

1. This man went up higher because he was humble. He first sat in the lowest room.
 1. He went up higher not from nobility of birth but from nobility of character.
 2. If you are living on a lower level than your God given abilities, why not go up higher?
 3. We should:
 1. Go up above suspicion. Have confidence in your fellow man... better be deceived occasionally than to shrivel the soul up to where it peers through every keyhole.
 2. Go up above the level of hateful revenge.
 1. The story of a person who carried a note book for the purpose of jotting down every wrong done him. Rom. 12:19.
 3. Do not sit in the seat of dreary complainers. Jude 16.
 1. Complainers have infested every age since the world began. They complain about the weather; crops; bad business about slights and mistreatments; unequal opportunities, and fancied injustice.
 2. Fortune, they murmur, smiles on other never on them; ease and plenty, they mourn, belong to their neighbors while they must slave and suffer.
- Flee this deadly scourge.

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4. Go up above dishonesty.

1. We would not commit a major fraudulent act but maybe we would have no qualms of conscience about the smaller deeds...these smaller things destroy the fabric of one's character and make way for the big crimes.
Romans 12:17.

5. We should go up higher and leave the level of petty quarreling.

1. Fussing people lose so much in happiness. It may be just a habit, but it saps dry their happiness.
2. Life passes swiftly:
 1. The children will grow up and leave only bare rooms, dusty toys, and precious memories. Crowd a year of good, happy living into each and every day.

6. We should go up above grasping ambition.

1. Such ambition rides to power through blood.
2. It tramples upon the heart of foe or friend alike.

7. The story of an old Negro wood cutter.

1. Unknown to fame the world would say-sat down alone to eat. He unrolled his lunch...Contentment was written on his face; Peace radiated from his soul. Though poor he *Rich. He removed his hat, bowed his head - Praise to God -*