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Quotes about Celibacy

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How deep a wound to morals and social purity has that accursed article of the celibacy of the clergy been! Even the best and most enlightened men in Romanist countries attach a notion of impurity to the marriage of a clergyman. And can such a feeling be without its effect on the estimation of the wedded life in general? Impossible! and the morals of both sexes in Spain, Italy, France, and. prove it abundantly.

- Coleridge, Samuel Taylor

I think that one of the qualifications of artists should be a vow of celibacy. They should be confined to ruining only their own lives.

- Lewis, Roger

Marriage may often be a stormy lake, but celibacy is almost always a muddy horse pond.

- Peacock, Thomas Love

Celibacy is not just a matter of not having sex. It is a way of admiring a person for their humanity, maybe even for their beauty.

- Radcliffe, Timothy

A celibate, like the fly in the heart of an apple, dwells in a perpetual sweetness, but sits alone, and is confined and dies in singularity.

- Taylor, Jeremy



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