

James Vila Blake

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This is our great covenant: To dwell together in peace, To seek the truth in love, And to help one another.

~James Vila Blake

Luck, good or bad, is the invisible play of mind upon affairs, the effect of mental aptitudes and habits which are not in sight, but which work and bring forth their due issues.

~James Vila Blake

We have great power to see the truth when the truth is all we wish to see; but what is easier than to credit what we desire? and can a man deceive anyone so easily as himself?

~James Vila Blake

when a great war has cut off the young men of a nation it never can be told thereafter what losses of scholars, poets, thinkers and great designers the country and the world have suffered.

~James Vila Blake

Meditation ... must be power of will and strength of attention, being like a flight to great heights wherein wings must be plied hard though joyfully.

~James Vila Blake

It is worth thought what kind of mind or condition or disposition is open to flattery; for poison would not be spread if the rats ate it not.

~James Vila Blake

An enemy will train us in watchfulness; for if he be wary to seize on every error and trip us, we shall be more heedful to expose nothing, and this will drive us to prudence and thoughtfulness.

~James Vila Blake

As anger is a passing storm, so it comes not gradually and with signs,

but like a sudden sweep of wind or black squall.

~James Vila Blake

As anger is a passion, it is to be ruled; as it is a weak passion, he is weak who rules it not.

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