

Antonio Porchia

Quotes

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In a full heart there is room for everything, and in an empty heart there is room for nothing.

~Antonio Porchia

I stop wanting what I am looking for, looking for it.

~Antonio Porchia

Night is a world lit by itself.

~Antonio Porchia

The shadows: some hide, others reveal.

~Antonio Porchia

One lives in the hope of becoming a memory.

~Antonio Porchia

They will say you are on the wrong road, if it is your own.

~Antonio Porchia

I would go to heaven, but I would take my hell; I would not go alone.

~Antonio Porchia

Situated in some nebulous distance I do what I do so that the universal balance of which I am a part may remain a balance.

~Antonio Porchia

I know what I have given you, I do not know what you have received.

~Antonio Porchia

Man, when he does not grieve, hardly exists.

~Antonio Porchia

A door opens to me. I go in and am faced with a hundred closed doors.

~Antonio Porchia

I have been my own disciple and my own master. And I have been a good disciple but a bad master.

~Antonio Porchia

When your suffering is a little greater than my suffering I feel that I am a little cruel.

~Antonio Porchia

When the superficial wearies me, it wearies me so much that I need an abyss in order to rest.

~Antonio Porchia

We become aware of the void as we fill it.

~Antonio Porchia

You think you are killing me. I think you are committing suicide.

~Antonio Porchia

The flower that you hold in your hands was born today and already it is as old as you are.

~Antonio Porchia

I love you as you are, but do not tell me how that is.

~Antonio Porchia

The fear of separation is all that unites.

~Antonio Porchia

The chains that bind us the most closely are the ones we have broken.

~Antonio Porchia

Almost always it is the fear of being ourselves that brings us to the mirror.

~Antonio Porchia

A large heart can be filled with very little.

~Antonio Porchia

Flowers are without hope. Because hope is tomorrow and flowers have no tomorrow.

~Antonio Porchia

My father, when he went, made my childhood a gift of a half a century.

~Antonio Porchia

What words say does not last. The words last. Because words are always the same, and what they say is never the same.

~Antonio Porchia

We tear life out of life to use it for looking at itself.

~Antonio Porchia

What we pay for with our lives never costs too much.

~Antonio Porchia

If you do not raise your eyes you will think that you are the highest point.

~Antonio Porchia

Even the smallest of creatures carries the sun in its eyes.

~Antonio Porchia

Truth has very few friends and those few are suicides.

~Antonio Porchia

You know so much about me and yet you don't understand me. To know is not to understand. We could know everything and still not understand anything.

~Antonio Porchia

You are fastened to them and cannot understand how, because they are not fastened to you.

~Antonio Porchia

Beyond my body my veins are invisible.

~Antonio Porchia

When I break any of the chains that bind me I feel that I make myself smaller.

~Antonio Porchia

There are sufferings that have lost their memory and do not remember why they are suffering.

~Antonio Porchia

I believe that the soul consists of its sufferings. For the soul that cures its own sufferings dies.

~Antonio Porchia

Whatever I take, I take too much or too little; I do not take the exact amount. The exact amount is no use to me.

~Antonio Porchia

Man talks about everything, and he talks about everything as though the understanding of everything were all inside him.

~Antonio Porchia

Yes, I will go. I would rather grieve over your absence than over you.

~Antonio Porchia

I keep my hands empty for the sake of what I have had in them.

~Antonio Porchia

A thing, until it is everything, is noise, and once it is everything it is

silence.

~Antonio Porchia

Yes, this is what good is: to forgive evil. There is no other good.

~Antonio Porchia

Following straight lines shortens distances, and also life.

~Antonio Porchia

Man goes nowhere, everything comes to man like tomorrow.

~Antonio Porchia

All the suns labor to kindle your flame and a microbe puts it out.

~Antonio Porchia

More grievous than tears is the sight of them.

~Antonio Porchia

My truths do not last long in me. Not as long as those that are not mine.

~Antonio Porchia

He who does not fill his world with phantoms remains alone.

~Antonio Porchia

Certainties are arrived at only on foot.

~Antonio Porchia

Set out from any point. They are all alike. They all lead to a point of departure.

~Antonio Porchia

Human suffering, while it is asleep, is shapeless. If it is wakened it takes the form of the waker.

~Antonio Porchia

Man, when he is merely what he seems to be, is almost nothing.

~Antonio Porchia

Suffering is above, not below. And everyone thinks that suffering is below. And everyone wants to rise.

~Antonio Porchia

We have a world for each one, but we do not have a world for all.

~Antonio Porchia

Not believing has a sickness which is believing a little.

~Antonio Porchia

If those who owe us nothing gave us nothing, how poor we would be.

~Antonio Porchia

I am chained to the earth to pay for the freedom of my eyes.

~Antonio Porchia

When I believe in nothing, I do not want to meet you when you believe in nothing.

~Antonio Porchia

The real "it is well" is something I say from the ground, having fallen.

~Antonio Porchia

Yes, one must suffer, even in vain, so as not to have lived in vain.

~Antonio Porchia

He who makes a paradise of his bread makes a hell of his hunger.

~Antonio Porchia

A little candor never leaves me. It is what protects me.

~Antonio Porchia

Not using faults does not mean that one does not have them.

~Antonio Porchia

The little things are what is eternal, and the rest, all the rest, is brevity, extreme brevity.

~Antonio Porchia

My heaviness comes from the heights.

~Antonio Porchia

You can owe nothing, if you give back its light to the sun.

~Antonio Porchia

He who does not know how to believe, should not know.

~Antonio Porchia

They have stopped deceiving you, not loving you. And it seems to you that they have stopped loving you.

~Antonio Porchia

God has given a great deal to man, but man would like something from man.

~Antonio Porchia

The confession of one man humbles all.

~Antonio Porchia

He who has made a thousand things and he who has made none, both feel the same desire: to make something.

~Antonio Porchia

You do not see the river of mourning because it lacks one tear of your own.

~Antonio Porchia

When I do not walk in the clouds I walk as though I were lost.

~Antonio Porchia

He who has seen everything empty itself is close to knowing what everything is filled with.

~Antonio Porchia

Yes, I will try to be. Because I believe that not being is arrogant.

~Antonio Porchia

I began my comedy as its only actor and I come to the end as its only spectator.

~Antonio Porchia

Everything is a little bit of darkness, even the light.

~Antonio Porchia

Without this ridiculous vanity that takes the form of self-display, and is part of everything and everyone, we would see nothing, and nothing would exist.

~Antonio Porchia

Nothing is not only nothing. It is also our prison.

~Antonio Porchia

And if you find everything as soon as you look for it, you find it in vain, you look for it in vain.

~Antonio Porchia

If you are good to this one and that one, this one and that one will say

that you are good. If you are good to everyone, no one will say that you are good.

~Antonio Porchia

When I die, I will not see myself die, for the first time.

~Antonio Porchia

I will help you approach if you approach, and to keep away if you keep away.

~Antonio Porchia

I have scarcely touched the sky and I am made of it.

~Antonio Porchia

When I look for my existence I do not look for it in myself.

~Antonio Porchia

Out of a hundred years a few minutes were made that stayed with me, not a hundred years.

~Antonio Porchia

No one understands that you have given everything. You must give more.

~Antonio Porchia

Every time I wake, I understand how easy it is to be nothing.

~Antonio Porchia

The dream which is not fed with dream disappears.

~Antonio Porchia

Injury, when it is slight, upsets me; when it is strong it calms me.

~Antonio Porchia

Those who gave away their wings are sad not to see them fly.

~Antonio Porchia

Some things become such a part of us that we forget them.

~Antonio Porchia

Everything had been stripped of deceptions, that time. And that time I was afraid of everything.

~Antonio Porchia

My great day came and went, I do not know how. Because it did not pass through dawn when it came, nor through dusk when it went.

~Antonio Porchia

My final belief is suffering. And I begin to believe that I do not suffer.

~Antonio Porchia

Humanity does not know where to go because no one is waiting for it: not even God.

~Antonio Porchia

When I am asleep I dream what I dream when I am awake. It's a continuous dream.

~Antonio Porchia

Everything that I bear within me bound, is to be found somewhere else free.

~Antonio Porchia

If only I could leave everything as it is, without moving a single star or a single cloud. Oh, if only I could!

~Antonio Porchia

The children whom nobody leads by the hand are the children who

know they are children.

~Antonio Porchia

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