

Emerson's *Self-Reliance* (Lecture Notes)

- ◀ Introductory Epilogue (539)
 - Focus on individual
 - Man's communion with Nature

- ◀ Reference to great thinkers: Moses, Plato, Milton (539); were true to themselves and their own thoughts

- ◀ Trust thyself: "[E]very heart beats to that iron string" (540)

- ◀ Tell the truth (540)

- ◀ Difference in language/comparison to Franklin's Autobiography (541)

- ◀ Individual versus group (541); "Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of our own mind"

- ◀ Question of good deed-doers; comparison to Franklin's Autobiography (542)

- ◀ What do we fight against? Why? (543)
 - Conformity
 - Consistency

- ◀ Truth=Nature (545)

- ◀ Discussion of Prayer (551)

- ◀ Discussion of Travel (553)

- ◀ Powerful Soul of Man (555)

- ◀ "Nothing can bring you peace but yourself. Nothing can bring you peace but the triumph of principles" (556)