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~Luther Standing Bear

It is the mothers not the warriors who create a people and guide their destiny.

~Luther Standing Bear

White men seem to have difficulty in realizing that people who live differently from themselves still might be traveling the upward and progressive road of life.

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Knowledge was inherent in all things. The world was a library.

~Luther Standing Bear

After all the great religions have been preached and expounded, man is still confronted with the Great Mystery.

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Silence is the Mother of Truth, for the silent man was ever to be trusted, while the man ever ready with speech was never taken seriously.

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The old people came literally to love the soil and they sat or reclined on the ground with a feeling of being close to a mothering power. The soil was soothing, strengthening, cleansing and healing.

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Only to the white man was nature a 'wilderness'.

~Luther Standing Bear

For the Lakota there was no wilderness. Nature was not dangerous but hospitable, not forbidding but friendly.

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Certain small ways and observances sometimes have connection with large and more profound ideas.

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