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Opinions alter, manners change, creeds rise and fall, but the moral laws are written on the table of eternity.

- Acton, Lord

Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

- Acton, Lord

A wise person does at once, what a fool does at last. Both do the same thing; only at different times.

- Acton, Lord

The danger is not that a particular class is unfit to govern. Every class is unfit to govern.

- Acton, Lord

There is not so variable a thing in nature as a lady's head-dress.

- Addison, Joseph

Authors have established it as a kind of rule, that a man ought to be dull sometimes; as the most severe reader makes allowances for many rests and nodding-places in a voluminous writer.

- Addison, Joseph

What sculpture is to a block of marble, education is to an human soul.

- Addison, Joseph

Our friends don't see our faults, or conceal them, or soften them.

- Addison, Joseph

The friendships of the world are oft confederacies in vice, or leagues of pleasures.

- Addison, Joseph

As vivacity is the gift of women, gravity is that of men.

- Addison, Joseph

Better to die ten thousand deaths than wound my honor.

- Addison, Joseph

Music, the greatest good that mortals know, And all of heaven we have below.

- Addison, Joseph

Nothing is capable of being well set to music that is not nonsense.

- Addison, Joseph

What pity is it That we can die, but once to serve our country.

- Addison, Joseph

Their is no defense against criticism except obscurity.

- Addison, Joseph

See in what peace a Christian can die.

- Addison, Joseph

When asked what he would do if he only had six months to live: Type faster.

- Asimov, Isaac

Never let your sense of morals get in the way of doing what's right.

- Asimov, Isaac

Self-education is, I firmly believe, the only kind of education there is.

- Asimov, Isaac

I am not a speed reader. I am a speed understander.

- Asimov, Isaac

A classic is a book that has never finished saying what it has to say.

- Calvino, Italo

A truly great book should be read in youth, again in maturity and once more in old age, as a fine building should be seen by morning light, at noon and by moonlight.

- Davies, Robertson

Show me the books he loves and I shall know the man far better than through mortal friends.

- Adams, Dawn

Of all the diversions of life, there is none so proper to fill up its empty spaces as the reading of useful and entertaining authors.

- Addison, Joseph

In the case of good books, the point is not how many of them you can get through, but rather how many can get through to you.

- Adler, Mortimer J.

Reading is a basic tool in the living of a good life.

- Adler, Mortimer J.

That is a good book which is opened with expectation, and closed with delight and profit.

- Alcott, Amos Bronson

Beware of the person of one book.

- Aquinas, St. Thomas

Where is human nature so weak as in the bookstore?

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Read Homer once, and you can read no more. For all books else appear so mean, and so poor. Verse will seem prose; but still persist to read, and Homer will be all the books you need.

- Buckingham, Duke of

There are books of which the backs and covers are by far the best parts.

- Dickens, Charles

There is an art of reading, as well as an art of thinking, and an art of writing.

- Disraeli, Isaac

Never judge a book by its movie.

- Eagan, J. W.

You will find most books worth reading are worth reading twice.

- Morely, John

A bibliophile of little means is likely to suffer often. Books don't slip from his hands but fly past him through the air, high as birds, high as prices.

- Neruda, Pablo

A classic is something that everybody wants to have read and nobody wants to read.

- Twain, Mark

People are much more willing to lend you books than bookcases.

- Twain, Mark

My books are water; those of the great geniuses are wine -- everybody drinks water.

- Twain, Mark

The man who does not read books has no advantage over the man that can not read them.

- Twain, Mark

Reading the Scriptures is an uplifting experience.

- Unknown, Source

Books had instant replay long before televised sports.

- Williams, Bert

The reason a writer writes a book is to forget a book and the reason a reader reads one is to remember it.

- Wolfe, Thomas

To read too many books is harmful.

- Zedong, Mao

Theology is a science of mind applied to God.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Theology is but our ideas of truth classified and arranged.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Division has done more to hide Christ from the view of all men than all the infidelity that has ever been spoken.

- Macdonald, George

As the grace grows nearer my theology is growing strangely simple, and it begins and ends with Christ as the only Savior of the lost.

- Whipple, Henry Benjamin

God brings men into deep waters not to drown them, but to cleanse them.

- Aughey, John H.

I went to the root of things, and found nothing but Him alone.

- Bai, Mira

People see God every day; they just don't recognize Him.

- Bailey, Pearl

One and God make a majority.

- Douglass, Frederick

Man proposes, but God disposes.

- Kempis, Thomas

Nothing hath separated us from God but our own will, or rather our own will is our separation from God.

- Law, William

I fear God and next to God I mostly fear them that fear him not.

- Saadi

Among the attributes of God, although they are equal, mercy shines with even more

brilliance than justice.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

To know the will of God is the greatest knowledge! To do the will of God is the greatest achievement.

- Truett, George W.

Each person, makes their own terrible passion their God.

- Virgil

If God would have wanted us to live in a permissive society He would have given us Ten Suggestions and not Ten Commandments.

- Ziglar, Zig

I find that doing of the will of God leaves me no time for disputing about His plans.

- Macdonald, George

Man is a dog's ideal of what God should be.

- Mairaux, Andre

If triangles made a god, they would give him three sides.

- Montesquieu, Charles De

God hath entrusted me with myself.

- Epictetus

Femininity appears to be one of those pivotal qualities that is so important no one can define it.

- Bird, Caroline

Our Congress is the finest body of men money can buy.

- Amsterdam, Maury

Government is the great fiction, through which everybody endeavors to live at the expense of everybody else.

- Bastiat, Frederic

The worst thing in the world next to anarchy, is government.

- Beecher, Henry Ward

Good government is the outcome of private virtue.

- Chapman, John Jay

Though the people support the government; the government should not support the people.

- Cleveland, Grover

Nations it may be have fashioned their Governments, but the Governments have paid them back in the same coin.

- Conrad, Joseph

You can only govern men by serving them. The rule is without exception.

- Cousin, Victor

The government solution to a problem is usually as bad as the problem.

- Friedman, Milton

Governments never learn. Only people learn.

- Friedman, Milton

It is the duty of government to make it difficult for people to do wrong, easy to do right.

- Gladstone, William E.

The best government is that which teaches us to govern ourselves.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

Remember that a government big enough to give you everything you want is also big enough to take away everything you have.

- Crockett, Davy

Nothing is more destructive of respect for the government and the law of the land than passing laws which cannot be enforced.

- Einstein, Albert

There are no necessary evils in government. Its evils exist only in its abuses.

- Jackson, Andrew

I have no ambition to govern men. It is a painful and thankless office

- Jefferson, Thomas

Any party which takes credit for the rain must not be surprised if its opponents blame it for the drought.

- Morrow, Dwight Whitney

Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys.

- O'Rourke, P. J.

Society in every state is a blessing, but Government, even in its best state, is but a necessary evil; in its worst state, an intolerable one.

- Paine, Thomas

Today, if you invent a better mousetrap, the government comes along with a better mouse.

- Reagan, Ronald

A government is the only vessel that leaks from the top.

- Reston, James

The ship of state is the only known vessel that leaks from the top.

- Reston, James

I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts.

- Rogers, Will

Be thankful we're not getting all the government we're paying for.

- Rogers, Will

It is the duty of the President to propose and it is the privilege of the Congress to dispose.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

Government is like a baby. An alimentary canal with a big appetite at one end and no sense of responsibility at the other.

- Reagan, Ronald

Government does not solve problems; it subsidizes them.

- Reagan, Ronald

It is easy to rule over the good.

- Plautus, Titus Maccius

There is no nonsense so arrant that it cannot be made the creed of the vast majority by adequate government action.

- Russell, Bertrand

It is dangerous to be right when the government is wrong.

- Voltaire

The best government is a benevolent tyranny tempered by an occasional assassination.

- Voltaire

In our consumer confidence surveys, we ask people whether they think government economic policy is good, fair, or poor. Increasingly, the answer we get is just plain laughter.

- Schmiedeskamp, Jay

Society is well governed when its people obey the magistrates, and the magistrates obey the law.

- Solon

Through zeal, knowledge is gotten; through lack of zeal, knowledge is lost.

- Buddha

I do not love a man who is zealous for nothing.

- Goldsmith, Oliver

True valor lies between cowardice and rashness.

- Cervantes, Miguel De

The surrender of life is nothing to sinking down into acknowledgment of inferiority.

- Calhoun, John C.

The Government of the absolute majority instead of the Government of the people is but the Government of the strongest interests; and when not efficiently checked, it is the most tyrannical and oppressive that can be devised.

- Calhoun, John C.

An archaeologist is the best husband a woman can have; the older she gets the more interested he is in her.

- Christie, Agatha

Curious things, habits. People themselves never knew they had them.

- Christie, Agatha

In those days he was wiser than he is now -- he used frequently to take my advice.

- Churchill, Winston

The problems of victory are more agreeable than those of defeat, but they are no less difficult.

- Churchill, Winston

It has been said that Democracy is the worst form of government except all those other forms that have been tried from time to time.

- Churchill, Winston

Difficulties mastered are opportunities won.

- Churchill, Winston

The nose of the bulldog has been slanted backwards so that he can breathe without letting go.

- Churchill, Winston

No comment is a splendid expression. I am using it again and again.

- Churchill, Winston

A fanatic is one who can't change his mind and won't change the subject.

- Churchill, Winston

It is better to be frightened now than killed hereafter

- Churchill, Winston

I have been brought up and trained to have the utmost contempt for people who get drunk.

- Churchill, Winston

I have taken more out of alcohol than alcohol has taken out of me.

- Churchill, Winston

I was not the lion, but it fell to me to give the lion's roar.

- Churchill, Winston

The greatest lesson in life is to know that even fools are right sometimes.

- Churchill, Winston

There are a terrible lot of lies going about the world, and the worst of it is that half of them are true.

- Churchill, Winston

Personally, I'm always ready to learn, although I do not always like being taught.

- Churchill, Winston

Always remember, a cat looks down on man, a dog looks up to man, but a pig will look man right in the eye and see his equal.

- Churchill, Winston

When the eagles are silent the parrots begin to jabber.

- Churchill, Winston

Solitary trees, if they grow at all, grow strong.

- Churchill, Winston

We are stripped bare by the curse of plenty.

- Churchill, Winston

If I was your wife Sir, I'd poison you! Madam, if you were my wife, I'd let you!

- Churchill, Winston

This report, by its very length, defends itself against the risk of being read.

- Churchill, Winston

I have never developed indigestion from eating my words.

- Churchill, Winston

Eating words has never given me indigestion.

- Churchill, Winston

There is no finer investment for any community than putting milk into babies.

- Churchill, Winston

Nothing is so exhilarating in life as to be shot at with no result.

- Churchill, Winston

The substance of the eminent Socialist gentlemen's speech is that making a profit is a sin. It is my belief that the real sin is taking a loss!

- Churchill, Winston

Courage is the first of human qualities because it is the quality which guarantees all others.

- Churchill, Winston

He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire.

- Churchill, Winston

Short words are the best and old words when short are best of all.

- Churchill, Winston

The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see.

- Churchill, Winston

If we open a quarrel between the past and the present, we shall find we have lost the future.

- Churchill, Winston

My most brilliant achievement was my ability to be able to persuade my wife to marry me.

- Churchill, Winston

Grief walks upon the heels of pleasure; married in haste, we repent at leisure.

- Congreve, William

Blessings ever wait on virtuous deeds, and though a late, a sure reward succeeds.

- Congreve, William

I know that's a secret, for it's whispered everywhere.

- Congreve, William

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