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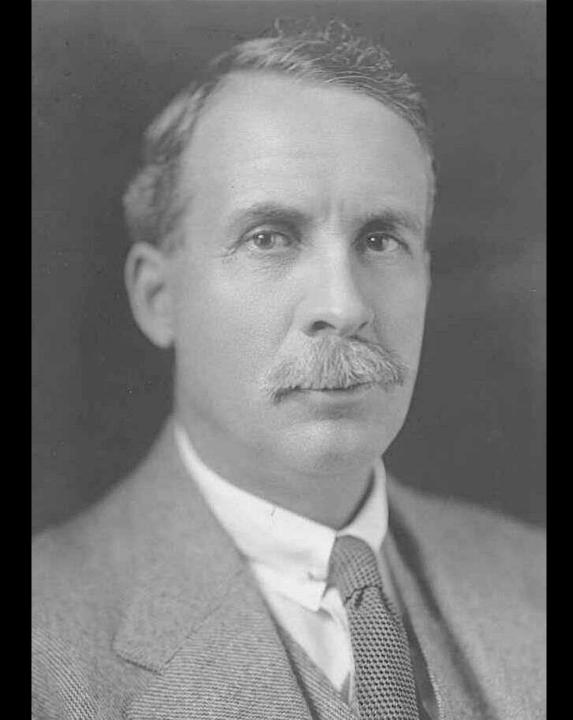


"What was the dominant motive that impelled them? It was not love of a fight. It lay in the mettle of the men themselves. To be the sort of man who would give way when his mates were trusting to his firmness...to live the rest of his life haunted by the knowledge that he had set his hand to a soldier's task and had lacked the grit to carry it through – that was the prospect which these men could not face. Life was very dear, but life was not worth living unless they could be true to their idea of Australian manhood. Standing upon that alone, when help failed and hope faded, when the end loomed clear in front of them, when the whole world seemed to crumble and the heaven to fall in, they faced its ruin undismayed." (From Charles Bean's Official History of Australia in the War of 1914-1918, Volume 1, Chapter 16)















"The machine-gunners' dreams of pointblank fire into serried masses of Emus were soon dissipated....A crestfallen field force therefore withdrew from the combat area after about a month."

(From Dominic Serventy's entry on *casuariiform* at britannica.com)





Luke 6:27-28 (ESV): "But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you."



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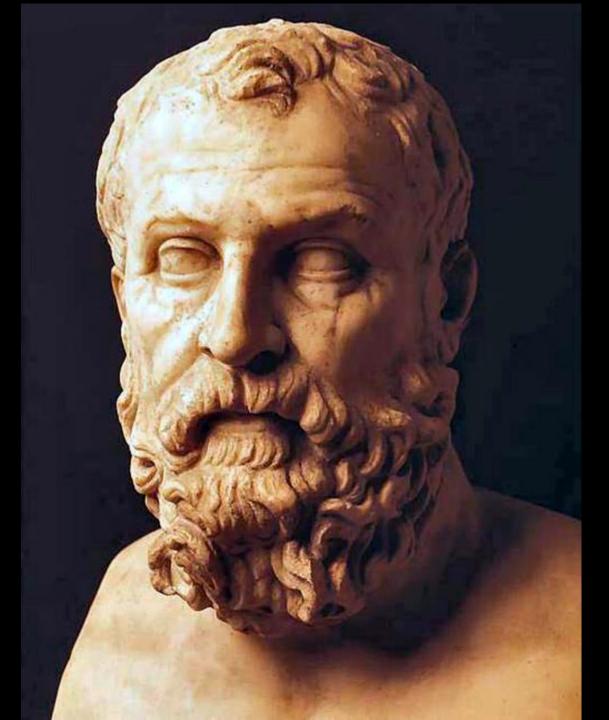
2 Corinthians 10:1-2 (ESV): "I, Paul, myself entreat you, by the meekness and gentleness of Christ – I who am humble when face to face with you, but bold toward you when I am away! -2 | beg of you that when | am present | may not have to show boldness with such confidence as I count on showing against **UNCONVENTIONAL** some who suspect us of walking according to the flesh."

2 Corinthians 10:10 (ESV): "For they say, 'His letters are weighty and strong, but his bodily presence is weak, and his speech of no account.'"



2 Corinthians 10:3-7 (ESV): "For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. **5** We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ, 6 being ready to punish every disobedience, when your obedience is complete. 7 Look at what is before your eyes. If **LINEONVENTIONAL** anyone is confident that he is Christ's, let him remind himself that just as he is Christ's, so also are we."

2 Corinthians 10:12 (ESV): "Not that we dare to classify or compare ourselves with some of those who are commending themselves. But when they measure themselves by one another and compare themselves with one LINCONVENTIONAL another, they are without **KFBRE** understanding."











Matthew 11:25-30 (ESV): "At that time Jesus declared, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; 26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father,..."

"...and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke uncanventional is easy, and my burden is light."



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John 1:45-46 (ESV): "Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.' 46 Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come UNCONVENTIONFIL out of Nazareth?" **KFBRE**

Luke 18:16-17 (ESV): "But Jesus called them to him, saying, 'Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. **17** Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of LINCONVENTIONFIL God like a child shall not REARE enter it."

Matthew 22:23-33 (ESV): "The same day Sadducees came to him, who say that there is no resurrection, and they asked him a question, 24 saying, 'Teacher, Moses said, "If a man dies having no children, his brother must marry the widow and raise up offspring for his brother." 25 Now there were seven brothers among us...." LINCONVENTIONAL

"...The first married and died, and having no offspring left his wife to his brother. 26 So too the second and third, down to the seventh. 27 After them all, the woman died. 28 In the resurrection, therefore, of the seven, whose wife will she be? For they all had her.' 29 But Jesus answered them, 'You are wrong, because you know neither the LINCONVENTIONFIL Scriptures nor the power of God...."

"...30 For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. **31** And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God: 32 "I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"? He is not God of the dead, but of the living.' 33 And when the crowd heard it, they were astonished at **LINCONVENTIONAL** his teaching."



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2 Corinthians 11:3-6 (ESV): "But I am afraid that as the serpent deceived Eve by his cunning, your thoughts will be led astray from a sincere and pure devotion to Christ. 4 For if someone comes and proclaims another Jesus than the one we proclaimed, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or if you accept a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it readily enough. 5 Indeed, I consider that I am not in the least inferior to these super-apostles. 6 Even if I am unskilled LINCONVENTIONAL in speaking, I am not so in knowledge; indeed, in every way we have made this plain to you in all things."

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2 Corinthians 10:17-18 (ESV): "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.' 18 For it is not the one who commends himself who is approved, but the one whom the Lord commends."





SIMPLY GLORY IN YOUR SIMPLE STORY.



Colossians 2:2-4 (ESV): "My goal is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. 4 I tell you this so that no one may deceive you LINCONVENTIONAL by fine-sounding arguments."



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"All of that stuff with your father falls by the wayside as you realize how inept you can be as a father yourself. And you can't really beat on your parents.... look back at the flaws of my father and the things that made me say, 'I won't do this, and I won't do that. I'm going to do this differently.' There's no difference between my dad and me as a dad. I'm becoming my father in some ways, and I'm grateful for that. By no means am I a great father, but fatherhood has helped me focus on what I need to do to become a better man...."

"...A great man is largely forgotten by the public. He doesn't stand on top of a mountain waving a flag saying, 'Look at me – I'm a great man.' A great man often disappears into the ether. Hardly anyone notices that he was even there, apart from his family and close friends. He was reliable. He showed up. He was there. He was useful where he could be. He made mistakes. Tried to make better of those mistakes. LINCONVENTIONFIL Doesn't mean you have to cure cancer or understand the theory of relativity "

"...It's not necessarily as rock-and-roll or as cool as you might think. Part of being a great man is accepting that. To dare to be average and normal is actually a pathway to becoming a great man. To have more humility. To accept responsibility more. To just get on with what's in front of your face. And to leave no...indelible mark of your ever being here, apart from the fact that you were there for your family to the best of your UNCONVENTIONAL ability. It's not an easy task." (Tom Hardy, as interviewed by Daniel Perez on gq.com, April 21, 2015)



LIFE NEXT WEEK: 2 CORINTHIANS 11:16-12:10

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