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Mikhail Alexandrovich Bakunin (May 30, 1814June 13, 1876) was a well known Russian anarchist. He was best known as one of the first generation of anarchist philosophers, and has been called one of the "fathers of anarchism".

The passion for destruction is also a creative passion.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

Freedom, morality, and the human dignity of the individual consists precisely in this; that he does good not because he is forced to do so, but because he freely conceives it, wants it, and loves it.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

Idealism is the despot of thought, just as politics is the despot of will.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

I am truly free only when all human beings, men and women, are equally free. The freedom of other men, far from negating or limiting my freedom, is, on the contrary, its necessary premise and confirmation.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

Does it follow that I reject all authority? Perish the thought. In the matter of boots, I defer to the authority of the boot-maker.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

To revolt is a natural tendency of life. Even a worm turns against the foot that crushes it. In general, the vitality and relative dignity of an animal can be measured by the intensity of its instinct to revolt.

- Bakunin, Mikhail

The first revolt is against the supreme tyranny of theology, of the phantom of God. As long as we have a master in heaven, we will be slaves on earth.

- Bakunin, Mikhail





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