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"In life, to handle yourself, use your head,
but to handle others, use your heart."

Swami Chinmayananda (1917-1993), Vedantist writer, lecturer and Hindu renaissance founder of Chinmaya Mission International

Nationalism is not politics but a religion, a creed, a faith. I say it is the Sanatana Dharma, which for us is nationalism. This Hindu nation was born with the Sanatana Dharma, with it it moves and with it it grows. When the Sanatana Dharma declines, then the nation declines, and if the Sanatana Dharma were capable of perishing, with the Sanatana Dharma it would perish. The Sanatana Dharma, that is nationalism. This is the message that I have to speak to you. Sri Aurobindo on the freedom of India

There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so. William Shakespeare, (1564?1616) Hamlet II:2

Interviewer: You wield enormous influence over the top politicians of the country. Why don't you impress on them the need to inculcate values in public life? Sai Baba: If this is done, India will be a much better place. Politicians have a choice to

pursue good or bad goverance; they do covet power with a frenzy. But I tell them that politics without principles, science without humanity, education without principles, commerce without morality are not only useless but can prove to be positively dangerous and harm people at large. Sai Baba in his first interview in 25 years, with the Times of India.

Why do Hindus stand on their heads? So that when karma comes which seems to turn their world upside down, they do not get disoriented.

The only thing that interferes with my learning is my education.
Albert Einstein (1879-1955)

No emphatic statement can be made about Hinduism that cannot be contradicted; it truly is a religion of opposite and complementary forces that embraces an extraordinary diversity. Stephen Huyler, from his latest book, Meeting God: Elements of Hindu Devotion

A mystical vaishya was overheard saying: "I am having an out-of-money experience."

Q: How many Zen Buddhists does it take to change a light bulb? A: Tree falling in the forest. From a Buddhist jokes web site

The longest journey is the journey inward, in the process of self-improvement. Swami Shivapremananda, South American Swami who teaches yoga, a disciple of Swami Sivananda

Many of the Japanese and Chinese who came to America many years ago have so immersed themselves in Western ways that they no longer have much Eastern culture. It's enough to make any Asian dis-Oriented.

Did You Know?

When Gods Make Their Move

Each Hindu god and goddess has a chosen mount, called vahana, on which He or She traverses the universe. Lord Ganesha's is Mushika, a tiny mouse, or shrew. He attests to the all-pervasiveness of the Elephant God and carries Ganesha's grace into every nook and cranny.