

## 4. To live with integrity

1. The Master said, "To live with integrity is beautiful. If you choose not to stick with integrity, how can you claim to have wisdom?"

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2. The Master said, "Those who do not have integrity cannot remain bound by ethical precepts for long. They cannot remain joyfully for long anywhere. Those who have integrity derive comfort from integrity. Wise people derive benefit from integrity."

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3. The Master said, "Only those who have integrity can truly love people and truly hate people."

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4. The Master said, "Have the dogged determination to practice integrity. You will not be in a bad way."

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5. The Master said, "Wealth and honour are what people desire. But if you did not get them through the proper Way, do not dwell there. Poverty and low status are what people loathe. But if the Way did not prevail and you happened to have them, do not flee from them. If a noble man abandons integrity, loathsome indeed is his reputation as a noble man! A noble man does not go against integrity even while eating. Even in extreme haste, even in extreme peril, he will always abide by integrity."

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6. The Master said, "I have not seen a man who cherishes integrity and yet loathes a person lacking in integrity. A man who cherishes integrity does not make a fuss about it. He who loathes a person lacking in integrity is making a virtue of

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13. The Master said, "Suppose a country is run by those who can have modesty according to Li. What obstacles will there be? If a country is run by those who cannot have modesty

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20. The Master said, "If you do not divert from your father's

way for three years, you may be considered as serving your parents.”

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21. The Master said, “Your parents’ age cannot be forgotten, for you are at once delighted by and afraid of their age.”

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22. The Master said, “In olden days, men did not speak out because they were ashamed of not keeping up with their words.”

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23. The Master said, “Those who are sparing of words and yet fail to keep them; there aren’t many.”

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24. The Master said, “A noble man desires to be halting in his speech, but forthcoming in his conduct.”

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25. The Master said, “Virtue is not lonely. It is bound to have neighbours.”

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26. Zi You said, “To have numerous bosses to serve is to invite humiliation. To have numerous friends is to invite estrangement.”

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