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Live long and prosper.

"Amok Time," stardate 3372.7.

Totally illogical, there was no chance.

"The Galileo Seven," stardate 2822.3.

Superior ability breeds superior ambition.

"Space Seed," stardate 3141.9.

Insufficient facts always invite danger.

"Space Seed," stardate 3141.9.

Many Myths are based on truth.

"The Way to Eden," stardate 5832.3.

Time is fluid ... like a river with currents, eddies, backwash.

"The City on the Edge of Forever," stardate 3134.0.

Change is the essential process of all existence.

"Let That Be Your Last Battlefield," stardate 5730.2.

If there are self-made purgatories, then we all have to live in them.

"This Side of Paradise," stardate 3417.7.

Madness has no purpose. Or reason. But it may have a goal.

"The Alternative Factor," stardate 3088.7.

Where there's no emotion, there's no motive for violence.

"Dagger of the Mind," stardate 2715.1.

Violence in reality is quite different from theory.

"The Cloud Minders," stardate 5818.4.

After a time, you may find that 'having' is not so pleasing a thing, after all, as 'wanting.' It is not logical, but it is often true.

"Amok Time," stardate 3372.7.

Without followers, evil cannot spread.

"And The Children Shall Lead," stardate 5029.5.

There are always alternatives.

"The Galileo Seven," stardate 2822.3.

No one can guarantee the actions of another.

"Day of the Dove," stardate unknown.

Every living thing wants to survive.

"The Ultimate Computer," stardate 4731.3.

Virtue is a relative term.

"Friday's Child," stardate 3499.1.

Emotions are alien to me. I'm a scientist.

"This Side of Paradise," stardate 3417.3.

Vulcans do not approve of violence.

"Journey to Babel," stardate 3842.4.

Pain is a thing of the mind. The mind can be controlled.

"Operation -- Annihilate!" stardate 3287.2.

[being a Vulcan] means to adopt a philosophy, a way of life which is logical and beneficial. We cannot disregard that philosophy merely for personal gain, no matter how important that gain might be.

"Journey to Babel," stardate 3842.4.

Vulcans never bluff.

"The Doomsday Machine," stardate 4202.1.

On my planet, to rest is to rest -- to cease using energy. To me, it is quite illogical to run up and down on green grass, using energy, instead of saving it.

"Shore Leave," stardate 3025.2.

I object to intellect without discipline; I object to power without constructive purpose.

"The Squire of Gothos," stardate 2124.5.

Fascinating is a word I use for the unexpected.

"The Squire of Gothos," stardate 2124.5.

You humans have that emotional need to express gratitude. You're welcome, I believe, is the correct response.

"Bread and Circuses," stardate 4041.2.

Insults are effective only where emotion is present.

"Who Mourns for Adonais?" stardate 3468.1.

It would be illogical to assume that all conditions remain stable.

"The Enterprise" Incident," stardate 5027.3

It would be illogical to kill without reason.

"Journey to Babel," stardate 3842.4.

Without facts, the decision cannot be made logically. You must rely on your human intuition.

"Assignment: Earth," stardate unknown.

It is more rational to sacrifice one life than six.

"The Galileo Seven," stardate 2822.3.

Men of peace usually are [brave].

"The Savage Curtain," stardate 5906.5.

You Earth people glorified organized violence for forty centuries.

But you imprison those who employ it privately.

"Dagger of the Mind," stardate 2715.1.

Those who hate and fight must stop themselves -- otherwise it is not stopped.

"Day of the Dove," stardate unknown.

Computers make excellent and efficient servants, but I have no wish to serve under them. Captain, a starship also runs on loyalty to one man. And nothing can replace it or him.

"The Ultimate Computer," stardate 4729.4.

I realize that command does have its fascination, even under circumstances such as these, but I neither enjoy the idea of command nor am I frightened of it. It simply exists, and I will do whatever logically needs to be done.

"The Galileo Seven," stardate 2812.7.

Military secrets are the most fleeting of all.

"The Enterprise Incident," stardate 5027.4.

Extreme feminine beauty is always disturbing.

"The Cloud Minders," stardate 5818.4.

Fascinating, a totally parochial attitude.

"Metamorphosis," stardate 3219.8.

There is a multi-legged creature crawling on your shoulder.

"A Taste of Armageddon," stardate 3193.9.

Women are more easily and more deeply terrified ... generating more sheer horror than the male of the species.

"Wolf in the Fold," stardate 3615.4.

It is undignified for a woman to play servant to a man who is not hers.

"Amok Time," stardate 3372.7.

I have never understood the female capacity to avoid a direct answer to any question.

"This Side of Paradise," stardate 3417.3.

Humans do claim a great deal for that particular emotion (love).

"The Lights of Zetar," stardate 5725.6.

The joys of love made her human and the agonies of love destroyed her.

"Requiem for Methuselah," stardate 5842.8.

In the strict scientific sense we all feed on death -- even vegetarians.

"Wolf in the Fold," stardate 3615.4.

I'm frequently appalled by the low regard you Earthmen have for life.

"The Galileo Seven," stardate 2822.3.

All the little things you and I understand and expect from life, such as: equality; kindness; justice ...

"The Cloud Minders," stardate 5818.4.

To restrict a segment of the population to such hardship is unthinkable in an evolved culture.

"The Cloud Minders," stardate 5818.4

We must acknowledge once and for all that the purpose of diplomacy is to prolong a crisis.

"The Mark of Gideon," stardate 5423.4.

Diplomats and bureaucrats may function differently, but they achieve exactly the same results.

"The Mark of Gideon," stardate 5423.4.

Physical reality is consistent with universal laws. Where the laws do not operate, there is no reality -- we judge reality by the responses of our senses. Once we are convinced of the reality of a given situation, we abide by its rules.

"Spectre of the Gun," stardate 4385.3.

Physical laws simply cannot be ignored. Existence cannot be without them.

"Spectre of the Gun," stardate 4385.3.

We exist in a universe which co-exists with a multitude of others in the same physical space. For certain brief periods of time, an area of their space overlaps an area of ours.

"The Tholian Web," stardate 5693.2.

Possible existence of a parallel universe has been scientifically conceded.

"The Alternative Factor," stardate 3088.7.

I remind you that humans are only a tiny minority in this galaxy.

"The Apple," stardate 3715.6.

The actual theory is that all life forms evolved from the lower levels to the more advanced stages.

"Let That Be Your Last Battlefield," stardate 5730.2.

If it is the only survivor of a dead race, to kill it would be a crime against science.

"The Devil in the Dark," stardate 3196.1.

Instruments register only through things they're designed to register. Space still contains infinite unknowns.

"The Naked Time," stardate 1704.2.

As we know, the value of pi is a transcendental figure without resolution.

"Wolf in the Fold," stardate 3615.4.

If I let go a hammer on a planet having a positive gravity, I need not see it fall to know that it has, in fact, fallen.

"Court Martial," stardate 2948.9.

You have here an unusual opportunity to appraise the human mind, or to examine, in Earth terms, the roles of good and evil in a man. His negative side, which you call hostility, lust, violence; and his positive side, which Earth people express as compassion, love, tenderness. And what is it that makes one man an exceptional leader? We see here indications that it is his negative side which makes him strong -- that his evil side, if you will, properly controlled and disciplined, is vital to his strength. Your negative side, removed from you, the power of command begins to elude you.

"The Enemy Within," stardate 1673.1.

Captain, I'm beginning to understand why you Earthmen enjoy gambling. No matter how carefully one computes the odds of success, there is still a certain exhilaration in the risk.

"Patterns of Force," stardate 2534.7.

In critical moments men sometimes see exactly what they wish to see.

"The Tholian Web," stardate 5693.2.

Humans do have an amazing capacity for believing what they choose -- and excluding that which is painful.

"And The Children Shall Lead," stardate 5029.5.

Humans smile with so little provocation.

"Journey to Babel," stardate 3842.3.

Curious, how often you humans manage to obtain that which you do not want.

"Errand of Mercy," stardate 3198.4.

You [humans] are, after all, essentially irrational.

"Metamorphosis," stardate 3220.3.

There are many aspects of human irrationality I do not yet comprehend. Obsession, for one. The persistent single-minded fixation on one idea.

"Obsession," stardate 3619.6.

Earthmen like Rameses, Alexander, Caesar, Napoleon, Hitler, Lee Kuan. Your whole Earth history is made up of men seeking absolute power.

"Patterns of Force," stardate 2534.7.

[The people of Vaal] have taken their first step [towards achieving true human stature]. They've learned to kill.

"The Apple," stardate 3715.6.

...hesitation ... is an hereditary trait of your species, and suddenly faced by the unknown, or imminent danger, a human will invariably experience a split second of indecision. He hesitates.

"Obsession," stardate 3620.7.

You [humans] find it easier to understand the death of one than the death of a million.

"The Immunity Syndrome," stardate 4307.1.

Unhappiness is the state which occurs in the human when wants and desires are not fulfilled.

"I, Mudd," stardate 4513.3.

Humans are very peculiar. I often find them unfathomable, but an interesting psychological study.

"By Any Other Name," stardate 4658.9.

The cat is the most ruthless, most terrifying of animals. As far back as the sabertooth tiger.

"Catspaw," stardate 3018.2.

We shield it [the Vulcan mating rite] with ritual and custom shrouded in antiquity. You humans have no conception. It strips our minds from us. It brings a madness which rips away the veneer of civilization. It is the "pon farr" -- the time of mating.

"Amok Time," stardate 3372.7.

This troubled planet [Ardana] is a place of most violent contrasts -- those who receive the rewards are totally separated from those who shoulder the burdens. It is not a wise leadership.

"The Cloud Minders," stardate 5818.4.

What is it in you humans that requires an overwhelming display of emotion in a situation such as this? Two men pursue the only reasonable course of action indicated, and yet you feel that something else is necessary.

"That Which Survives," stardate unknown.

Anger is a relative state.

"Wolf in the Fold," stardate 3615.4.

Worry is a human emotion.

"Journey to Babel," stardate 3842.4.

Deriving sustenance from emotion is not unknown in the galaxy. And fear is among the strongest and most violent of the emotions.

"Wolf in the Fold," stardate 3615.4.

There's a certain inefficiency in constantly questioning me on things you've already made up your mind about.

"The Corbomite Maneuver," stardate 1514.0.

Forget.

"Requiem for Methusalah," stardate 5843.7.