The Trail of Beauty

Please walk quietly
The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new lands, but in seeing with new eyes.

—Marcel Proust
The hours when the mind is absorbed by beauty are the only hours when we really live.

—Richard Jefferies
There are two ways to live, one is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as if everything is.

—Albert Einstein
If you love it enough, anything will talk with you.

—George Washington Carver

Observe a plant or animal and note its special qualities. Offer your love and appreciative thoughts to it. Converse mentally with your plant or animal friend, if only for a little while.
The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart.

—Helen Keller
O, these vast, calm, measureless mountain days... Days in whose light everything seems equally divine, opening a thousand windows to show us God.

—John Muir
Man is not himself only...
He is all that he sees; all that flows
to him from a thousand sources...
He is the land, the lift of its
mountain lines, the reach of its valleys.

—Mary Austin
Let my mind become silent,
And my thoughts come to rest.
I want to be
All that is before me.
In self-forgetfulness,
I become everything.

—Joseph Cornell
I live not in myself, but I became a portion of all around me...
Are not the mountains, waves and skies a part of me and of my soul, as I of them?

—Lord Byron
Holy Earth Mother, the trees and all nature are witnesses of your thoughts and deeds.

—Winnebago Indian Prayer

Silently repeat this Winnebago prayer of reverence for the earth and its Creator. Whenever an animal, plant, rock, or beautiful scene draws your attention, stop and offer silent thanks for the joy and beauty you feel.
Until he extends the circle of his compassion to all living things, man will not himself find peace.
—Albert Schweitzer

The ability to empathize with other forms of life enlarges our own. As our awareness of life grows, so does our own happiness. Consciously “extend the circle of your compassion” to all the many forms of life around you. Feel the delight that comes from living fully aware of the largeness of life.
Love the world as your own self, then you can truly care for all things.

—Lao Tzu
Write your own quotation.