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At the heart of liberty is the right to define one's own concept of existence, of meaning, of the universe, and of the mystery of human life.

~Anthony Kennedy

The Constitution doesn't belong to a bunch of judges and lawyers. It belongs to you.

~Anthony Kennedy

As the Constitution endures, persons in every generation can invoke its principles in their own search for greater freedom.

~Anthony Kennedy

The First Amendment is often inconvenient. But that is besides the point. Inconvenience does not absolve the government of its obligation to tolerate speech.

~Anthony Kennedy

The case for freedom, the case for our constitutional principles the case for our heritage has to be made anew in each generation. The work of freedom is never done.

~Anthony Kennedy

We must never lose sight of the fact that the law has a moral foundation, and we must never fail to ask ourselves not only what the law is, but what the law should be.

~Anthony Kennedy

The Constitution needs allegiance and loyalty and renewal and understanding with each generation, or else it's not going to last.

~Anthony Kennedy

Asking questions is an essential part of police investigation. In the ordinary sense a police officer is free to ask a person for identification

without implicating the Fourth Amendment.

~Anthony Kennedy

Sometimes you don't know if you're Caesar about to cross the Rubicon or Captain Queeg cutting your own tow line.

~Anthony Kennedy

Democracy is something that you must learn each generation. It has to be taught.

~Anthony Kennedy

Any time you burn a cross in Virginia, it's a crime?

~Anthony Kennedy

The Constitution promises liberty to all within its reach, a liberty that includes certain specific rights that allow persons, within a lawful realm, to define and express their identity.

~Anthony Kennedy

Sometimes it is easy... to enhance your prestige by not exercising your responsibility, but that's not been the tradition of the court.

~Anthony Kennedy

It is proper that we acknowledge the overwhelming weight of international opinion against the juvenile death penalty.

~Anthony Kennedy

The Government may not suppress lawful speech as the means to suppress unlawful speech.

~Anthony Kennedy

A law imposing criminal penalties on protected speech is a stark example of speech suppression.

~Anthony Kennedy

Some kinds of government regulation of private consensual homosexual behavior may face substantial constitutional challenge.

~Anthony Kennedy

There's a time for debate and a time for consensus. There's a time for advocacy and time for first principles.

~Anthony Kennedy

There's substance to the point that sociological information is new. We have five years of information to weigh against 2,000 years of history or more.

~Anthony Kennedy

No one questions the validity, the urgency, the essentiality of the Voting Rights Act.

~Anthony Kennedy

You have plaintiffs attorneys, you have defense attorneys. So there is no unified bar that will protect a particular judge who has made a courageous decision that's unpopular.

~Anthony Kennedy

In the political context fair means somebody that will vote for the unions or for the business. It can't mean that in the judicial context or we're in real trouble.

~Anthony Kennedy

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