

If you are always trying to be normal,  
you will never know how

**AMAZING**

you can be.

**“DISCOVERING  
THE ZEN  
LEADER  
WITHIN”**

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Maya Angelou – American Poet



# STARTING OUT RIGHT

This presentation outlines some goals to help us discover the leader in us and inspire our students through the simple and practical principles taught in Zen Buddhism.



# The Six Paramitas

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# Generosity

## 1

The Truth is that when you seek to benefit only yourself, what you can reap is limited. Your own rewards will be greatest when you strive to benefit others.

# Morality 2

The Buddha asked each follower to answer these three questions before, after, and during when considering the consequences of an action. Is what I am about to do...or is what I am currently doing...or is what I did...for my own well-being and for the benefit of all others?

# Patience 3

Patience in one's livelihood will extend to other aspects of one's life, and vice-versa. Without patience we could not endure the conflicts and obstacles in life.



# Diligence

## 4

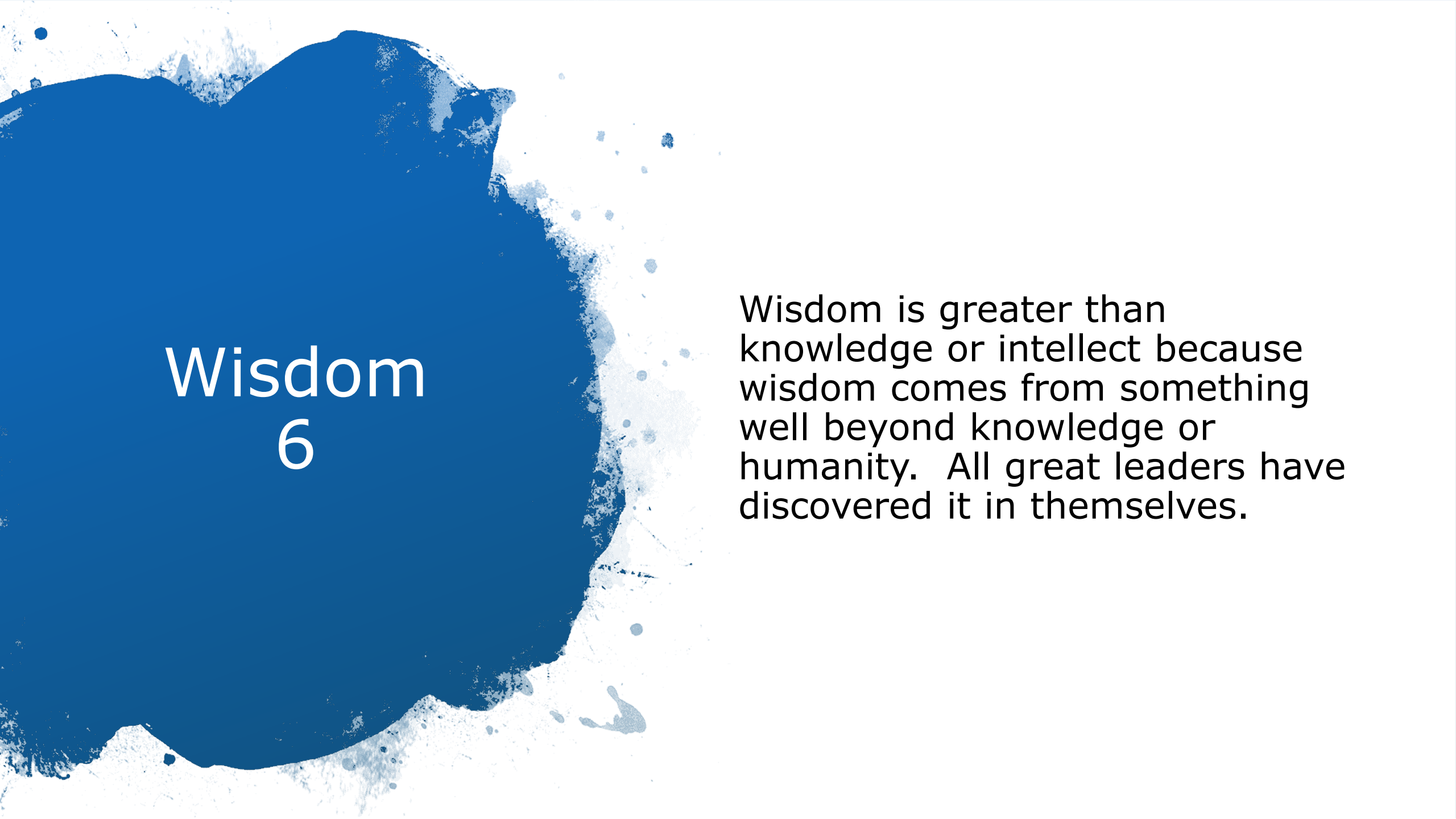
It is keenness without fear for demanding work, and is the antidote for laxity.

# Meditation 5

“The heart of the spiritual path is the longing to know and to be your true and authentic self.”

Meditation will help you discover this truly authentic self and enhance your leadership skills exponentially—the more you meditate and learn to focus your mind the better leader you will be.





# Wisdom 6

Wisdom is greater than knowledge or intellect because wisdom comes from something well beyond knowledge or humanity. All great leaders have discovered it in themselves.



水滴石穿，绳锯木断

WATER DROPS PIERCE STONE;  
ROPE SAWS CUT WOOD.

*Chinese Saying*

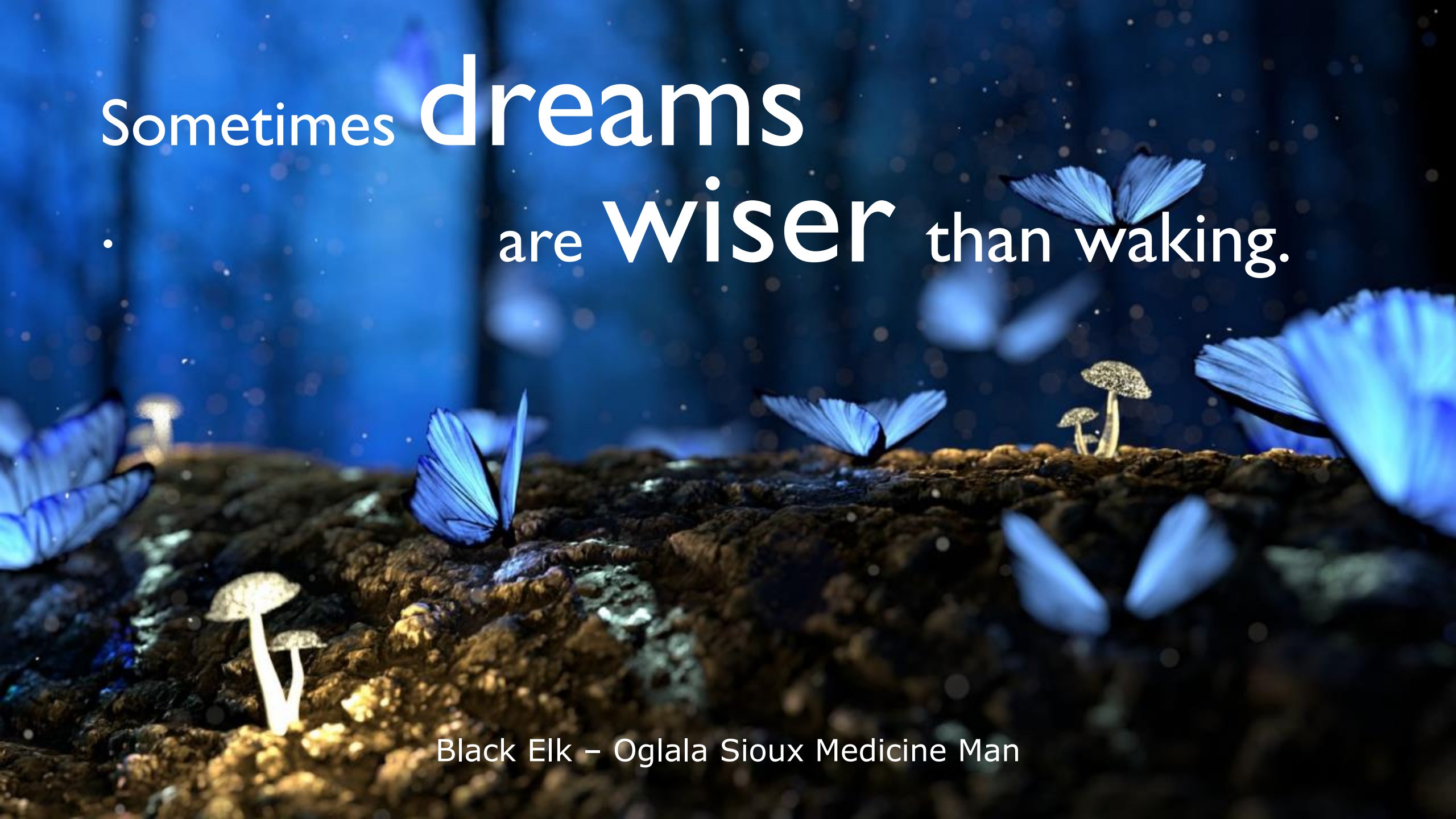
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Leadership is so simple...  
Try it.  
I'll bet you'll like it...

Thanks for joining me  
today...

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A dreamlike scene featuring several glowing blue butterflies and small, glowing mushrooms on a dark, textured surface. The background is a deep blue with a starry, ethereal quality. The text is overlaid in white, with 'dreams' and 'wiser' in a larger font.

Sometimes **dreams**  
are **wiser** than waking.

Black Elk – Oglala Sioux Medicine Man