There are sixteen words in the Scout Law. The Law does not say, “A Scout is tall, handsome, rich or smart.” Why is that? Because a young man cannot choose to be tall, or rich, or those other things that are beyond his control. However, he does have choices to make. He can choose to listen to you when you are down, to respect your religion, to clean up after himself, and to keep the crew’s spirits up on the trail. These characteristics are what comprise the Scout Law. When I think about the men who have made a difference in my life, I think about the ones who have made the choice to take the harder path and go above and beyond what others do. The Scout Law is harder path on the map.

It is your choice. You can choose to be that kind of man.