

Robert K. Greenleaf

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Good leaders must first become good servants.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Leadership must first and foremost meet the needs of others.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Servant leadership always empathizes, always accepts the person, but sometimes refuses to accept some of the person's effort or performance as good enough.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Where there is not community, trust, respect, ethical behavior are difficult for the young to learn and for the old to maintain.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

The servant leader is servant first. It begins with the natural feeling that one wants to serve.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Nothing much happens without a dream. For something really great to happen, it takes a really great dream.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Ego can't sleep. It micro-manages. It disempowers. It reduces our capability. It excels in control.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Don't assume, because you are intelligent, able, and well-motivated, that you are open to communication, that you know how to listen.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

The quality of a society will be judged by what the least privileged in it achieves.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Purpose and laughter are the twins that must not separate. Each is empty without the other.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

The only test of leadership is that somebody follows.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Even the frankest and bravest of subordinates do not talk with their boss the same way they talk with colleagues.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

The most serious failure of leadership is the failure to foresee

~Robert K. Greenleaf

For the person with creative potential there is no wholeness except in using it.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Love without laughter can be grim and oppressive. Laughter without love can be derisive and venomous. Together they make for greatness of spirit.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Behind every great achievement is a dreamer of great dreams.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

The work exists for the person as much as the person exists for the work.

~Robert K. Greenleaf

Faith is the choice of the nobler hypothesis.' Not the noblest, one never knows what that is. But the nobler, the best one can see when the choice is made.

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