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— **Qur'an Surah Al-Insyirah (94:6)**

"Freedom is my signature."
— **Khvicha Kvaratskhelia**

"We don't quit. That's not who we are."
— **Simon "ghost" Riley**

"Don't trust anyone too much, remember the devil was once an angel."
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