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cherish

To cherish. To bring the past
Into loving perspective and value
Those things that made us who
And what we are, even when they
May have been damned challenging.
Cherish and carefully protect the
Life you have, the relationships you
Nourish, the community that encourages,
And the Earth on which you live. Cherish.
Remember them. Honor them. Go ahead,
Spoil them a little (no, not a lot, a little.)
Use Winter's chilly beauty as an opportunity
To settle down inside and tell stories of
Peace gone by. And then learn from them.

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