



THE HIGHEST GOOD

a series in the Sermon on the Mount

Commencement Address



C.S. Lewis



David Foster Wallace



Steve Jobs

Enter by the narrow gate....”


v. 13

Meaning

Identity

Justice


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Harvard taught lessons in jealousy, greed, self-reproach. I felt utter vincibility, even near commencement, an apex of mortarboards and Latin, American elms, bells, and addresses. There was doubt, all around: not of God, but of achievement, which had made me whiny, and insufferable. . . .

Katherine Lucky

*For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that
leads to life. . .*

v.14

“Do you want to be healed?”

John 5:6

So whatever you wish that others would do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.

v. 12



David Foster Wallace

There is no experience you've had that you were not at the absolute center of. [Consequently, our] natural, hard-wired default setting ... is to be deeply and literally self-centered, and to see and interpret everything through this lens of self. . . .



David Foster Wallace

The really important kind of freedom involves attention, and awareness, and discipline, and effort, and being able truly to care about other people and to sacrifice for them, over and over, in myriad petty little unsexy ways, every day. That is real freedom.

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Dietrich Bonhoeffer

As long as I recognize the road as the one I am commanded to walk, and try to walk it in fear of myself, it is truly impossible. But if I see Jesus Christ walking ahead of me, step by step, if I look only at Him and follow him, step by step, then I will be protected on this path



Gautama Buddha

*"Look how he abused me and beat
me,
How he threw me down and robbed
me."
Live with such thoughts
and you will live in hate.*



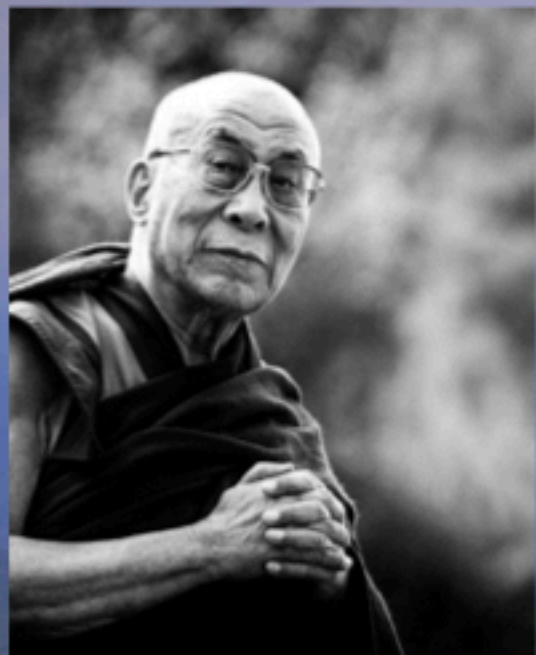
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*"Look how he abused me and beat
me,
How he threw me down and robbed
me."
Abandon such thoughts and live in
love.
In this world, hate never yet
dispelled hate.
Only love dispels hate.
This is the law, Ancient and
inexhaustible.*

Why do you see the speck in your neighbor's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye?

Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you.

Jesus Christ



The Dalai Lama

There is a Tibetan expression that states, “Don’t try to put a yak’s head on a sheep’s body.”

. . .the morning's self-death, the weird ritual that didn't translate into status. It wasn't an achievement, but an initiation—a beginning I'd been given rather than an end I deserved.

Katherine Lucky



Mike Yaconelli

I just want to be remembered as a person who loved God, who served others more than he served himself, who was trying to grow in maturity and stability. I want to have more victories than defeats, yet here I am, almost 60, and I fail on a regular basis. . . .



Mike Yaconelli

If I were to die today, I would be nervous about what people would say at my funeral. I would be happy if they said things like 'He was a nice guy' or 'He was occasionally decent' or 'Mike wasn't as bad as a lot of people.' Unfortunately, eulogies are delivered by people who know the deceased. I know what the consensus would be. 'Mike was a mess.'