

# Ken To Wa Kokoro Nari (剣とは心なり)

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## Japanese:

剣とは心なり。

心正しければその剣正し。

心正しからざればその剣もまた正しからず。

剣を学ばんとするものわすべからくその心を学べ。

## Japanese (Hepburn Romanization):

Ken to wa kokoro nari.

Kokoro tadashi kereba, sono ken tadashi.

Kokoro tadashi karazareba, sono ken mo mata tadashi karazu.

Ken wo manaban to suru mono wa subekaraku sono kokoro wo manabe.

## English:

The sword is the mind.

When the mind is right, the sword is right.

When the mind is not right, the sword is also not right.

He, who wishes to study kendo, must first study his mind.