

Tell of your own faults rather than those of others.
 Have a place for everything and everything in its place.
 Hide your own troubles, but watch to help others out of theirs.
 Never interrupt any conversation, but wait patiently your turn to speak.

Look for beauty in everything, and take a cheerful view of every event.

Always speak kindly and politely to servants.
 When inclined to give an angry answer, press your lips together, and say the alphabet.

When pained by an unkind word or deed, ask yourself. Have I never done as ill and desired forgiveness ?

He must increase, but I must decrease.

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Stern rugged Saint, thine own impending doom
 Thyself pronouncest, yielding place to One
 The World's true Radiance. Scarce the tarrying sun,
 Lately in triumph to his solstice come,
 Sign of less power shows. Still far off loom
 The short dark days of winter, when at last,
 As with the year our hopes are ebbing fast,
 The heavenly Dayspring rises on our gloom.

'He must increase.' Bravely the words ring out
 Bravely thou meetest e'en the murderer's sword,
 Thy life-work finished. Yet in th'eternal Now,

Blinded no longer by the mists of doubt,
 His servants wait in presence of their Lord,
 Unworthy all, but least unworthy thou.

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