survival
- Nature does nothing uselessly
- All men by nature desire to know
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- The roots of education are bitter, but the fruit is sweet
- Education is the best provision for the journey to old age
- Those who educate children well are more to be honored than they who produce them; for these only gave them life, those the art of living well
- It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it
- Our characters are the result of our conduct
- Pleasure in the job puts perfection in the work
- We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit
- Men acquire a particular quality by constantly acting in a particular way
- Law is mind without reason
- Anybody can become angry that is easy, but to be angry with the right person and to the right degree and at the right time and for the right purpose, and in the right way – that is not within everybody's power and is not easy
- Bring your desires down to your present means. Increase them only when your increased means permit
- Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality which guarantees the others
- Dignity consists not in possessing honors, but in the consciousness that we deserve them
- No great genius has ever existed without some touch of madness
- Suffering becomes beautiful when anyone bears great calamities with cheerfulness, not through insensibility but through greatness of mind
- The aim of art is to represent not the outward appearance of things, but their inward significance

- The greatest virtues are those which are most useful to other persons
- The one exclusive sign of thorough knowledge is the power of teaching
- The virtue of justice consists in moderation, as regulated by wisdom
- The wise man does not expose himself needlessly to danger, since there are few things for which he cares sufficiently; but he is willing, in great crises, to give even his life - knowing that under certain conditions it is not worthwhile to live
- The worst form of inequality is to try to make unequal things equal

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