

Journal/Lesson Starters

These quotes can be used as lesson starters or for student journals. Write a quote of the day on the board; take the first 5 minutes of each class/day for reflection and dialogue with students. Teenagers need to have adults listen to their thoughts.

We are not to make the wrongdoing of others a matter of comment and criticism among ourselves; nor even after it is told to the church, are we at liberty to repeat it to others. A knowledge of the faults of Christians will be only a cause of stumbling...and by dwelling upon these things; we ourselves can receive only harm.
-DA 441

If the disciples had trusted in Jesus, they would have been kept in peace.
-DA 336

In every difficulty He has His way prepared to bring relief. Our heavenly Father has a thousand ways to provide for us, of which we know nothing. Those who accept the one principle of making the service and honor of God supreme will find perplexities vanish, and a plain path before their feet. -DA 330 (I can either honor God or honor self; My Father lets me decide who I will glorify.)

If we surrender our lives to His service, we can never be placed in a position for which God has not made provision. -C.O.L. 173

Thou will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee, because he trusteth in Thee. -Isaiah 26:3

Those who have fellowship with Christ have constant rest and peace. Then why do we walk alone? Why do we not take Him into all our counsel? Why do we not come to Him in all our perplexities and prove the strength of His promise? -5T 410

The characteristics most needful to be cherished by God's commandment-keeping people are patience and long suffering, peace and love. -6T 398

It is Satan's constant effort to keep the attention diverted from the Savior, and thus prevent the union and communion of the soul with Christ. The 1) pleasures of the world, 2) life's cares and perplexities and sorrows, 3) the faults of others, or 4) your own faults and imperfections, -- to any or all of these he will seek to divert the mind. Do not be misled by his devices.

-Steps to Christ, p. 71

A life in Christ is a life of restfulness. There may be no ecstasy of feeling, but there should be an abiding peaceful trust. Your hope is not in yourself; it is in Christ. -Steps to Christ, p. 70