"With Earth's first Clay they did the Last Man Knead And there of the Last Harvest sow'd the Seed: And the first Morning of Creation wrote What the last Dawn of Reckoning shall read."
FitzGerald, *The Rubáiyát of Omar Khayyám.*

"A hypothesis or theory is clear, decisive, and positive, but it is believed by no one but the man who created it. Experimental findings, on the other hand, are messy, inexact things, which are believed by everyone except the man who did that work."
Harlow Shapley, *Through Rugged Ways to the Stars*

"Who are you who are so wise in the ways of science?"
Sir Bedemir to King Arthur in *Monty Python and the Holy Grail.*

"To me, one of the hallmarks of an educated person is to know your own limits; to know, in effect, how much you do not know. As a lover of learning, I, of course, want to know everything. Alas, but I am doomed to failure. For a wise person once told me, "The bigger my island of knowledge becomes, the larger my perimeter of ignorance grows!"