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“It would be so much easier just to fold our hands and not make this fight.

To say, I, as one man, can do nothing.

I grow afraid only when I see people thinking and acting like this.

We all know the story about the man who sat beside the trail too long and then it grew over and he could never find his way again.

We can never forget what has happened but we cannot go back nor can we just sit beside the trail.”

- pîhtokahânapiwiyin (Chief Poundmaker)

“I would rather leave my children the legitimacy of struggle than to leave them with a settlement they cannot live with.”

- Grand Chief George Manuel

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