

Bill Russell

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To love someone is nothing, to be loved by someone is something, to love someone who loves you is everything.

~Bill Russell

Success is a result of consistent practice of winning skills and actions. There is nothing miraculous about the process. There is no luck involved.

~Bill Russell

The most important measure of how good a game I played was how much better I'd made my teammates play.

~Bill Russell

Commitment separates those who live their dreams from those who live their lives regretting the opportunities they have squandered.

~Bill Russell

Learning is a daily experience and a lifetime mission. I truly believe in the saying "We work to become, not to acquire."

~Bill Russell

If you really have integrity, there are very few people who can insult you, or honor you.

~Bill Russell

The idea is not to block every shot. The idea is to make your opponent believe that you might block every shot.

~Bill Russell

If a guy pays you five dollars, you give him seven dollars worth of work.

~Bill Russell

You can do anything you want to do if you want it bad enough

~Bill Russell

Concentration and mental toughness are the margins of victory.

~Bill Russell

Durability is part of what makes a great athlete.

~Bill Russell

My most prized possession was my library card from the Oakland Public Library.

~Bill Russell

What distinguishes a great player is his presence. When he goes on to the court, his presence dominates the atmosphere.

~Bill Russell

Most people have a harder time letting themselves love than finding someone to love them.

~Bill Russell

If Shakespeare can compare all of life to a stage, maybe it's not odd to believe that part of the play can take place on a basketball court.

~Bill Russell

Remember that basketball is a game of habits. If you make the other guy deviate from his habits, you've got him

~Bill Russell

Heart in champions has to do with the depth of our motivation and how well your mind and body react to pressure - that is, being able to do what you do best under maximum pain and stress.

~Bill Russell

Friendship is a full-time job.

~Bill Russell

On females officiating in the NBA -Incompetence should not be confined to one sex.

~Bill Russell

Create unselfishness as the most important team attribute.

~Bill Russell

If you can take something to levels that very few other people can reach, then what you're doing becomes art.

~Bill Russell

I think what has happened to our basketball team, we've been badly distracted. They're not reading too many positive things in the paper.

~Bill Russell

The magic to a great meeting is all of the work that's done beforehand.

~Bill Russell

The only important statistic is the final score.

~Bill Russell

My father once told me that anyone who worked for three dollars an hour owed it to himself to put in four dollars' worth of work.

~Bill Russell

The last five or six days, I've been running. The last two days, I've been running pretty hard. Everybody's got to be someplace.

~Bill Russell

We overreached our decision power. Sometimes our decisions have to fit the reality of the outside world.

~Bill Russell

Don't knock the ball in the stands, keep it in your hands!

~Bill Russell

What's more important than who's going to be the first black manager is who's going to be the first black sports editor of the New York Times.

~Bill Russell

We couldn't sustain it. And they got a lot of kids that can shoot. We just couldn't close out well enough.

~Bill Russell

The most important thing to me is the friends that I've made.

~Bill Russell

I think that David Stern is probably the greatest commissioner that any sport has ever had in the history of this country.

~Bill Russell

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