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"Three things in human life are important. The first is to be kind. The second is to be kind. And the third is to be kind." Henry James, quoted in Leon Edel, *The Master*.

"Where was Pence in November when Trump started lying about the election the moment their defeat became clear? Where was he when the president enlisted the likes of Sidney Powell and John Eastman to peddle insane conspiracy theories about voting machines and preposterous interpretations of the Electoral Count Act? Where was he on invoking the 25th Amendment after the assault on the Capitol, or at least on supporting impeachment? Pence was a worm who, for a few hours on Jan. 6, turned into a glowworm." Bret Stephens, *The New York Times* 

"For a young people to be able to relish sound principles of political theory and follow the fundamental rules of statecraft, the effect would have to become the cause; the social spirit, which should be created by these institutions, would have to preside over their very foundation; and men would have to be before law what they should become by means of law." Jean-Jacques Rousseau, *Social Contract* (1762).

"Ron is the most selfish person I have ever interacted with," another teammate told me. "He has always loved embarrassing and humiliating people. I'm speaking for others—he was the biggest dick we knew." Former Yale baseball teammate of Ron DeRacist, quoted in *The New Yorker* 

"One major difference between GOP and Dems is that GOP leverage their right flank to gain policy concessions and generate enthusiasm, while Dems lock their left flank in the basement [because] they think that will make Republicans be nicer to them." <u>Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez</u>

"Public relief is a sacred debt. Society owes maintenance to unfortunate citizens." Paragraph 21 of the 1793 Declaration of the Rights of Man and Citizen—the ultimate statement of the ideals of the French Revolution.

"The three things that made America a beacon to the world were immigration, education, and democracy. Republicans are hellbent on destroying all three." *Michael K. Cantwell* 

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