

Abigail Adams Quotes

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Hero, Perseverance, Character, Children, Inspirational, Father, Mind,
Government, Blessing, Retirement*

Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and diligence.

~Abigail Adams

If particular care and attention is not paid to the ladies, we are determined to foment a rebellion, and will not hold ourselves bound by any laws in which we have no voice, or representation.

~Abigail Adams

I've always felt that a person's intelligence is directly reflected by the number of conflicting points of view he can entertain simultaneously on the same topic.

~Abigail Adams

Wisdom and penetration are the fruit of experience, not the lessons of retirement and leisure. Great necessities call out great virtues.

~Abigail Adams

No one is without their difficulties, whether in High, or low Life, & every person knows best where their own shoe pinches.

~Abigail Adams

My Dear Son... remember that you are accountable to your Maker for all your words and actions.

~Abigail Adams

Great difficulties may be surmounted by patience and perseverance.

~Abigail Adams

We have too many high-sounding words, and too few actions that correspond with them.

~Abigail Adams

Its never to late to get back on your feet though we wont live forever

make sure you accomplish what you were put here for

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Many of our disappointments and much of our unhappiness arise from our forming false notions of things and persons.

~Abigail Adams

To be good, and do good, is the whole duty of man comprised in a few words.

~Abigail Adams

A people may let a king fall, yet still remain a people, but if a king let his people slip from him, he is no longer a king.

~Abigail Adams

If we mean to have heroes, statesmen and philosophers, we should have learned women.

~Abigail Adams

Great learning and superior abilities...will be of little value and small estimation unless virtue, honor, truth, and integrity are added to them.

~Abigail Adams

If we expect to inherit the blessings of our Fathers, we should return a little more to their primitive Simplicity of Manners.

~Abigail Adams

I begin to think, that a calm is not desirable in any situation in life. Man was made for action and for bustle too, I believe.

~Abigail Adams

What is it that affectionate parents require of their Children; for all their care, anxiety, and toil on their accounts? Only that they would be wise and virtuous, Benevolent and kind.

~Abigail Adams

My bursting heart must find vent at my pen.

~Abigail Adams

I am more and more convinced that man is a dangerous creature.

~Abigail Adams

posterity who are to reap the blessings will scarcely be able to conceive the hardships and sufferings of their ancestors.

~Abigail Adams

These are times in which a genius would wish to live. It is not in the still calm of life, or the repose of a pacific station, that great characters are formed.

~Abigail Adams

Do not put such unlimited power into the hands of husbands. Remember all men would be tyrants if they could.

~Abigail Adams

I am more and more convinced that man is a dangerous creature and that power, whether vested in many or a few, is ever grasping, and like the grave, cries, 'Give, give.'

~Abigail Adams

History is not a web woven with innocent hands. Among all the causes which degrade and demoralize men, power is the most constant and most active.

~Abigail Adams

The Character which a youth acquires in the early part of his Life is of great importance towards his future prosperity-one false step may prove irretrievable to his future usefulness.

~Abigail Adams

Heaven grant me that I may thus rejoice in my children, thus see them ornaments to their Country, and blessings to their parents.

~Abigail Adams

The habits of a vigorous mind are born in contending with difficulties.

~Abigail Adams

Arbitrary power is like most other things which are very hard, very liable to be broken.

~Abigail Adams

May your mind be thoroughly impressed with the absolute necessity of universal virtue and goodness, as the only sure road to happiness, and may you walk therein with undeviating steps.

~Abigail Adams

The heart is long, very long in receiving the convictions that is forced upon it by reason... affection still lingers in the Bosom, even after esteem has taken its flight.

~Abigail Adams

I hope some future day will bring me the happiness of seeing my family again collected under our own roof, happy in ourselves and blessed in each other.

~Abigail Adams

Deliver me from your cold phlegmatic preachers, politicians, friends, lovers and husbands.

~Abigail Adams

Well, knowledge is a fine thing, and mother Eve thought so; but she smarted so severely for hers, that most of her daughters have been afraid of it since.

~Abigail Adams

But let no person say what they would or would not do, since we are not judges for ourselves until circumstances call us to act.

~Abigail Adams

Dark and sour humours, especially those which have a spice of malevolence in them, are vastly disagreeable. Such men have no music in their souls.

~Abigail Adams

A little of what you call frippery is very necessary towards looking like the rest of the world.

~Abigail Adams

What is the history of mighty kingdoms and nations, but a detail of the ravages and cruelties of the powerful over the weak?

~Abigail Adams

Every object is beautiful in motion; a ship under sail, trees gently agitated with the wind, and a fine woman dancing, are three instances in point

~Abigail Adams

The house shakes...with the roar of the cannon. No sleep for me tonight.

~Abigail Adams

When men know not what to do, they ought not to do they know not what

~Abigail Adams

When he is wounded, I bleed. {page 262 of John Adams}

~Abigail Adams

What is meat for one is not for another--no accounting for fancy.

~Abigail Adams

I acknowledge myself a unitarian

~Abigail Adams

The great fish swallow up the small; and he who is most strenuous for the rights of the people, when vested with power, is as eager after the prerogatives of government.

~Abigail Adams

These are the times when a genius wants to live.

~Abigail Adams

I can hear of the brilliant accomplishments of any of my sex with pleasure and rejoice in that liberality of sentiment which acknowledges them.

~Abigail Adams

The only chance for much intellectual improvement in the female sex, was to be found in the families of the educated class and in occasional intercourse with the learned.

~Abigail Adams

Men of sense in all ages abhor those customs which treat us only as the vassals of your sex.

~Abigail Adams

O, I have read his Heart in his wicked eyes many a time. The very devil is in them.

~Abigail Adams

The reins of government have been so long slackened, that I fear the people will not quietly submit to those restraints which are necessary for the peace and security of the community.

~Abigail Adams

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