Diggs' Place of Quotes for Everyday Life

Rhunette promises original quotes, creative anecdotes and insights as well as selected quotes on a variety of topics, just a sample: (added: 4/20/08: I hope these explanations help the reader to see that the quotes are not out of a brilliant mind as much as a sensitivity to what the God created spirit has placed in me and "grown me up" to attend).

Each heading represents the space, impetus, source, or location of the quote. These are organic quotes. That is, they happen while living my everyday life. I feel to document some explanations or promptings for the "quote" as I experienced them.

FROM THE ACCUMULATED LIFE OF R. C. DIGGS

And that's why we can't become insulated in academia and alienated from our God (first love), Family, and Community. Amen R. C. Diggs

(in response to a *Chronicle of Higher Education* article entitled "Higher Education is Drowning in Bullshit: And It's mortally corrosive to society" by Christian Smith, 1/9/2018)

REALIZATION

Thrills are dangerous whether feel good or feel bad when we make the mistake that this is a reasonable goal to pursue every day. -R. C. Diggs June 26, 2007

(While attending a CSCC Adjunct Faculty Advanced Learning Program, August 2007)

Pursuit of excellence is healthy. Pursuit of perfection is neurotic. Do we have any perfectionists in here? -- R. C. Diggs

Be open, open to what? If you're too open-minded, your brain might fall out. You must have an opinion about something – R. C. Diggs (now is this my thought or did I get it from somewhere? I must research on this February 21, 2006)

(prompted by article: "Teen Driving mixed with Disobedience, Dating, and Competitiveness leads to Disaster (Cols Dispatch News article title 2004-2006)

KNOW OUR KIDS ARE EAGER TO DRIVE--BE RESPONSIBLE IS THE MESSAGE!

THIS ARTICLE SENDS A PAINFUL MESSAGE!!

TELL THE TEENS THE TRUTH!!

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Thrills can be positive or negative and are short-lived, but the effects can last a life-time.

POSITIVE THRILLS ARE SHORT-LIVED WHEREAS THE PLEASURE THE "THRILL" CREATES CAN LAST A LIFE TIME! – R. C. Diggs (Sneaking with the person to a rendezvous and never getting caught—reminiscing on safe ground) April 22, 2006

IN A DREAM

You must watch what you see and listen to what you hear. - R. C. Diggs May 2003

AWAKENING

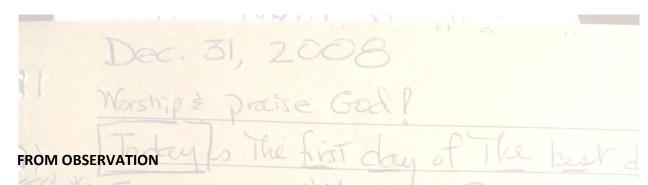
When struggling to regain your status or to maintain a position, you must work hard or harder than those who support you. – R. C. Diggs November 2, 2005

The best way to maintain relationships is <u>not</u> to borrow \$\$ routinely. The people who tell you that you should not take any job and say, 'wait and focus your energies to get the job you're worth,' are often the same people that will tell you, "can't you find a job?" when you come to them <u>one too many times</u> asking to borrow \$\$.

LIFE LESSON

Would you agree? We didn't do much well, but we had babies well. — R. C. Diggs August 27, 2005 (a line waiting for a book)

It's not the job that's the problem; it's the challenge and grief you get from working with people. – R. C. Diggs (August 30, 2005 working at Heritage).



Too Choked up to Ask or Think outside your Blinders?

For all my 6 decades and older friends out there, don't settle for a seat on the shelf and excuses for not participating in the World that God created. Face your challenges of aging by devising creative plans with those who you see as "into life" and moving along at 65 or 70 miles per hour. I say this because you can say why you don't do this and that, but these are really "excuses." Life has always been short; it's not because you are in your gracious age that it has become short. Today is no longer a day for excuses. Live in a right relationship with people and face your throttles—those that cause your voice to choke when you should express: "I would love to...can you help me do that?"

Folks won't always ask b/c they have plans too, but that doesn't mean you can't. Are you stuck in that place of, "I've never been a person who..." or "I'm afraid to ..." and what is legitimate fears anyway? Where there is a will, there's a way. Spend the night with a friend. When was the last time you did that? Invite the young adult with a license but no car to be your driver. Ask God to enlarge your territory.

Daniel was 80 years old when he was forced to spend a night in the lion's den. He survived and thrived, all within captivity (a kind of world). In other words, you can take the fears and challenges to God throughout your life and He will take care of you.

Do you have the will?

— R. C. Diggs April 19, 2008
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Something Good (I was studying a Sunday School lesson to teach my class) -Daniel was 80 yrs. old in the Lion's den—I didn't know that or ever GET that from ever hearing that story—the images are very different) and began to think about two friends/church sisters, 70 years and older, who were expressing fears: one eventually broke free and saw it for what it was and the other was becoming patterned in a certain response that was turning into a "power" statement (I don't go out at night; I don't like to come into an empty house; I don't drive that far or sit that long, ...) April 19, 2008 Just 'cause people say stuff in the church, saints, don't make it right or gospel. People often go fishing when they speak, often to get at your business and we often take the bait/lure or fall for it. Sometimes it is strategic—they have a fish in mind, other times they are just casting their baits/lures. (or rod/net/tackle, http://www.iit.edu/~johnson/fish.html, December 21, 2005) Everyone needs something good in their lives. Good is energy; like energy, good causes things to happen. Good is like the mixture of air and fuel to an engine (life, mind, heart, spirit), it revs you into drive! How does this good/energy work? The good news or event releases breath for the continuation of life. (research sources from How an Automobile Engine Works, http://www.familycar.com/engine.htm November 2, 2005; http://www.energyquest.ca.gov/story/chapter01.html, November 2, 2005) Everybody needs something good in their lives. Good is like motor fuel; it helps get you into motion. or Everybody needs something good in their lives. Good is like motor fuel; it kicks you into drive. - R. C. Diggs April 22, 2006 who legul mayou has a Everyday live simply and healthy; Every now and then make it delicious & memorable. – R. C. Diggs April 2003

\$\$ & WORK

Not only do we need laborers or partners who work from their passion, we need those who work from necessity as well. (impetus or catalyst—working toward PREVAIL-RESPECT 2007 conference and dealing with those who lack or are prodded to complete follow-up tasks). – R. C. Diggs December 2006

When money is lean, I must Motivate myself! – R. C. Diggs December 2006

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It is better to work somewhere doing something than to work nowhere at all starving and begging while waiting on the job that you are worth. – R. C. Diggs September 2005

It is better to work somewhere doing something than to complain everywhere doing nothing while starving, begging, and waiting on the job that you are worth. – R. C. Diggs 2005 (revised for 2006 WWB Conference)