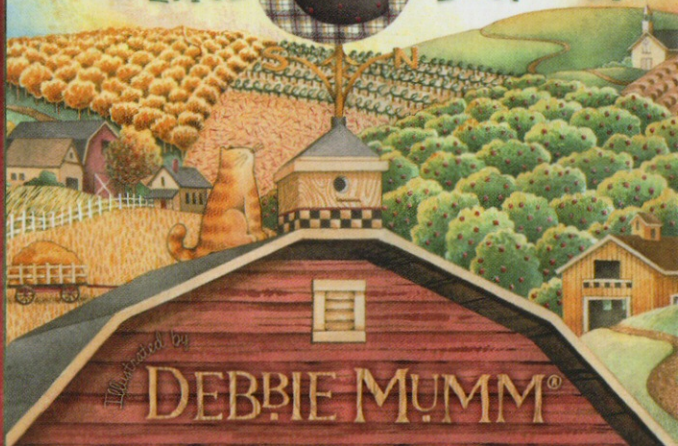


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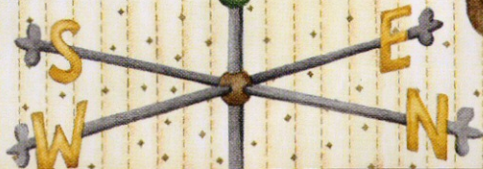
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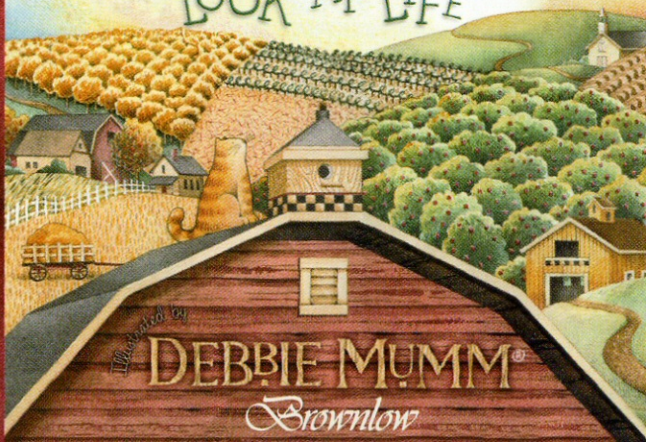


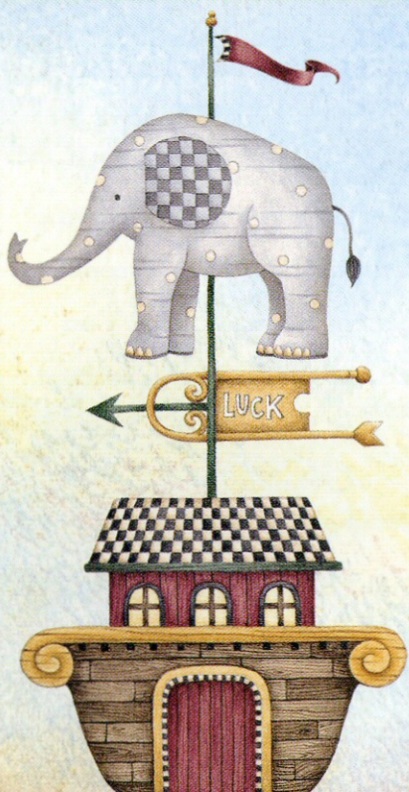


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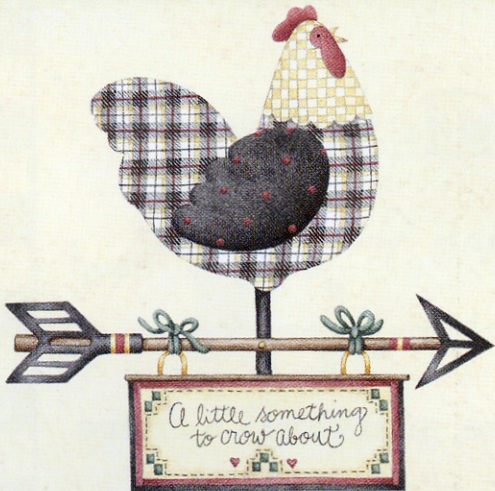
failure, sunshine where

others see shadows

and storm.

O.S. Marden





**F**or everything you  
have missed, you have  
gained something else.

Ralph Waldo Emerson



**T**he longer I live,  
the more beautiful  
life becomes.

Frank Lloyd Wright



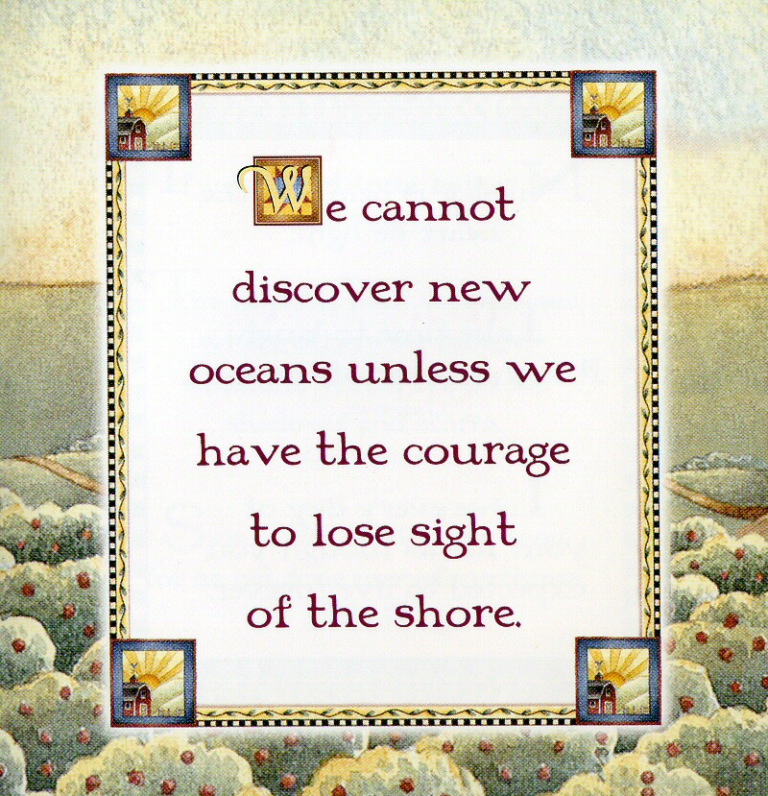


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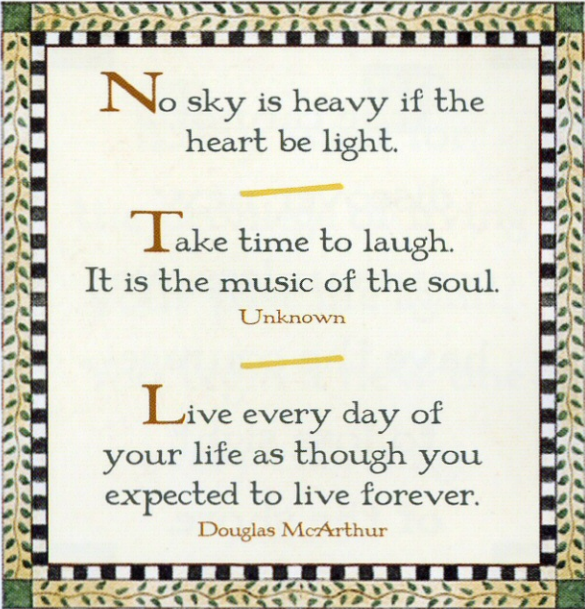
hy wish for  
the privilege of living  
your past life again?  
You begin a new one  
every morning.

Robert Quillen





We cannot  
discover new  
oceans unless we  
have the courage  
to lose sight  
of the shore.



No sky is heavy if the  
heart be light.

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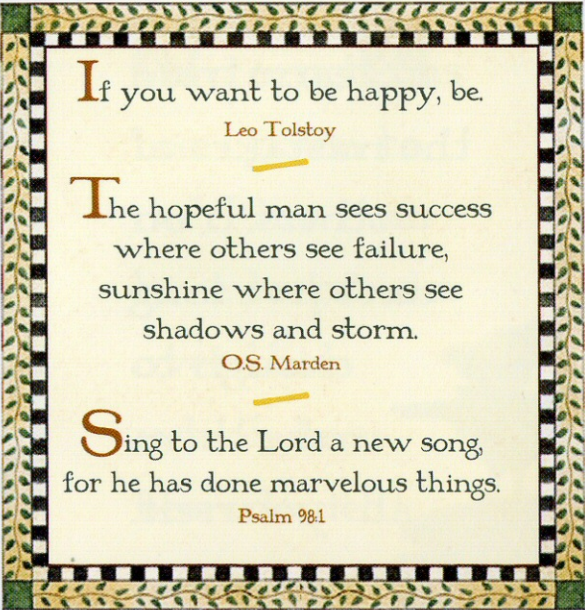
Take time to laugh.  
It is the music of the soul.

Unknown

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Live every day of  
your life as though you  
expected to live forever.

Douglas McArthur



If you want to be happy, be.

Leo Tolstoy

The hopeful man sees success  
where others see failure,  
sunshine where others see  
shadows and storm.

O.S. Marden

Sing to the Lord a new song,  
for he has done marvelous things.

Psalm 98:1



Learn from  
the mistakes of  
others. You  
can't live long  
enough to  
make them  
all yourself.

Martin Vanbee





So much has  
been given to  
me, I have no  
time to ponder  
over that  
which has  
been denied.

—Helen Keller



I have learned to be content  
whatever the circumstances.  
I can do everything through  
him who gives me strength.

Philippians 4:11:13



We all live under  
the same sky, but  
we don't all have  
the same horizon.



**E**xperience is what you  
get when you didn't get  
what you wanted.



**T**he world is full of  
untold novelties for  
him who has the  
eyes to see them.

Thomas Huxley







The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything. They just make the best of everything.

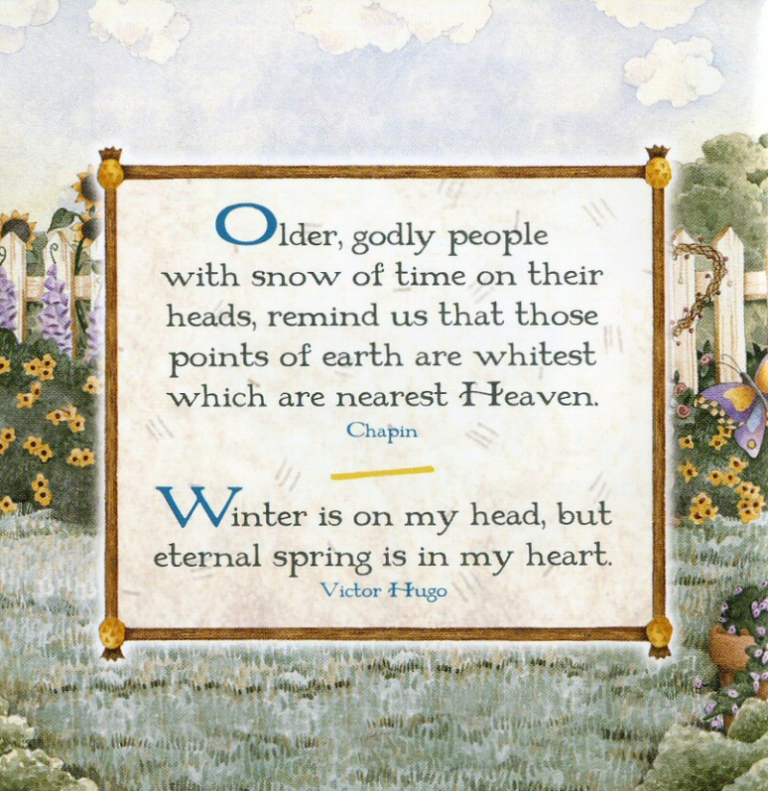
To be without some of the things you want is an indispensable part of happiness.

Bertrand Russell

Behold, I make all things new.

Revelation 21:5



The page features a central wooden frame with four golden crown-like finials at the corners. The background is a soft, painterly landscape with a blue sky, white clouds, a white picket fence, green bushes, and a field of yellow and purple flowers. A purple butterfly is visible on the right side. The text is centered within the frame.


Older, godly people  
with snow of time on their  
heads, remind us that those  
points of earth are whitest  
which are nearest Heaven.

Chapin

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Winter is on my head, but  
eternal spring is in my heart.

Victor Hugo



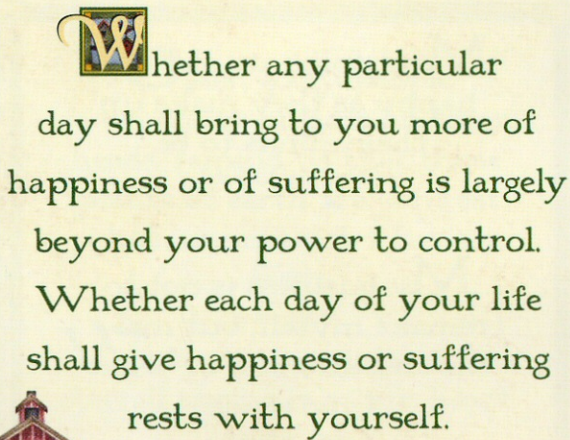
Most folks are about as  
happy as they make up  
their minds to be.

Abraham Lincoln

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My business is not to  
remake myself, but make  
the absolute best of what  
God made.

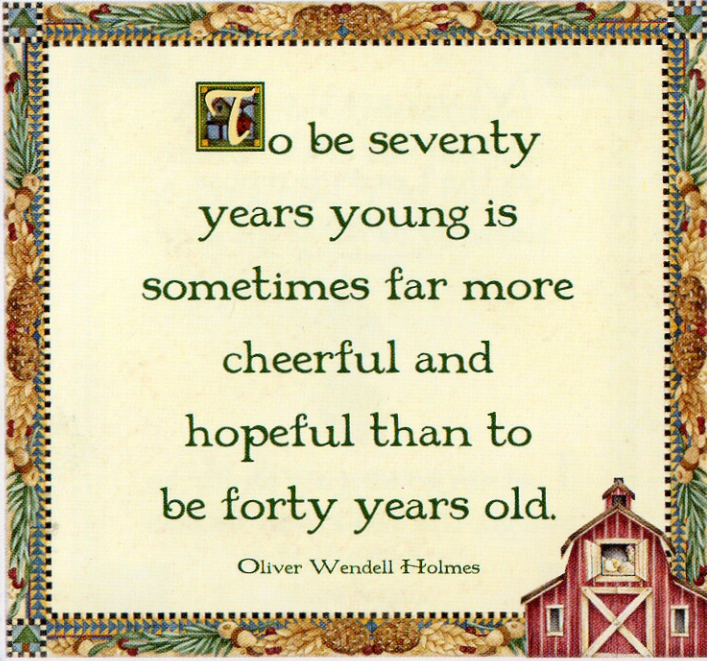
Robert Browning



**W**hether any particular day shall bring to you more of happiness or of suffering is largely beyond your power to control. Whether each day of your life shall give happiness or suffering rests with yourself.

G. S. Merriam





**T**o be seventy  
years young is  
sometimes far more  
cheerful and  
hopeful than to  
be forty years old.

Oliver Wendell Holmes



Many are the plans  
in a man's heart, but it  
is the Lord's purpose  
that prevails.

Proverbs 19:21



Let us go singing as far as  
we go; the road will be less  
tedious.

Virgil A. Kraft


All the Constitution  
guarantees is the pursuit  
of happiness. You have to  
catch up with it yourself.



Open your eyes  
and the whole world  
is full of God.

Jakob Bohme





**D**issatisfaction with  
our condition is often due  
to the false idea we have  
of the happiness of others.

Churchman

**K**ee your face to  
the sunshine and you  
cannot see the shadow.

Helen Keller

If you laugh a lot, when you  
get older your wrinkles  
will be in the right places.

Anonymous



A happy heart makes  
the face cheerful.

Proverbs 15:13





**N**ot what we have,  
but what we use;

Not what we see,  
but what we choose—

These are the things  
that mar or bless

The sum of  
human happiness.



It is a sad thing to reflect  
that in a world so  
overflowing with  
goodness of smell,  
of fine sights and  
sweet sounds,  
we pass by  
hastily and take  
so little note  
of them.

David Grayson



I thought God's purpose was to make me full of happiness and joy. It is, but it is happiness and joy from God's standpoint, not from mine.

Oswald Chambers





**W**e miss the  
really great joys  
of life scrambling  
for bargain-  
counter happiness.

Roy L. Smith



Blessed is he  
who has learned to  
laugh at himself, for  
he shall never cease  
to be entertained.

John Boswell



Then his flesh is renewed  
like a child's; it is restored  
as in the days of his youth.

*Job 33:25 NIV*



For the ignorant, old age  
is as winter; for the  
learned, it is a harvest.

*Jewish Proverb*

**H**e who lives in hope  
dances without a fiddle.

*Early American Proverb*



**H**appiness sneaks in  
through a door you didn't  
know you left open.

*John Barrymore*

**S**ome people complain  
because God puts thorns  
on roses, while others  
praise Him for putting  
roses among thorns.

*Anonymous*



**H**appiness is  
the sunshine  
of the soul.




A miracle occurs at  
the moment our eyes can see  
and our ears hear what is  
there about us always.

*Willa Cather*



If you ever find happiness  
by hunting for it, you will  
find it as the old woman who  
did find her lost spectacles,  
safe on her own nose  
all the time.





**W**hen it is dark  
enough, men see  
the stars.


Ralph Waldo Emerson

**I**would rather  
walk with God  
in the dark than  
go alone in  
the light.

Mary Gardiner Brainard





A decorative border at the top of the page featuring five stylized sunflowers with dark centers and orange-yellow petals, set against a black and white checkered background.


Man, unlike nature,  
can have spring times  
in autumn.

Paul Tournier

Write it on your heart  
that every day is the best  
day in the year.

Ralph Waldo Emerson





Praise to the Lord, to  
God our Saviour, who  
daily bears our burdens.

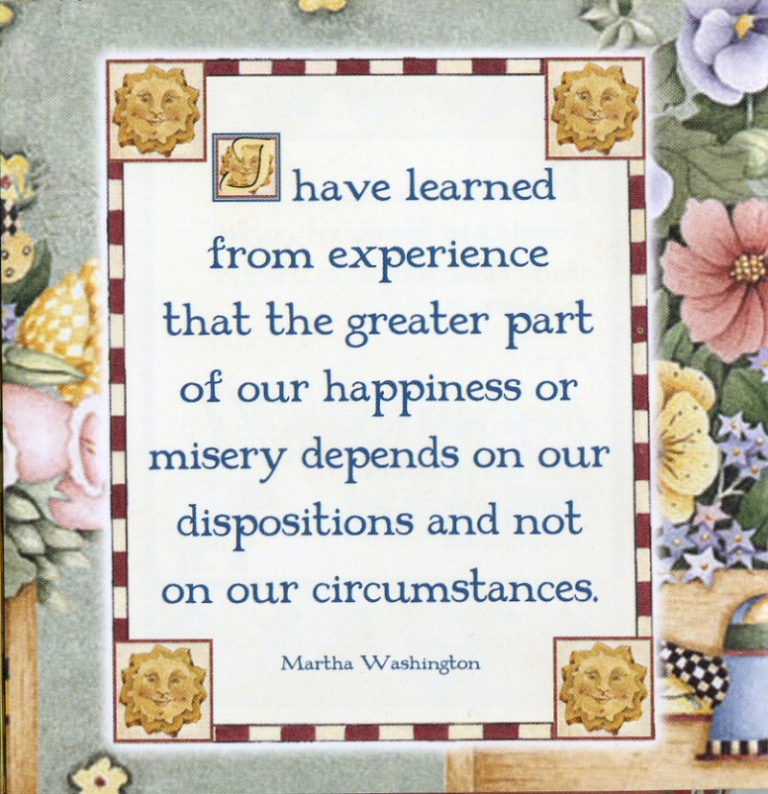
Psalm 68:19

There is no such thing as  
the pursuit of happiness,  
but there is the  
discovery of joy.

Joyce Grenfell





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**I** have learned  
from experience  
that the greater part  
of our happiness or  
misery depends on our  
dispositions and not  
on our circumstances.

Martha Washington




I am in love

with this world. I have climbed  
its mountains, roamed its forests,  
sailed its waters, crossed its  
deserts, felt the sting of its frosts,  
the oppression of its heats, the  
drench of its rains, the fury of its  
winds, and always have beauty  
and joy waited upon my goings  
and comings.



John Burroughs





I will not follow where  
the path may lead, but I  
will go where there is no  
path, and I will leave a trail.

Muriel Strode

C ontentment is not the  
fulfillment of what you  
want, but the realization  
of what you already have.

Anonymous

Many persons have a wrong idea about what constitutes true happiness. It is not attained through self-gratification, but through fidelity to a worthy purpose.

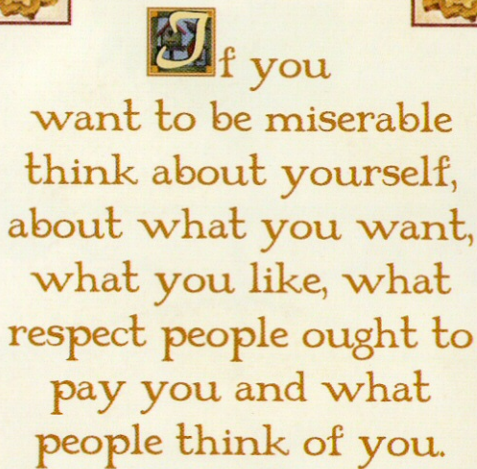
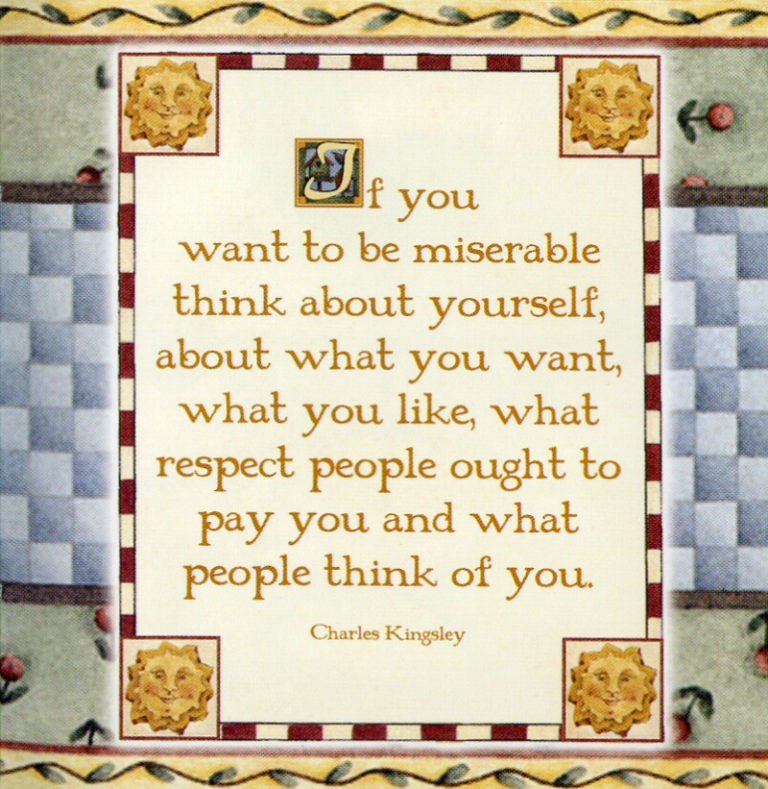
Helen Keller





I can see  
how it might be  
possible for a man to  
look down upon the  
earth and be an atheist,  
but I cannot conceive  
how he could look up  
into the heavens and  
say there is no God.

Abraham Lincoln



**I**f you  
want to be miserable  
think about yourself,  
about what you want,  
what you like, what  
respect people ought to  
pay you and what  
people think of you.

Charles Kingsley

