

AN ALLY'S PROMISE

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I Believe

I believe success is the freedom to be yourself.
I believe nobody is wrong they are only different.
I believe your circumstances don't define you, rather they reveal you.
I believe without a sense of caring, there can be no sense of community.
I believe our minds are like parachutes. They only work if they are open.
I believe we only live life once, but if we live it right, one time is all we'll need.
I believe we must first get along with ourselves before we can get along with others.

I Will

I will seek to understand you.
I will label bottles, not people.
I will grow antennas, not horns.
I will see the diversity of our commonality.
I will see the commonality of our diversity.
I will get to know who you are rather than what you are.
I will transcend political correctness and strive for human righteousness.

I Challenge You

I challenge you to honor who you are.
I challenge you to enjoy your life rather than endure it.
I challenge you to create the status quo rather than accept it.
I challenge you to live in your imagination more than your memory.
I challenge you to live your life as a revolution and not just a process of evolution.
I challenge you to ignore other people's ignorance so that you may discover your own wisdom.

I Promise You

I promise to do my part.
I promise to stand beside you.
I promise to interrupt the world when its thinking becomes ignorant.
I promise to believe in you, even when you have lost faith in yourself.

I am here for you.