

Good Thoughts Calendar 2014 (February)

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Quotes from Dhammapada, Buddhist's religious scripture, are used below:

Important Dates: February 6-Ratha Saptami, 14 Full Moon day, 15 Masi Makam, 27 Maha Shivaratri, 10 & 25 Ekadasi (Tamil Calendar).

February 1 Saturday

The man who does good is happy in both worlds (16).

February 2 Sunday

Hate is not conquered by hate; Hate is conquered by love (5).

Let us live in joy, in love amongst those who hate (197).

February 3 Monday

Our present thoughts build our life of tomorrow (2).

February 4 Tuesday

Health is the greatest possession. Contentment is the greatest treasure. Confidence is the greatest friend. Nirvana is the greatest joy (204).

February 5 Wednesday

One should never hurt a Brahmin; and a Brahmin should never return evil for evil. Alas for the man who hurts a Brahmin! Alas for the Brahmin who returns evil for evil (389)!

February 6 Thursday

Let the wise man straighten his mind as a maker of arrows makes his arrows straight (33).

February 7 Friday

As the bee takes the essence of a flower and flies away without destroying its beauty and perfume, so let the sage wander in this life (49).

February 8 Saturday

If a fool lives with a wise man his whole life, he never knows the path of wisdom as the spoon never knows taste of the soup (64).

February 9 Sunday

Not very far goes the perfume of flowers, even that of rose-bay or sandal wood; but the perfume of the good reaches heaven, and it is the perfume supreme amongst the gods (56).

February 10 Monday

Even as a great rock is not shaken by the wind, the wise man is not shaken by praise or by blame (81).

February 11 Tuesday

Those who have high thoughts are ever striving; like swans that leave their lake and rise in to the air, they leave their home for a higher home (91).

February 12 Wednesday

Wherever holy men dwell, that is indeed a place of joy—be it in the village, or in a forest, or in a valley or on the hills (98).

February 13 Thursday

Better than a hundred years lived in vice, without contemplation, is one single day of life lived in virtue and in deep contemplation (110).

February 14 Friday

Make haste and do what is good; keep your mind away from evil. If a man is slow in doing good, his mind finds pleasure in evil (116).

February 15 Saturday

All beings tremble before danger, all fear death. When a man considers this, he does not kill or cause to kill (129).

February 16 Sunday

Neither nakedness, nor entangled hair, nor uncleanness, nor fasting, nor sleeping on the ground, nor covering the body with ashes, nor ever squatting, can purify a man who is not pure from doubts and desires (141).

February 17 Monday

How can there be laughter, How can there be pleasure, when the whole world is burning? When you are in deep darkness, will you not ask for a lamp? (146).

February 18 Tuesday

The fool who scorns the teachings of the holy gathers fruits for his destruction, like the 'kashta' reed whose fruits mean its death (164).

February 19 Wednesday

Misers certainly do not go to the heaven of the gods, and fools do not praise liberality; but noble men find joy in generosity, and this gives them joy in higher worlds (177).

February 20 Thursday

It is a great event to be born a man; and his life is an ever-striving. It is not often he hears the doctrine of Truth; and the rare event is arising of a Buddha (182).

February 21 Friday

This is an old saying: they blame the man who is silent, they blame the man who speaks too much, and they blame the man who speaks too little. No man escapes blame in this world (227)

February 22 Saturday

He who destroys life, who utters lies, who takes what is not given to him, who goes to the wife of another, who gets drunk with strong drinks—he digs up the very root of his life (246 & 247).

February 23 Sunday

A man is not a great man because he is a warrior and kills other men; but because he hurts NOT any living being, he in truth is called a great man (270).

February 24 Monday

Many wear the yellow robe whose life is not pure, who have not self control. Those evil men, through their evil deeds are reborn in a hell of evil (307).

February 25 Tuesday

Better to do nothing than to do what is wrong, for wrong doing brings burning sorrow. Do therefore what is right, for good deeds never bring pain (314).

February 26 Wednesday

Four things happen to the thoughtless man who takes another man's wife; he lowers himself, his pleasure is restless, he is blamed by others, he goes to hell (310).

February 27 Thursday

It is sweet in this world too be a mother; and to be a father is sweet. It is sweet in this world to be a monk; and to be a saintly Brahmin is sweet (333).

February 28 Friday

Weeds harm fields, passions harm human nature; offerings given to those free from passions bring a great reward (356)

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