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such a fragile thing!

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years . . .

with all the opportunities and potential that each new day can bring . . .
each new day dawning fresh with no mistakes in it.

The hopes and dreams of a parent, or a child, of a spouse, or a family can be
tied up in a life.

The future of a town or a country, or a people can be changed forever by a life
lived
or changed forever by a life lost.

Life is so fragile.

To take it, to end it, is easy with a weapon; with a war.

But to preserve it,
to blend it with all the others,
to work out the differences.
to celebrate the diversity,
to be blessed by the strengths
to support the weaknesses,
that is the challenge,
that is where the need for skill and courage lays.

That is the real strength
that can build a family,
a town,
a country, or a people,
and a world at Peace!

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- **April 14th marks the 5th anniversary** of the abduction of the 276 young women from the **Chibok** School. 100 of them are still missing; some may be dead. Remember all of them and their families. Remember all others abducted, displaced, killed. . .
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