

Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Quotes

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Love does not consist in gazing at each other, but in looking outward together in the same direction.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you want to build a ship, don't summon people to buy wood, prepare tools, distribute jobs, and organize the work; teach people the yearning for the wide, boundless ocean.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

What makes the desert beautiful is that somewhere it hides a well.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Every person that comes into our life comes for a reason; some come to learn and others come to teach.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Let your dream devour your life, not your life devour your dream.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

And now here is my secret, a very simple secret; it is only with the heart that one can see rightly, what is essential is invisible to the eye.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

As for the future, your task is not to foresee it, but to enable it.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The meaning of things lies not in the things themselves, but in our attitude towards them.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

True happiness comes from the joy of deeds well done, the zest of creating things new.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I have always loved the desert. One sits down on a desert sand dune, sees nothing, hears nothing. Yet through the silence something throbs, and gleams.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

One's suffering disappears when one lets oneself go, when one yields - even to sadness.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

When one is building a ship, one does not begin with gathering timber and cutting planks, but rather by arousing in people the yearning for the great wide sea.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A rock pile ceases to be a rock pile the moment a single man contemplates it, bearing within him the image of a cathedral.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

You see, one loves the sunset when one is so sad.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

True love begins when nothing is looked for in return.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

All grown-ups were once children... but only few of them remember it.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

He who has gone, so we but cherish his memory, abides with us, more potent, nay, more present than the living man.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

True love is inexhaustible; the more you give, the more you have.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Charity never humiliated him who profited from it, nor ever bound him by the chains of gratitude, since it was not to him but to God that the gift was made.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Demagoguery enters at the moment when, for want of a common denominator, the principle of equality degenerates into the principle of identity.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Grown-ups never understand anything for themselves, and it is tiresome for children to be always and forever explaining things to them.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is in your act that you exist, not in your body. Your act is yourself, and there is no other you.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

You become responsible, forever, for what you have tamed.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

War is not an adventure. It is a disease. It is like typhus.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Real love begins where nothing is expected in return.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The airplane has unveiled for us the true face of the earth.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Attitude is a paintbrush. It colors everything!

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

"What place would you advise me to visit now?" he asked. "The planet Earth," replied the geographer. "It has a good reputation."

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The tender friendships one gives up, on parting, leave their bite on the heart, but also a curious feeling of a treasure somewhere buried.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is only with the heart that one can see rightly.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The time for action is now. It's never too late to do something.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I have no right, by anything I do or say, to demean a human being in his own eyes. What matters is not what I think of him; it is what he thinks of himself. To undermine a man's self-respect is a sin.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Experience will guide us to the rules. You cannot make rules precede practical experience.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

You give birth to that on which you fix your mind

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you want to build a ship, don't drum up people to collect wood and don't assign them tasks and work, but rather teach them to long for the endless immensity of the sea.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Night, when words fade and things come alive.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Tell me who admires and loves you, and I will tell you who you are.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The tree is more than first a seed, then a stem, then a living trunk, and then dead timber. The tree is a slow, enduring force straining to win the sky.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

There is no hope of joy except in human relations.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A single event can awaken within us a stranger totally unknown to us.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I fly because it releases my mind from the tyranny of petty things.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

How could drops of water know themselves to be a river? Yet the river flows on.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

No single event can awaken within us a stranger totally unknown to us. To live is to be slowly born. It would be a bit too easy if we could go about borrowing ready-made souls.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

For true love is inexhaustible; the more you give, the more you have. And if you go to draw at the true fountainhead, the more water you draw, the more abundant is its flow.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Truth is not that which is demonstrable but that which is ineluctable.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I will appoint captains to rule my cities, for it is in the compelling zest of high adventure and of victory, and in creative action, that man finds his supreme joys.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I know but one freedom and that is the freedom of the mind.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I have lived a great deal among grown-ups. I have seen them intimately, close at hand. And that hasn't much improved my opinion of them.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is such a secret place, the land of tears.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A designer knows he has achieved perfection not when there is nothing left to add, but when there is nothing left to take away.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

You cannot plant an acorn in the morning, and expect that afternoon to sit in the shade of an oak.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Language is the source of misunderstandings.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

To love is not to look at one another: it is to look, together, in the same direction.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The important thing is to strive toward a goal which is not immediately visible. That goal is not the concern of the mind, but of the spirit.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

But the conceited man did not hear him. Conceited people never hear anything but praise.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Once you are my friend, I am responsible for you.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

But if you tame me, then we shall need each other. To me, you will be unique in all the world. To you, I shall be unique in all the world.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Pure logic is the ruin of the spirit.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

"Men have forgotten this truth," said the fox. "But you must not forget it. You become responsible, forever, for what you have tamed."

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If Someone wants a sheep, then that means that he exists.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you love a flower that lives on a star, it is sweet to look at the sky at night. All the stars are a-bloom with flowers.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

When you give yourself, you receive more than you give.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Love does not cause suffering: what causes it is the sense of ownership, which is love's opposite.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The house, the stars, the desert -- what gives them their beauty is something that is invisible!

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you tame me, it would be as if the sun came to shine on my life.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

No single event can awaken within us a stranger whose existence we had never suspected. To live is to be slowly born.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

That is the hardest thing of all. It is much harder to judge yourself than to judge others. If you succeed in judging yourself, it's because you're truly a wise man.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A smile is often the key thing. One is paid with a smile. One is rewarded with a smile. One is brightened by a smile. And the quality of a smile can make one die.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you are to be, you must begin by assuming responsibility. You alone are responsible for every moment of your life, for every one of your acts.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The one thing that matters is the effort.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is always in the midst, in the epicenter, of your troubles that you find serenity.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

When you want to build a ship, then do not drum the men together in order to procure wood, to give instructions or to distribute the work, but teach them longing for the wide endless sea.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Perfection is attained, not when no more can be added, but when no more can be removed.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Each man carries within him the soul of a poet who died young.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

We live not by things, but by the meaning of things. It is needful to transmit the passwords from generation to generation.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

What do we mean by setting a man free? You cannot free a man who dwells in a desert and is an unfeeling brute.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If I were to command a general to turn into a seagull, and if the general did not obey, that would not be the general's fault. It would be mine.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is not for us to forecast the future, but to shape it.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

The tree is a slow, enduring force straining to win the sky.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

And at night I love to listen to the stars. It is like five hundred million little bells.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

It is the time you have wasted for your rose that makes your rose so important.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

My life is very monotonous," the fox said. "I hunt chickens; men hunt me. All the chickens are just alike, and all the men are just alike. And, in consequence, I am a little bored.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

What value has compassion that does not take its object in its arms?

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Each man must look to himself to teach him the meaning of life. It is not something discovered: it is something molded.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

If you want to build a ship, teach the men to yearn for the vast and endless sea.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Sorrow is one of the vibrations that prove the fact of living.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

We are prudent people. We are afraid to let go of our petty reality in order to grasp at a great shadow.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

To be a man is, precisely, to be responsible.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

What he had yearned to embrace was not the flesh but a down spirit, a spark, the impalpable angel that inhabits the flesh.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Well, I must endure the presence of a few caterpillars if I wish to become acquainted with the butterflies.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Friendship is born from an identity of spiritual goals - from common navigation toward a star.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Sometimes we behave as though there was something more important than life. But what?

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A goal without a plan is just a wish.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

To be a man is to feel that one's own stone contributes to building the edifice of the world.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

A man's age represents a fine cargo of experiences and memories.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

I am who I am and I have the need to be.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

You know you've achieved perfection in design, not when you have nothing more to add, but when you have nothing more to take away.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

One runs the risk of weeping a little, if one lets himself be tamed.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

More wisdom is latent in things as they are than in all the words men use.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

Transport of the mails, transport of the human voice, transport of flickering pictures-in this century as in others our highest

accomplishments still have the single aim of bringing men together.

~Antoine de Saint-Exupery

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