

Andrew Sullivan Quotes

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To rid the world of Osama bin Laden, Anwar al-Awlaki and Moammar Qaddafi within six months: if Obama were a Republican, he'd be on Mount Rushmore by now.

~Andrew Sullivan

Blogging is to writing what extreme sports are to athletics: more free-form, more accident-prone, less formal, more alive. It is, in many ways, writing out loud.

~Andrew Sullivan

Homophobia: the fear that another man will treat you like you treat women.

~Andrew Sullivan

How can you tell when a political ideology has become the equivalent of a religion?

~Andrew Sullivan

Homosexuality is like the weather. It just is.

~Andrew Sullivan

Don't fool yourself that you're blogging when you're really just putting stuff up online.

~Andrew Sullivan

When you put a tiny and despised minority up for a popular vote, the minority usually loses.

~Andrew Sullivan

The important things are not worth knowing because they are useful. They are worth knowing because they are true.

~Andrew Sullivan

My own early crusade for same-sex marriage, for example, is now

mainstream gay politics. It wasn't when I started.

~Andrew Sullivan

When I was about eight, I asked my mother if it was true that God knows everything about you. When she answered yes, I said, "Then there's no hope for me, Mum."

~Andrew Sullivan

The most successful marriages, gay or straight, even if they begin in romantic love, often become friendships. It's the ones that become the friendships that last.

~Andrew Sullivan

I'm not going to sit around and pretend I'm not thinking things on my blog when I am thinking them and when I'm open to rebuttal.

~Andrew Sullivan

The dirty little secret of journalism is that it really isn't a profession, it's a craft. All you need is a telephone and a conscience and you're all set.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think of these imperial adventures like welfare programs; you start them with all good intentions, they never end, they go on forever and get more expensive as they go on.

~Andrew Sullivan

The day of reckoning is not just coming for Saddam Hussein. It's coming for the anti-war movement.

~Andrew Sullivan

If you are a gay couple living in Alabama, you know one thing: your family has no standing under the law; and it can and will be violated by strangers.

~Andrew Sullivan

I felt, and often still feel, unable to live up to the ideals I really hold.

~Andrew Sullivan

We've got fuel prices coming down and good travel numbers coming out, so it's not surprising airline stocks are going up.

~Andrew Sullivan

In many ways, my attachment to human freedom was completely compatible with my right to live freely as a homosexual.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think a lot of people are afraid the truth is in conflict with God. And are unable to let go and let the truth of the world.

~Andrew Sullivan

The one man more responsible for destroying the Democratic centrist revival, for throwing away the Clinton legacy, and for suicidally pitching his party to the populist left was Al Gore

~Andrew Sullivan

I'm not one of these people who thinks everybody's gay.

~Andrew Sullivan

If religion is about truth, why is it so afraid of error?

~Andrew Sullivan

Personally, I'd rather have pins stuck in my eyes than endure a conversation with John Kerry, but I'd love to hang with Bush.

~Andrew Sullivan

I enjoy being around people who disagree with me; and I enjoy being in non-political contexts and activities.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think very few people are gay. I'm a two-percenter myself.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think you earn your reputation for honesty and integrity literally hour-by-hour, and taste for that matter.

~Andrew Sullivan

My father has been a rock for me every since.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think a blog to live really has to be probably four or five times a day.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think if someone is writing continuously for 10 years and has not changed their mind about something - there's something wrong with them. They're not really thinking.

~Andrew Sullivan

There is no escaping this fight. It is civilization or Jihadism. We can and should debate tactics; but the sides are clear enough.

~Andrew Sullivan

The New York Times had not become The New York Times overnight. It had to earn its reputation day-by-day.

~Andrew Sullivan

I watched Nancy Pelosi and Tom Daschle. Good grief. What whining weenies.

~Andrew Sullivan

You just have to keep going. I mean I think our job, my job, is to keep articulating that I exist and that there are lots of people like me exist and we just have no home.

~Andrew Sullivan

A mind is a wonderful thing to change.

~Andrew Sullivan

If you change the society and a culture, the politics will follow.

~Andrew Sullivan

It's only because you can now watch cheerfully biased Fox News that you begin to realize how cheerlessly biased CNN really is - and always was. Or CBS. Or ABC. Or the BBC.

~Andrew Sullivan

Even if it's deep unhappiness, it's your unhappiness.

~Andrew Sullivan

...the current Human Rights Commission's working group is made up of the Netherlands, Hungary, Cuba, Saudi Arabia and Zimbabwe. No, I'm not making that up.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think essentially corrupting institutions in Washington are turning conservatism into something that is really very creepy, but also emotionally and psychically powerful for people.

~Andrew Sullivan

[Senator] Kerry [democrat MA] is emerging as the worst of all the viable Democratic candidates. He has the backbone of Clinton and the charm of Gore.

~Andrew Sullivan

For me, God and Jesus and the Holy Spirit have always been my closest friends in this journey.

~Andrew Sullivan

The Dixiecrats meet again in New York. Now they're called

Republicans.

~Andrew Sullivan

It is one of history's great tragedies that American conservatism, born in part in resistance to Soviet torture, should end by endorsing it in America, by Americans.

~Andrew Sullivan

There is something about hearing your president affirm your humanity that you don't know what effect it has until you hear it.

~Andrew Sullivan

The Tea Party we were told is only about economics; not true. It was always about economics and social issues. They just hid the social issues and now we just see who they really are.

~Andrew Sullivan

[Bush Hating] undermines the good faith necessary for democratic discussion. Which is a large part of what people like Al Franken are all about.

~Andrew Sullivan

Michael Moore: a man who never without an excuse for keeping murdering tyrants in power. But now he's supporting the man who bombed Milosevic into submission? How about an explanation, Mr Moore?

~Andrew Sullivan

When I first started talking about gay marriage, most people in the gay community looked at me as if I was insane or possibly a fascist reactionary.

~Andrew Sullivan

The relationship of black Americans to Obama is sociologically riveting.

~Andrew Sullivan

Every generation is born into, for the most part, a heterosexual family.

~Andrew Sullivan

The essence of romantic love is not the company of a lover but the pursuit.

~Andrew Sullivan

I purge compulsively. I'm constantly shedding things.

~Andrew Sullivan

No American should be forced to choose between their spouse and their country.

~Andrew Sullivan

[T]he myth that there was somehow a magic wand in the early 1980s to cure AIDS - a wand that Reagan deliberately refused to wave - is now almost conventional wisdom.

~Andrew Sullivan

What gay culture is before it is anything else, before it is a culture of desire or a culture of subversion or a culture of pain, is a culture of friendship.

~Andrew Sullivan

I've never been a partisan, I've never been a Republican, I've never been a Democrat, ever, which is why I was very frustrated being called a gay Republican when I never attached myself to that.

~Andrew Sullivan

The first person I came out to was God. And the first conversation I ever had with anybody was in prayer.

~Andrew Sullivan

Not many people sleep with other men and when the other man leaves have a nervous breakdown.

~Andrew Sullivan

What I love about the Internet and what I try to do on the issues is insist upon the ability to have bad taste if one wants.

~Andrew Sullivan

I'm openly gay because I'm a Catholic.

~Andrew Sullivan

I do not believe that the truth can ever be in conflict with God.

~Andrew Sullivan

I think there were two great gay Americans obviously, and that was Abraham Lincoln and Walt Whitman.

~Andrew Sullivan

What's great about it is that you see, the great struggle for gay people is that the politics is just not going to work for us.

~Andrew Sullivan

I'm gay. I always have been and I always will be, and I'm happy.

~Andrew Sullivan

I believe that there are moments in sex that are so awesome that they actually reflect God.

~Andrew Sullivan

Homophobia whether internalized or externalized is really fear; it's not hatred, it's fear. It's fear of the truth about ourselves.

~Andrew Sullivan

The good news about me is that my friends and social network is

entirely independent of politics.

~Andrew Sullivan

...when a reporter is quoting Sid Blumenthal on president Bush, you know he's scraping the barrel.

~Andrew Sullivan

When Bush says that Abu Ghraib was the work of a few, he forgot to mention that he was one of them.

~Andrew Sullivan

It is not an opinion that "enhanced interrogation techniques" are torture. It is a legal fact. And it is also a legal fact that the president is a war criminal.

~Andrew Sullivan

Anything that raises any internal honesty about gay life is inherently suspect.

~Andrew Sullivan

When you fuse Christianity with power, it isn't long before Christians start imposing the cross on others rather than taking it up for themselves.

~Andrew Sullivan

I can barely remember what I wrote yesterday, let alone 10 years ago.

~Andrew Sullivan

Here's why I find it impossible to be a Republican: any crowd that instantly cheers the execution of 234 individuals is a crowd I want to flee, not join.

~Andrew Sullivan

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