

The Rabbi and the Pearl

The students of Rabbi Simeon bought a donkey from a merchant to assist their teacher in his livelihood of selling flax. His students found a costly pearl attached to the neck of the donkey, and they said, "Rabbi, you will not have to labor any more -- we found this precious gem on the donkey."

Rabbi Simeon responded, " Does the seller know of this pearl?"
They answered, "No."

The sage then said, "I bought a donkey, not a pearl." The jewel was returned.

"People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will slip and fall." Prov. 10:9

"Integrity is doing the right thing even when no one is watching." - [C. S. Lewis](#)

"The measure of a man's real character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out." - [Thomas Macaulay](#)