

Monday with Mikey: March 6, 2017

Ben Franklin – Humorist (from rightattitudes.com)

I guess I'm on a "quotes" kick lately. I have always thought Benjamin Franklin to have been born long before his time. At age 27, Benjamin Franklin began publishing "Poor Richard's Almanack" under the pseudonym "Richard Saunders." Published annually for the next 26 years, the Almanack became widely successful, selling 10,000 copies a year, making it a best-seller in colonial America. What made the Almanack well known were the witty proverbs and maxims that Franklin included as fillers. Herewith are some "Poor Richard's" more noteworthy sayings:

- Having been poor is no shame, but being ashamed of it, is.
- Well done is better than well said.
- Think of three Things, whence you came, where you are going, and to whom you must account.
- Necessity never made a good bargain.
- Fear to do ill, and you need fear naught else.
- Be neither silly, nor cunning, but wise.
- Beware of little expenses; a small leak will sink a great ship.
- Anger is never without a Reason, but seldom with a good One.
- Have you somewhat to do tomorrow; do it today.
- Glass, China, and Reputation, are easily crack'd, and never well mended.
- Fools multiply folly.
- Wink at small faults; remember thou hast great ones.
- The worst wheel of the cart makes the most noise.
- Half the Truth is often a great Lie.
- Genius without education is like silver in the mine.
- Fish & Visitors stink in 3 days.
- Love, and be loved.
- Silence is not always a Sign of Wisdom, but Babbling is ever a Mark of Folly.
- Want of Care does us more Damage than Want of Knowledge.
- They that won't be counselled, can't be helped.
- Pay what you owe, and you'll know what's your own.
- Wish not so much to live long as to live well.
- Love your Enemies, for they tell you your Faults.
- The noblest question in the world is, What Good may I do in it?
- When you're good to others, you are best to yourself.
- Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.
- Better slip with foot than tongue.
- Haste makes Waste.
- Speak little, do much.
- Whate'er's begun in anger ends in shame.
- Lost time is never found again

Until next week let's all keep on **"Doing Good, Having Fun!"**

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