

**QUOTATIONS**  
**THE VISIONARY EXPERIENCE: ST. FRANCIS TO FINSTER**

*The Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi*

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; it is in dying that we are born again to eternal life.

“If you have men who will exclude any of God’s creatures from the shelter of compassion and pity, you will have men who will deal likewise with their fellow men.” —*Francis of Assisi*

“In November, 1972, I was invited to Washington for a sort of covert meeting. During that meeting a top analyst of a familiar intelligence agency in our nation’s capital TOLD me (I paraphrase): ‘You know, no significant advance in Psi will ever be permitted by those who govern -- because it MIGHT upset or alter all power structures on Earth. Even if you and your colleagues at Stanford Research Institute succeed, even in part, ways and means behind the popular and open scenes will ultimately follow to erase and discredit the work.’ I clearly remember being struck speechless, not only by the shocking statement, but because of my own abysmal ignorance in not recognizing what was immediately made SO OBVIOUS. I immediately grokked the entire reason behind the “Resistance to Psi,” along with all of its ramifications.” —*Ingo Swann*

“Speaking in metaphor, then, power structures do not like the emergence of information and knowledge that might weaken or threaten their assumed authenticity and realities, and within which societal power forces are vested. Thus, determination of what knowledge is to consist of, or not consist of, is almost always a societal concern before it can be handed down into scientific and philosophic minds. And indeed, ever since Francis Bacon (1561-1626) pronounced his famous axiom that “Knowledge itself is power,” thereby connecting the two, it can be understood, with some certainty, that various power structures soon began keeping an eagle eye on emerging knowledge that might either support or disrupt them.” — *Ingo Swann*

“Reason is intelligence taking exercise. Imagination is intelligence with an erection.”  
—*Victor Hugo*

Leonardo da Vinci put it, “The knowledge of all things is possible.” —*Leonardo da Vinci*

“Invisible and visible, the world does not exist without both.” —*Rumi*

“It is through science that we prove, but through intuition we discover.”

—*Henri Poincare, French mathematician, theorist, and philosopher*

“The intuitive mind is a sacred gift and the rational mind is a faithful servant. We have created a society that honors the servant and has forgotten the gift.” —*Albert Einstein*

“A visionary is one who can find his way by moonlight, and see the dawn before the rest of the world.” —*Oscar Wilde*

“The Lord showed me, so that I did see clearly, that he did not dwell in these temples which men had commanded and set up, but in people’s hearts...his people were his temple and he dwelt in them.” —*George Fox, Founder of the Quaker religious movement*

“Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.”— *St. Francis of Assisi*

“Reality is that which, when you stop believing in it, doesn’t go away.”

—*Philip K. Dick, I Hope I Shall Arrive Soon and The Shifting Realities of Philip K. Dick*

“Either you repeat the same conventional doctrines everybody is saying, or else you say something true, and it will sound like it’s from Neptune.” —*Noam Chomsky*

“The gift of loneliness is sometimes a radical vision of society or one’s people that has not previously been taken into account.” —*Alice Walker*

“Those who dance are considered insane by those who cannot hear the music.”

—*George Carlin*

“Go my sons, burn your books, Buy yourself stout shoes. Get away to the mountains, the deserts and the deepest recesses of the earth. In this way and no other will you gain a true knowledge of things and of their properties.” —*Peter Severinus, 1571 A.D.*

“Men have called me mad; but the question is not yet settled, whether madness is or is not the loftiest intelligence— whether much that is glorious— whether all that is profound— does not spring from disease of thought— from moods of mind exalted at the expense of the general intellect.” —*Edgar Allen Poe*

“What is now proved was once only imagined.” —*William Blake*

“There is the Music of Heaven in all things and we have forgotten how to hear it until we sing.” —*Hildegard von Bingen, 11th century writer, composer, philosopher and Christian mystic*

“Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail.”  
—*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Einstein’s widow reported that her genius husband’s favorite book was, “Isis Unveiled,” channelled by the famed medium Madame Blavatsky. This fact helps to better illumine Einstein’s statement, “The more I study physics, the more I am drawn to metaphysics.”

*The Four Freedoms*  
Freedom of speech  
Freedom of worship  
Freedom from want  
Freedom from fear

Every successful man or great genius has three particular qualities in common. The most conspicuous of these is that they all produce a prodigious amount of work. The second is that they never know fatigue. And the third is that their minds grow more brilliant as they grow older, instead of less brilliant. Great men’s lives begin at forty, where the mediocre man’s life ends. The genius remains an ever-flowing fountain of creative achievement until the very last breath he draws.” —*Walter Russell*

“If one is lucky, a solitary fantasy can totally transform one million realities.”  
—*Maya Angelou, Poet*

“Creative scientists and saints expect revelation and do not fear it.”  
— *Madeleine L’Engle, Author*

“The future of planet Earth is positive and progressive!”  
—*Uriel (Ruth E. Norman), Co-Founder with Ernest Norman  
of Unarius Academy of Science*

“There is no greater power in this or any other world than Love!”  
—*Uriel (Ruth E. Norman)*

“Just be kind.”  
—*Father Yod, Founder of The Source Family*

“Truth is so great a perfection, that if God would render himself visible to men, he would choose light for his body and truth for his soul.”—*Pythagoras*

“There is no power on earth that can neutralize the influence of a high, simple and useful life.” —*Booker T. Washington, 33rd Degree Master Prince Hall Freemason, educator, author, and advisor to US Presidents*

“I’ll tell you what the Big Bang was, Lestat. It was when the cells of God began to divide.”  
—*Anne Rice, Tale of the Body Thief*

“The more I study physics, the more I am drawn to metaphysics.” —*Albert Einstein*

“Loveableness is the key to a living city.” —*Paolo Soleri*

“Excuse me while I kiss the sky.” —*Jimi Hendrix*

“Faith and worry can’t live in the same heart, one has to go.” —*Reverend Howard Finster*

“I never met a person I didn’t love.” — *Reverend Howard Finster*