

Interestingly, the Robertson men from the popular "Duck Dynasty" T.V. show often echo the sentiments of Ralph Waldo Emerson and Henry David Thoreau, leaders of America's Transcendental movement. Match the following Robertson quotes to the line from the 1800's texts that shares the same message.

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. "Work hard. Nap hard. Hey, that's what I always say, Jack."  
- Uncle Si

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. "What on earth could you be doing...where you couldn't wait 10 minutes for some hot donuts?"  
- Jase Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. "Hey, whatever lights a fire under ya." - Phil Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. "Hey, haters gonna hate you every time." - Uncle Si

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. "If you're too busy to hunt, then you're too busy."  
- Jase Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 6. "To say I was forced to come to this art gallery against my will, would be a correct assertion."  
- Jase Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 7. "I want my grandkids to grow up in the great outdoors. The last thing I want is for them to grow up to be nerds." - Phil Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 8. "A beaver is about like the ninjas - the suckers only work at night and they're hard to find."  
- Uncle Si

\_\_\_\_\_ 9. "There is a bearded man burning leaves in his front yard. What are we going to do?!"  
- Jase Robertson, mocking neighbors

\_\_\_\_\_ 10. "America, everybody is in too big a rush. Lay back, take a sip of tea, mow a little grass. Then if you get tired, take a nap." - Uncle Si

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. "Uncle Si, that sign said 35 and you're going 55."  
- Sadie  
"Oh, that's just a suggestion."  
- Uncle Si

\_\_\_\_\_ 12. "Never underestimate the power of Miss Kay's sweet potato pie." - Jase Robertson

\_\_\_\_\_ 13. "I live by my own rules (reviewed, revised, and approved by my wife), but still my own."  
- Uncle Si

**A.** "The fault-finder find faults even in paradise."  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**B.** "Why should we live with such hurry and waste of life?...Men say that a stitch in time saves nine, and so they take a thousand stitches today to save nine tomorrow."  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**C.** "If you cannot buy books and newspapers, for instance, you are but confined to the most significant and vital experiences; you are compelled to deal with the material which yields the most sugar and the most starch. It is life near the bone where it is the sweetest." - *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**D.** "What I must do is all that concerns me, not what the people think. This rule...is harder because you will always find those who think they know what is your duty better than you know it."  
- "Self-Reliance," Ralph Waldo Emerson

**E.** "If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away."  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**F.** "Trust thyself: every heart vibrates to that iron string."  
- "Self-Reliance," Ralph Waldo Emerson

**G.** "I say, beware of all enterprises that require new clothes..."  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**H.** "Society everywhere is in conspiracy against the manhood of every one of its members...Self-reliance is its aversion."  
- "Self-Reliance," Ralph Waldo Emerson

**I.** "The invariable mark of wisdom is to see the miraculous in the common."  
- "Nature," Ralph Waldo Emerson

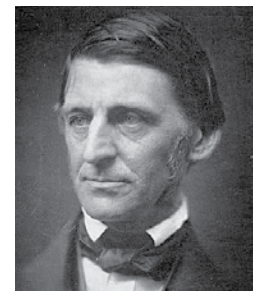
**J.** "That man is rich whose pleasures are the cheapest."  
- "Journals 1856," Henry David Thoreau

**K.** "Our life is frittered away by detail. An honest man has hardly need to count more than his ten fingers, or in extreme cases he may add his ten toes, and lump the rest. Simplicity, simplicity, simplicity!"  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

**L.** "Live your life. Do your work. Then take your hat."  
- "Conscience," Henry David Thoreau

**M.** "Though it is now dark, the wind still blows and roars in the wood...and the repose is never complete. The wildest animals do not repose, but seek their prey now..."  
- *Walden*, Henry David Thoreau

# DUCK DYNASTY = MODERN TRANSCENDENTALISM



Ralph Waldo Emerson



Henry David Thoreau