

Sigurd F. Olson

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Future, Running, Distance, People, Life, Listening, Way, Animal, America, Rain,
Simplicity*

Joys come from simple and natural things: mists over meadows, sunlight on leaves, the path of the moon over water.

~Sigurd F. Olson

Wilderness to the people of America is a spiritual necessity, an antidote to the high pressure of modern life, a means of regaining serenity and equilibrium.

~Sigurd F. Olson

Simplicity in all things is the secret of the wilderness and one of its most valuable lessons

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Without love of the land, conservation lacks meaning or purpose, for only in a deep and inherent feeling for the land can there be dedication in preserving it.

~Sigurd F. Olson

At times on quiet waters one does not speak aloud but only in whispers, for then all noise is sacrilege.

~Sigurd F. Olson

If we can change our priorities, achieve balance and understanding in our roles as human beings in a complex world, the coming era can well be that of a richer civilization, not its end.

~Sigurd F. Olson

As long as there are young men with the light of adventure in their eyes and a touch of wildness in their souls, rapids will be run.

~Sigurd F. Olson

The way of a canoe is the way of the wilderness, and of a freedom almost forgotten.

~Sigurd F. Olson

It was Indian summer, a bluebird sort of day as we call it in the north, warm and sunny, without a breath of wind; the water was sky-blue, the shores a bank of solid gold.

~Sigurd F. Olson

When a man is part of his canoe, he is part of all that canoes have ever known.

~Sigurd F. Olson

Awareness is becoming acquainted with environment, no matter where one happens to be. Man does not suddenly become aware or infused with wonder; it is something we are born with.

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Even rain and wind and stormy clouds bring joy, just as knowing animals and flowers and where they live.

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