

My Favorite Quotes

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A BOOK
BY ITS COVER**



INTRODUCTION:

"Words are pale shadows of forgotten names. As names have power, words have power. Words can light fires in the minds of men. Words can wring tears from the hardest hearts." - Patrick Rothfuss

THESE ARE SOME OF MY FAVORITE QUOTES FROM VARIOUS AUTHORS:

[THOUGHTS ON GOOD AND EVIL]

"The LOVE of money is the root of all evil." – Found in a letter from the Apostle Paul to a young pastor named Timothy [Timothy 6:10]

"The Lord works in mysterious ways." – [UNKNOWN AUTHOR] Often used by Benjamin Franklin Perhaps from a poem by William Cowper (who lived 1731–1800), whose first stanza reads, "God moves in a mysterious way, His wonders to perform; He plants His footsteps in the sea, And rides upon the storm."

"God helps those who help themselves." – English political theorist Algernon Sidney later used by Benjamin Franklin in his Poor Richard's Almanack

"I suppose the best way for the creator to hide his most prized possession that being the secrets of the universe would be to hide it within the thoughts of an imbecile. A place where no one would ever look and if discovered would quickly be discarded by the intellect." – Thomas Smith

"I think one may be fooling themselves if they believe that they're anymore unique to God than a cow or a pig is unique to humankind. Eternal bliss may infact be a higher form of depravity and/or slavery, as in occultism what happens on a lower level of reality also happens on a higher level, in other words as above so below." – Thomas Smith

"One might say through God's mistakes, this is how we will map the genome and someday become Gods ourselves." – Thomas Smith

"The greatest trick the devil ever pulled was convincing the world he didn't exist." – from 19th century French poet Charles Baudelaire's.

"He who does not punish evil commands it to be done." – Leonardo da Vinci

"Cleanliness is next to Godliness." – Credited to John Wesley's 1778 sermon, "Cleanliness is indeed next to godliness"

"Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall." – Proverbs 16:18

... Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

"On this plane of existence, order does not exist without chaos, nor pleasure without pain. It is all in the contrast of our existence, that one can see the opposite aspect clearly. This is the duality of man's existence. You see, one can not know eternal bliss without eternal suffering nor can one be truly free without first being enslaved. If not contrarily one simply just is, and what may I ask is the fun of that?" – Thomas Smith

"As one would say every horse crosses the finish line but only one horse wins the race of course. However, what happens to the horse that falls down right outside the starting gates? You see this horse has no chance of winning the race even if he tries, but does that mean we give up on him entirely? A pessimist being critical would simply say yes, nonetheless this horse still may have something to offer us if even just in jest. Recognizing that from its inception the race was just for our amusement and if one applies this logic to our mortality this life God has given us this great race if you will from its inception our smiles, our cries, the good and the bad were just that, solely for God's amusement." – Thomas Smith

[THOUGHTS ON INTEGRITY AND CHARACTER]

"Supporting the truth, even when it is unpopular, shows the capacity for honesty and integrity." – Steve Brunkhorst

"Admitting one's own faults is the first step to changing them, and it is a demonstration of true bravery and integrity." – Philip Johnson

"Great and Good are seldom the same man." – Winston Churchill

"Desiring women has nothing to do with being a man. To be a man you must have the desire to attain character and personal integrity along with having courage in the face of life's ordeals." – Thomas Smith

"Our character is not defined in the good times, but rather in the hard times." – Paul Brodie

"Whether you think you can or think you can't you're right." – Henry Ford

"It always seems impossible until it's done." – Nelson Mandela

"Any man can overcome adversity. If you truly want to test a man's character, give him power." – Abraham Lincoln

"Great things are done by people who are stupid enough to believe they too can achieve greatness." – Thomas Smith

"There is no great genius without some touch of madness." – Aristotle

"The best way to convince somebody to your way of thinking is to convince them it

was their idea in the first place." – Thomas Smith

"The difference between stupidity and genius is that genius has its limits." – Unknown Author

"A true measure of intelligence is the ability to adapt to change." – Thomas Smith

"Sometimes our limitations work to our advantage, streamlining our intentions. Opposed to having an abundance of choices leading us to utter complacency." – Thomas Smith

[THOUGHTS ON DEATH]

"One could say the reality of the dying process begins at the anticipation of one's own death. To be ignorant of death like a child for even a brief time, must be true bliss. Unfortunately even children must grow to know the cruelty of this actuality. One could say that in the end, and the end is inevitable, it is better to die game. Better to be hunted like prey, dying without anticipation rather than sitting there for years in affliction dwindling away at death's door. The ultimate spoiler being to live is to die, to die is to have lived. You see we start dying the moment we come to this realization." – Thomas Smith

"Every man dies. Not every man really lives." – The Scottish Revolutionary 'William Wallace'

"Everyone dies, but not every person truly lives." – Modernized for the Scottish Revolutionary 'William Wallace'

"Since everything that ever lived has died, and everything alive is going to die, then obviously the when and the how doesn't really matter if one thinks about it intellectually." – Thomas Smith

"If you cover every vulnerability in the end your ultimately killing the very thing you were trying to protect in the first place. My conclusion is "life is risk..." cause without it as they say "the only man without something to lose is the dead man."– Thomas Smith

"Life is as simple as it is tragic. One desires, empathy, pain, these things maybe unique to human kind but one's own path to disintegration universal as a flickering star." – Thomas Smith

"An era can be said to end when its basic illusions are exhausted." – Arthur Miller

"Everything has a date of termination, of course it is common knowledge that nothing lasts forever. With this as a constant it should bring to mind that the clock is ticking, and we have to grasp our opportunities now that the fuse has been lit. Whilst keeping in mind that this fuse burns even quicker toward its end. This inevitable conclusion is not inviting to anyone or anything as it is inescapable and

comes indiscriminately for all." – Thomas Smith

"I have come to the conclusion that there are no happy endings on this planet we call Earth. Whether you are the good, the bad, or just the ugly the end is unpleasant for everyone here without exception. If one thinks about this astutely expecting life to end like a fairy tale is man's humane solution to his unfortunate predicament. These delusions if you will in the end are just simply the survival mechanisms of madmen." – Thomas Smith

"If you're frightened of dying and you're holding on, you'll see devils tearing your life away. If you've made your peace, then the devils are really angels freeing you from the earth." – Meister Eckhart

[THOUGHTS ON TECHNOLOGY]

"Smartphones are just adult pacifiers for people who submit to the control of their so called elite masters." – Thomas Smith

"Is it just me, or did technology cause more problems than it solved? Technology these days is mostly about solving the problems that we didn't have until the implementation of this said technology... But still should we call this technological age, progress? When we have more problems and vulnerabilities than we started with." – Thomas Smith

"Man's greatest rival is the hidden truth behind why his own creations will make him weak and obsolete. Only then will we know what God knows, fear of his own creations." – Thomas Smith

[THOUGHTS ON CONFLICT]

"In the end of days war will find its ultimate defeat through its destructive victory." – Thomas Smith

"And, while I am out to cull men, how many of them shall I lead to slaughter until I too am culled." – Thomas Smith

"Look to where your rivals fortify and to where they attack. For their vulnerabilities are always hidden behind what they protect and the psychology of their attacks reveal their own insecurities and weaknesses." – Thomas Smith

"Be like water making its way through cracks. Do not be assertive, but adjust to the object, and you shall find a way around or through it. If nothing within you stays rigid, outward things will disclose themselves. Empty your mind, be formless. Shapeless, like water. If you put water into a cup, it becomes the cup. You put water into a bottle and it becomes the bottle. You put it in a teapot, it becomes the teapot. Now, water can flow or it can crash. Be water, my friend." – Bruce Lee

"Cowards die many times before their death. The valiant never taste of death but once." – Shakespeare

"Courage is not the absence of fear; true courage is manifest in bravely doing what has to be done in spite of fears or foes or the foolishness of the crowd or the taunts of the group. True courage is doing the right thing in spite of the odds or opposition or apprehension." – Emerson Roy West

"Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the assessment that something else is more important than fear." – Franklin D. Roosevelt

"Whenever you use force there will be resistance, does not the pacifist raise his palms to shield himself? As western thinking goes, without the use of reverse psychology and perplexing them with confusing doublespeak one cannot lead dissident minds to any acceptable conclusions." – Thomas Smith

"True courage is not found in those where fear is forgotten, but rather in one's pervasiveness and boldness despite their trepidation." – Thomas Smith

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[THOUGHTS ON PSYCHOLOGY]

"Freewill is an illusion, we are all mirrors reflecting what we see, rooted in our psychology is just the reflection of the way we've been treated." – Thomas Smith

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"You can always trust a psychopath. Rest assured a psychopath will never commit a selfless act unless such an act is for their own self preservation. In short, you can always count on them to be simply that predictable." – Thomas Smith

"Nothing can match the charm of one's own imagination. To have a reality one must have of course fantasized. Our reality is just how we perceive things through our own imagination. As our imagination becomes a new-found reality, realize that fantasy often eclipses reality, and who's to say reality was not but a dream within a dream." – Thomas Smith

"It is no measure of health to be well-adjusted to a profoundly sick society" – Jiddu Krisnamurti

We have created vast, sprawling, global and influential industries to adjust ourselves to the profound sickness that envelops our society. Big Pharma, the Media and Educational system are tasked with facilitating complacency to the sickness of

our society conforming us to that of the majority.

"Can't see the forest for the trees" – Frederick Engels

"Hope is a cruel master he is always on the horizon whipping us slaves into submission so that we can keep stepping forward in the faith that our lives will get better as soon as we catch up to that carrot dangling in front of us." – Thomas Smith

"In a way it is good to be the beggar, knowing that the beggar has nothing to lose and everything to gain." – Thomas Smith

"Pair bonding is a mutually inclusive relationship; if only one is making an effort to unite the whole then this is not a joined set but rather this relationship is mutually exclusive. The other is just stuck until it either alters its focus and becomes perceptive or transmutes back into a single or solitary entity." – Thomas Smith

"You can't refute ignorance, it exists, and it is definitely easy for one to acquire. Whether or not it exists within you is initially the question every intellectual has asked themselves. This of course is the emergence of every brilliant mind that has ever prevailed over idiocy." – Thomas Smith

"If one man's pain is another man's joy, then one ought to be appreciative of his own suffering for this duality is fundamentally universal in its essence and not alien on either side. You see it's merely a perception." – Thomas Smith

"There in nothing truly original under the sun, everything is borrowed and embellished, the entirety is of course a progression or an elaboration of previous works. Whether it be music, art or technology if it were completely original nobody would get it and being so alien to their way of thinking nobody would even want to." – Thomas Smith

[THOUGHTS ON SECRECY]

"Man is not what he thinks he is, he is what he hides." – André Malraux

"A secret's worth depends on the people from whom it must be kept." – Carlos Ruiz Zafón

"If you want to keep a secret, you must also hide it from yourself." – George Orwell

"Secrecy is the key to all of man's ambitions. Driven by a persona or mask which is his purpose, only becoming complacent when his true self is discovered." – Thomas Smith

"When all are deceived only the fool sees the truth." – Anonymous

[CUTTING THE HEAD OFF THE HYDRA]

"None are so hopelessly enslaved, as those who falsely believe they are free. The truth has been kept from the depth of their minds by masters who rule them with lies. They feed them on falsehoods till wrong looks like right in their eyes." – Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

"Absolute power corrupts absolutely" – The politician John Emerich Edward Dalberg Acton, known simply as Lord Acton

"Wherever they burn books, in the end they will also burn human beings." – Heinrich Heine a Berlin-based poet Heinrich Heine's infamous quote is now immortalized on a plaque adorning a memorial at Bebelplatz, the site of one of the Nazis' most infamous book burning ceremonies.

"Those who begin by burning books, end by burning bodies ." – Modernized for Heinrich Heine

"Having an illusion of choice does not mean one lives in freedom. For the elite have hedged their bets and played both sides of every debate, so that the house will always win over its tired servants intentions." – Thomas Smith

"Our hacktivism is not a mirror held up to those who rule but a hammer with which to undo their policies." – Anonymous

"Gulled are we, under the illusion of freedom. So that never have the free, been so unknowingly enslaved." – Thomas Smith

"The duty of a patriot is to protect his country from its government." – Edward Abbey

"One could say a civilization that is always correct would not learn to be self-critical through retrospect & reflection. It would not learn critical lessons and therefore would never grow. You see we learn more from our mistakes." – Thomas Smith

"There is no telling what empty minds can achieve for the objectives of a totalitarian party. Sending the cattle on a stampede toward endless war and unceasing slavery. Although in the end can one complain about receiving what they've willingly earned." – Thomas Smith

[MOVIE QUOTES]

"What if dog really spelled cat." – 'Meat' from 'Revenge of the Nerds'

"What if boy really spelled girl." – If 'Meat' from 'Revenge of the Nerds' were a

deep thinking feminist.

"Keep your friends close, but your enemies closer." – attributed to Sun Tzu and the Art of War... this specific phrasing came straight from the pens of 'Mario Puzo and Francis Ford Coppola' screenwriters of The Godfather, Part II.

"Hello. My name is Indigo Montoya. You killed my father. Prepare to die." – Indigo Montoya from the movie 'The Princess Bride'

"Get busy living or get busy dying." – Andy Dufresne from Stephen King's book 'The Shaw shank Redemption'

"They may take our lives, but they'll never take our freedom!" – William Wallace from the Movie 'Braveheart'

"Somebody help me, I'm being spontaneous!" – Truman Burbank from the Truman Show

"If everything you have ever done was wrong, then doing the opposite of that would be the correct path to take in the future." – The Great Philosopher George Costanza

"In case I don't see ya, good afternoon, good evening, and good night!" – The free man Truman Burbank from 'The Truman Show'

"Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while you could miss it." – Ferris Bueller from the movie 'Ferris Bueller's Day Off'

"We accept the reality of the world with which we're presented. It's as simple as that." – Christof from 'The Truman Show'

[FUNNY QUOTES]

"When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President. I'm beginning to believe it." – Clarence Darrow

"Age is an issue of mind over matter. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter." – Mark Twain

"I was thinking about how people seem to read the Bible a whole lot more as they get older; then it dawned on me... they're cramming for their final exam." – George Carlin

"To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research." – Steven Wright

"My doctor gave me six months to live, but when I couldn't pay the bill he gave me six months more." – Walter Matthau

"The surest sign that intelligent life exists elsewhere in the universe is that it

has never tried to contact us." – Bill Watterson

"According to a new survey, 90% of men say their lover is also their best friend. Which is really kind of disturbing when you consider man's best friend is his dog. Well as long as you have a steady supply of peanut butter that is." – Jay Leno

"You can observe a lot by just watching." – Yogi Berra

"The only reason some people get lost in thought is because it's unfamiliar territory." – Paul Fix

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