



Between the Lines

The Inside Story

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I'll do it myself...

We are so fortunate that we live in this country with no daily explosions, bombings and crumbling buildings, and we have food, clean water, sanitary systems and other essentials that folks in some other countries can only dream about. A lot has to do with the luck of the draw but mostly our society (you and me) work very hard every day to maintain the value of our existence.

Once in a while though, we need to look for an emotional release from the trials and tribulations of everyday life. Recently I added some lights and ornaments to my fish pond and built a rock garden, I enjoy watching the fish eating their breakfast and being there as the lily petals open for the day. All of a sudden... I had a renewed admiration for nature. As I've said before, gratitude has a lot to do with life satisfaction. We should be a bit more humble and a bit more confident about the future. Sure, pray to God but keep rowing to shore... you can figure out how to improve your quality of life all by yourself, we all have more potential than we give ourselves credit for. Don't waste your wishes on the future; instead thank your lucky stars for what you have, enjoy the ride. Read "the Station" by Hastings again, it's in my Sixth Edition.

We all know being thankful for what we have and not taking it for granted is one way to appreciate our good fortune. Another way is forgiveness, it is the trait most strongly linked to happiness. Think about it...is there a fence you should mend; it would be to benefit your happiness.

"Things turn out the best for those that make the best of things."

**Eighteenth Commandment:
Life is so short... Tempest fugit...memento moiré**