

Anne Rice

Quotes

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Men, Eye, People, Children, Giving, Beautiful, Christian, Lying, Dream, Way*

Come on, say it again. I'm a perfect devil. Tell me how bad I am. It makes me feel so good!

~Anne Rice

Don't be a fool for the Devil, darling.

~Anne Rice

Claudia... you've been a very very naughty little girl.

~Anne Rice

I am the Vampire Lestat. I'm immortal more or less. The light of the sun, the sustained heat of an intense fire-these things might destroy me. But then again, they might not.

~Anne Rice

Oh Lestat, you deserved everything that's ever happened to you. You better not die. You might actually go to hell.

~Anne Rice

Nothing in all the world is so nonsensical and contradictory, save mortals, that is, who live in the grip of the superstitions of the past.

~Anne Rice

One moment the world is as it is. The next, it is something entirely different. Something it has never been before.

~Anne Rice

-You are on the verge of being truly mad. -No, not at all. Look at me. I can tie my shoelaces. See?

~Anne Rice

None of us really changes over time. We only become more fully what we are.

~Anne Rice

Evil is just a point of view

~Anne Rice

When you think night and day and every moment only of pleasing me, things will be very easy for you.

~Anne Rice

Give me a man or woman who has read a thousand books and you give me an interesting companion. Give me a man or woman who has read perhaps three and you give me a very dangerous enemy indeed.

~Anne Rice

Strong women are absolutely unpredictable.

~Anne Rice

Everyone is a potential naked slave to you once you become a trainer.

~Anne Rice

We breathe the light, we breathe the music, we breathe the moment as it passes through us.

~Anne Rice

But the sky was never quite the same shade of blue again.

~Anne Rice

I left Christianity because I wanted to be a moral person. That is why I left. I no longer believed in its lies.

~Anne Rice

It's an awful truth that suffering can deepen us, give a greater lustre to our colours, a richer resonance to our words.

~Anne Rice

Do you know what it means to be loved by Death?... Do you know what

it means to have Death know your name?

~Anne Rice

Roman influence seeds itself, sprouting mighty oaks right through the modern forest of computers, digital disks, microviruses and space satellites.

~Anne Rice

Should we put out the light? And then put out the light. But once put out thy light, I cannot give it vital breath again. It needs must wither.

~Anne Rice

And I realized that I'd tolerated him this long because of self-doubt.

~Anne Rice

I was obsessed with religious questions, the basics: Why are we here? Why is the world so beautiful?

~Anne Rice

Cities have distinct personalities. It's a matter of knowing it.

~Anne Rice

The most difficult novel I have had to write in terms of just getting it done was *The Vampire Lestat*. It took a year to write.

~Anne Rice

Very few beings really seek knowledge in this world. Mortal or immortal, few really ASK. On the contrary, they try to wring from the unknown the answers they have already shaped in their own minds.

~Anne Rice

The human heart is my school.

~Anne Rice

The whole theme of Interview with the Vampire was Louis's quest for meaning in a godless world. He searched to find the oldest existing immortal simply to ask, What is the meaning of what we are?

~Anne Rice

That was my nature - going from temptation after temptation, not to sin, but to be redeemed.

~Anne Rice

I am an unwilling devil. I cry like some vagrant child. I want to go home.

~Anne Rice

To really ask is to open the door to the whirlwind. The answer may annihilate the question and the questioner.

~Anne Rice

A singer can shatter glass with the proper high note," he said, "but the simplest way to break glass is simply to drop it on the floor.

~Anne Rice

For me, places have a tremendous impact. I fall in love with places. All of life seems different in different places.

~Anne Rice

I love New Orleans physically. I love the trees and the balmy air and the beautiful days. I have a beautiful house here.

~Anne Rice

I stumble through a carnival of horrors

~Anne Rice

The highest truths a person could discover were rooted in the natural world.

~Anne Rice

I read *The Old Curiosity Shop* before I began *Blackwood Farm*. I was amazed at the utter madness in that book.

~Anne Rice

I'm Gentleman Death in silk and lace, come to put out the candles. The canker in the heart of the rose.

~Anne Rice

When you make his sandwiches, put a sexy or loving note in his lunch box.

~Anne Rice

I don't believe in anything and that makes me stronger than you think

~Anne Rice

All the mortal world is a lethal enemy during those hours between dawn and dusk.

~Anne Rice

My own funeral, I'd like to be laid out in a coffin in my own house. I would like my coffin to be put in the double parlor, and I would like all the flowers to be white.

~Anne Rice

The only power that exists is inside ourselves.

~Anne Rice

I like to read things I've read before. It's like listening over and over to your favorite song.

~Anne Rice

The thing should have plot and character, beginning, middle and end. Arouse pity and then have a catharsis. Those were the best principles I was ever taught.

~Anne Rice

My last sunrise. That morning, I was not yet a vampire. And I saw my last sunrise. I remember it completely; yet I do not think I remember any other sunrise before it.

~Anne Rice

Words. Borne on the ever swelling current of hatred, like flowers opening in the current, petals peeling back, then falling apart.

~Anne Rice

As if it were our very birthright, which we could not come to grasp the meaning of until this time of middle life when we looked on only as many years ahead as already lay behind us.

~Anne Rice

Invest in a feather duster - the possibilities are endless.

~Anne Rice

No matter how rudely someone treats you, remain kind. Walking away at peace with yourself is worth it.

~Anne Rice

Let the flesh instruct the mind.

~Anne Rice

And when a strong man is sweet, even Goddesses look down from Mount Olympus.

~Anne Rice

Handsome enough' is this Grim Reaper, Who can snuff all these 'brief candles,' every fluttering soul sucking the air, from this hall" -The Vampire Lestat

~Anne Rice

A starving child is a frightful sight. A starving vampire, even worse.

~Anne Rice

The world changes, we do not, therein lies the irony that kills us.

~Anne Rice

Vampires pretending to be humans pretending to be vampires ... How avant-garde!

~Anne Rice

As for oblivion, well, we can wait a little while for that.

~Anne Rice

I know nothing of God or the Devil. I have never seen a vision nor learned a secret that would damn or save my soul.

~Anne Rice

I'm always looking, and I'm always asking questions.

~Anne Rice

What I did was take the Jesus of the Gospels, the Son of God, the Son of the Virgin Mary, and sought to make Him utterly believable, a vital breathing character.

~Anne Rice

Merciful death. How you love your precious guilt

~Anne Rice

People who cease to believe in God or goodness altogether still believe in the devil. I don't know why. No, I do indeed know why. Evil is always possible. And goodness is eternally difficult.

~Anne Rice

I was particularly stunned by the casting of Cruise, who is no more my

Vampire Lestat than Edward G. Robinson is Rhett Butler.

~Anne Rice

Memory was a curse, yes, he thought, but it was also the greatest gift. Because if you lost memory you lost everything.

~Anne Rice

I was a newborn vampire, weeping at the beauty of the night.

~Anne Rice

I can't help being a gorgeous fiend. It's just the card I drew.

~Anne Rice

Evil is always possible. Goodness is a difficulty.

~Anne Rice

I loved words. I love to sing them and speak them and even now, I must admit, I have fallen into the joy of writing them.

~Anne Rice

We're frightened of what makes us different.

~Anne Rice

Suffering of sentient beings is like decay; it fertilizes the growth of their souls.

~Anne Rice

We need to stop fighting Christian against Christian. I have no time for anything but trying to love other people. That is a full-time job.

~Anne Rice

Don't be a pawn in somebody's game. Find the attitude which gives you the maximum strength and the maximum dignity, no matter what else is going on

~Anne Rice

Louis: You see that old woman? That will never happen to you. You will never grow old, and you will never die. Claudia: And it means something else too, doesn't it? I shall never ever grow up.

~Anne Rice

There may be writing groups where people meet but it's occasional. You really do it all at your own computer or your own typewriter by yourself.

~Anne Rice

I like mainly to be invisible, to sort of drift around unseen in the world.

~Anne Rice

I had wanted to say that my song was far too painful to sing.

~Anne Rice

That process by which you become a writer is a pretty lonely one. We don't have a group apprenticeship like a violinist might training for an orchestra.

~Anne Rice

I think that we are supernatural. We are unique. We're the only animals in the universe that we know of that actually have self-consciousness, a sense of time and our own mortality.

~Anne Rice

I never knew what life was until it ran out in a red gush over any lips, my hands!

~Anne Rice

What does it mean to die when you can live until the end of the world?

~Anne Rice

I resolved to move just a little bit more slowly through the world, to look around myself with greater care, and to try to remain conscious of all that was going on around me at all times.

~Anne Rice

Re-telling the Christian story is the essence of my vocation. That has been going on since the Evangelists in one form or another.

~Anne Rice

I wish we had more visible Christian and Catholic leaders who talked about love.

~Anne Rice

Our language needs endless synonyms for beautiful; the eyes could see what the tongue cannot possibly describe.

~Anne Rice

Writers, as they gain success, feel like outsiders because writers don't come together in real groups.

~Anne Rice

Being liberated means reading what you want to read, and fantasizing about what you want to fantasize about.

~Anne Rice

The world doesn't need any more mediocrity or hedged bets.

~Anne Rice

Pride is the parent of destruction; pride eats the mind and the heart and the soul alive.

~Anne Rice

And books, they offer one hope -- that a whole universe might open up from between the covers, and falling into that universe, one is saved.

~Anne Rice

Why does shame and self-loathing become cruelty to the innocent ?

~Anne Rice

Goodnight sweet prince, may flights of devils wing you to your rest.

~Anne Rice

I was the vampire Lestat again. I was back in action. New Orleans was once again my hunting ground.

~Anne Rice

I find at moments I'm as fragile as glass.

~Anne Rice

Revenge is the concern of those who are at some point or other beaten. I am not beaten, I told myself. No, not beaten. And victory is far more interesting to contemplate than revenge.

~Anne Rice

The earth here is beautiful. And it still belongs to the dead.

~Anne Rice

I think love can save the world. When we love, we completely recognize the value of the other.

~Anne Rice

To write something, you have to risk making a fool of yourself.

~Anne Rice

Motivated employees are crucial to a company's success.

~Anne Rice

I gave up on the big screen. The Witching Hour was at Warner Bros. for

10 years and it just didn't work out.

~Anne Rice

There is one purpose to life and one only: to bear witness to and understand as much as possible of the complexity of the world- its beauty, its mysteries, its riddles.

~Anne Rice

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