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# Quotes about Conquest

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Conquest is the missionary of valor, and the hard impact of military virtues beats meanness out of the world.

- Bagehot, Walter

We are a conquering race. We must obey our blood and occupy new markets and if necessary new lands.

- Beveridge, Albert J.

In our own time we have seen domination spread over the social landscape to a point where it is beyond all human control. Compared to this stupendous mobilization of materials, of wealth, of human intellect, of human labor for the single goal of domination, all other recent human achievements pale to almost trivial significance. Our art, science, medicine, literature, music and charitable acts seem like mere droppings from a table on which gory feasts on the spoils of conquest have engaged the attention of a system whose appetite for rule is utterly unrestrained.

- Bookchin, Murray

Roused by the lash of his own stubborn tail our lion now will foreign foes assail.

- Dryden, John

The desire to conquer is itself a sort of subjection.

- Eliot, George

I have tamed men of iron in my day, shall I not easily crush these men of butter?

- Ferdinand Alvarez De Toledo, Duke of Alba

Life yields only to the conqueror. Never accept what can be gained by giving in. You will be living off stolen goods, and your muscles will atrophy.

- Hammarskjold, Dag

If there be one principle more deeply rooted than any other in the mind of every American, it is that we should have nothing to do with conquest.

- Jefferson, Thomas

If conquerors be regarded as the engine-drivers of History, then the conquerors of thought are perhaps the pointsmen who, less conspicuous to the traveler's eye, determine the direction of the journey.

- Koestler, Arthur

It should be noted that when he seizes a state the new ruler ought to determine all the injuries that he will need to inflict. He should inflict them once and for all, and not have to renew them every day.

- Machiavelli, Niccolo







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