

Every person has many blessings and at least a few misfortunes. The ones he reflects upon will either strengthen or weaken him.

Our most necessary blessings are apt to be uncounted, because they are the most common: sunshine, rain, oxygen, soil, plants, animals, and a thousand other workings of nature.

The universality of so many blessings, however, does not lower their value. If this commonness tempts us to be ungrateful, let us ask: Where would we stand if the earth caved in? What would we breathe if the oxygen ran out? What would we do if the water dried up?

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"Reflect upon your present blessings, of which every man has many -- not on your past misfortunes, of which all men have some."

-- Charles Dickens [1812-1870]

"Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights. . ." James 1:17

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