

“And a human being whose life is nurtured in an advantage which has accrued from the disadvantage of other human beings, and who prefers that this should remain as it is, is a human being by definition only, having much more in common with the bedbug, the tapeworm, the cancer, and the scavengers of the deep sea.”

— James Agee, *Cotton Tenants: Three Families*

“The world howls for social justice, but when it comes to social responsibility, you sometimes can't even hear crickets chirping.”

— Dean Koontz **Odd Thomas**

“Remember that the happiest people are not those getting more, but those giving more.”

— H. Jackson Brown Jr.

“If you tremble with indignation at every injustice then you are a comrade of mine.”

— Ernesto Guevara

“The ends you serve that are selfish will take you no further than yourself but the ends you serve that are for all, in common, will take you into eternity.”

— Marcus Garvey

“Colorful demonstrations and weekend marches are vital but alone are not powerful enough to stop wars. Wars will be stopped only when soldiers refuse to fight, when workers refuse to load weapons onto ships and aircraft, when people boycott the economic outposts of Empire that are strung across the globe.”

— Arundhati Roy, *Public Power in the Age of Empire*

“Returning hate for hate multiplies hate, adding deeper darkness to a night already devoid of stars. Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate, only love can do that.”

— Martin Luther King Jr., *Strength to Love*

“There must exist a paradigm, a practical model for social change that includes an understanding of ways to transform consciousness that are linked to efforts to transform structures.”

— Bell Hooks, *killing rage: Ending Racism*

“The opposite of poverty is not wealth. In too many places, the opposite of poverty is justice.”

— Bryan Stevenson

“I raise my voice not so that I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard”

— Malala Yousafzai

“In America,
wrongs can be righted,
warriors can wear skirts and blouses,
and the bravest hearts
may beat in girls
only five feet tall.”

— Michelle Markel, *Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909*

“Dignity is a bridge.

It needs two sides that, being different, distinct and distant become one in the bridge

without ceasing to be different and distinct, but ceasing already to be distant.”

— Zapatistas

“Prison is, simply put, the bottom rung of the welfare ladder.”

— Stephen Reid, *A Crowbar in the Buddhist Garden*