

### **Some insights or themes in Khaled Hosseini's novel *The Kite Runner***

1. *A shameful event in one's youth may take many years to overcome, if at all*
2. *A true friendship may demand great loyalty.*
3. *Religious or social differences may get in the way of true friendship.*
4. *War disrupts the lives of many people and relationships.*
5. *When migrating to another country one's traditions are carried into the new world.*
6. *One's shameful past may stay with you forever.*
7. *To develop a sense of integrity and character one may have to sacrifice.*
8. *One can redeem the past through sacrifice.*
9. *Loyalty in friendship is a great thing.*
10. *To know one's past may help to better understand one's present.*
11. *To adopt a child from another country often involves complex international bureaucracy.*
12. *To build positive human relationships is one of the greatest treasures of living.*
13. *To share one's shameful past with another human being has the potential to lead to great intimacy and understanding.*
14. *Having a friendship and close relationship is not to be taken lightly.*
15. *Harsh and arbitrary rule of a government produces disastrous results.*
16. *Giving birth to a child may be more difficult than it appears.*
17. *Forgiveness is possible in facing one's past, but may be difficult and demands a change of attitude and action to be real.*
18. *Building a new relationship with an adopted child may demand great patience to build trust with a hurt child.*
19. *Adapting to a new country may be difficult, especially for adults who hold on to the values and traditions of their home country.*