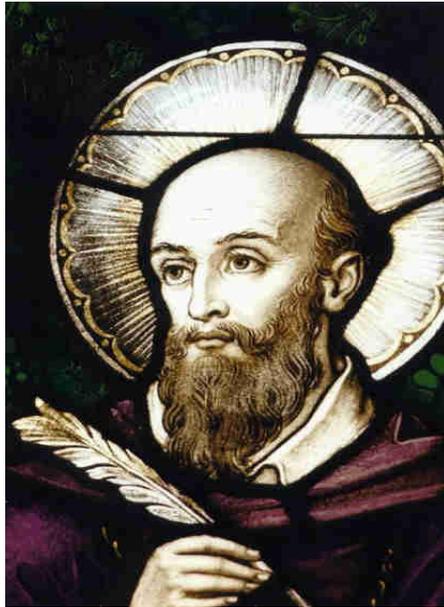


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Have no aims save His glory.

A good discourse is that from which nothing can be retrenched without cutting into the quick.

A quarrel between friends, when made up, adds a new tie to friendship.

Be who you are and be that well.

Do not lose courage in considering your own imperfections.

Do not wish to be anything but what you are, and try to be that perfectly.

Friendships begun in this world will be taken up again, never to be broken off.

Have patience with all things, But, first of all with yourself.

Make friends with the angels, who though invisible are always with you. Often invoke them, constantly praise them, and make good use of their help and assistance in all your temporal and spiritual affairs.

Never be in a hurry; do everything quietly and in a calm spirit. Do not lose your inner peace for anything whatsoever, even if your whole world seems upset.

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Reputation is rarely proportioned to virtue.

There are no galley—slaves in the royal vessel of divine love—every man works his oar voluntarily!

There was never an angry man that thought his anger unjust.

Those who love to be feared fear to be loved.

True progress quietly and persistently moves along without notice.

We must never undervalue any person. The workman loves not that his work should be despised in his presence. Now God is present everywhere, and every person is His work.

When you encounter difficulties and contradictions, do not try to break them, but bend them with gentleness and time.

While I am busy with little things, I am not required to do greater things.