

Brandon Sanderson Quotes

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Years, Eye, Important, Two, Children, Persons, Reading, Giving, Long*

There's always another secret.' -Kelsier

~Brandon Sanderson

The mark of a great man is one who knows when to set aside the important things in order to accomplish the vital ones.

~Brandon Sanderson

The purpose of a storyteller is not to tell you how to think, but to give you questions to think upon.

~Brandon Sanderson

Women? Women are like...thunderstorms. They're beautiful to look at, and sometimes they're nice to listen to-but most of the time they're just plain inconvenient.

~Brandon Sanderson

If you're always on time, it implies that you never have anything better you should be doing. -Kelsier

~Brandon Sanderson

Better to be the failure who nobly strived than the success who never really had to.

~Brandon Sanderson

But you can't kill me, Lord Tyrant. I represent that one thing you've never been able to kill, no matter how hard you try. I am hope.

~Brandon Sanderson

Mocking a woman is like drinking too much wine. It may be fun for a short time, but the hangover is hell.

~Brandon Sanderson

My dear, did you just try to prove the existence of God with your cleavage?

~Brandon Sanderson

This world, it is a tempest sometimes. But remember, the sun always rises again.

~Brandon Sanderson

What is belief - what is faith - if you don't continue it after failure?

~Brandon Sanderson

...A man can only stumble for so long before he either falls or stands up straight.

~Brandon Sanderson

You could be writing the book that changes your life.

~Brandon Sanderson

Words are where most change begins.

~Brandon Sanderson

Expectations were like fine pottery. The harder you held them, the more likely they were to crack.

~Brandon Sanderson

People can do great things. However, there are some things they just CAN'T do. I, for instance, have not been able to transform myself into a Popsicle, despite years of effort.

~Brandon Sanderson

This is going to take a while. I'm a fantasy author. We have trouble with the concept of brevity.

~Brandon Sanderson

We follow the codes not because they bring gain, but because we loathe the people we would otherwise become.

~Brandon Sanderson

People with passion are people who will destroy - for a man's passion is not true until he proves how much he's willing to sacrifice for it.

~Brandon Sanderson

Strength does not make one capable of rule; it makes one capable of service.

~Brandon Sanderson

Life before Death. Strength before Weakness. Journey before Destination.

~Brandon Sanderson

A man was defined not by his flaws, but by how he overcame them.

~Brandon Sanderson

imaginary things were often the only items of real substance in people's lives.

~Brandon Sanderson

I've always been very confident in my immaturity.

~Brandon Sanderson

I think given the choice between loving Mare - betrayal included - and never knowing her, I'd chose love. I risked, and I lost, but the risk was still worth it.

~Brandon Sanderson

For now, I only wish to make a simple acknowledgement of the woman who held the power just before me. Of all of us who touched it, I feel she was the most worthy.

~Brandon Sanderson

If you don't believe what I'm telling you, then ask yourself this: would any decent, kind-hearted individual become a writer? Of course not.

~Brandon Sanderson

In the end, all men die. How you lived will be far more important to the Almighty than what you accomplished.

~Brandon Sanderson

Our belief is often strongest when it should be weakest. That is the nature of hope.

~Brandon Sanderson

If you are anything like me --- Clever, fond of goat cheese, and devilishly handsome --- then you have undoubtedly read many books.

~Brandon Sanderson

Elend: I kind of lost track of time! Breeze: For two hours? Elend: There were books involved.

~Brandon Sanderson

You see the dilemma? Ham asked. I see an idiot, Breeze mumbled.

~Brandon Sanderson

I need something, Wax. A place to look. You always did the thinking. Yes, having a brain helps with that, surprisingly.

~Brandon Sanderson

Every action we take has consequences, Vin," Kelsier said. "I've found that in both Allomancy and life, the person who can best judge the consequences of their actions will be the most successful.

~Brandon Sanderson

Entropy shakes its angry fist at you for being clever enough to organize

the world. (p 2)

~Brandon Sanderson

What is it we value? Innovation. Originality. Novelty. But most importantly...timeliness. I fear you may be too late, my confused, unfortunate, friend.

~Brandon Sanderson

Joel, lad, school is about learning to learn. If you don't practice studying things you don't like, then you'll have a very hard time in life.

~Brandon Sanderson

Sometimes the prize is not worth the costs. The means by which we achieve victory are as important as the victory itself.

~Brandon Sanderson

Unknowing ignorance is preferable to informed stupidity.

~Brandon Sanderson

Never throw the first punch. If you have to throw the second, try to make sure they don't get up for a third.

~Brandon Sanderson

Sometimes it was daunting, knowing how easily I could break things. This one simple curse seemed to dominate my entire life.

~Brandon Sanderson

My name is Stephen Leeds, and I am perfectly sane. My hallucinations, however, are all quite mad.

~Brandon Sanderson

Overcome your guilt. Care, but not too much. Take responsibility, but don't blame yourself. Protect, save, help- but know when to give up. They're precarious ledges to walk. How do I do it?

~Brandon Sanderson

It is you!" the man exclaimed. "We thought you weren't coming for another week!" "Ashe," Sarene mumbled, "who is this lunatic and what does he want with me?"

~Brandon Sanderson

Wherever it may be, whoever may hold it. That's who I am.

~Brandon Sanderson

There are no endings, and never will be endings, to the turning of the Wheel of Time. But it was an ending.

~Brandon Sanderson

Vin: I don't know -- and it's all your fault, you know. I used to understand everything. Now it's all confused. Kelsier: Yes, we've messed you up right properly.

~Brandon Sanderson

Does one deserve to have evil done to her by consequence of putting herself where evil can reach her?

~Brandon Sanderson

You see, that is the sad, sorry, terrible thing about sarcasm. It's really funny.

~Brandon Sanderson

So, using his pride like a shield against despair, dejection, and-most importantâ€” self-pity, Raoden raised his head to stare damnation in the eyes.

~Brandon Sanderson

You will find that hate can unify people more quickly and more fervently than devotion ever could.

~Brandon Sanderson

Oh, Wax has always been solemn, but when he's at his best, there's a smirk underneath.

~Brandon Sanderson

The hallmark of insecurity is bravado.

~Brandon Sanderson

Small things were important. Secods were small things, and if you heaped enough of those on top of one another, they became a man's life.

~Brandon Sanderson

To believe, it seemed, one had to want to believe.

~Brandon Sanderson

Plots behind plots, plans behind plans. There was always another secret.

~Brandon Sanderson

You should try not to talk so much, friend. You'll sound far less stupid that way. - Breeze

~Brandon Sanderson

Are there any religions on your list that include the slaughter of noblemen as a holy duty?

~Brandon Sanderson

Not all librarians are evil cultists. Some librarians are instead vengeful undead who want to suck your soul.

~Brandon Sanderson

When I write my books, actually I'm known for very logical rule-based

magic systems. I write with one foot in fantasy and one foot in science fiction.

~Brandon Sanderson

Remember, the past need not become our future as well.

~Brandon Sanderson

If you give up what you want most for what you think you should want more, you'll end up miserable.

~Brandon Sanderson

Llarimar had told him to do his best. That sounded like an awful lot of work. Unfortunately, doing nothing was beginning to seem like even MORE work.

~Brandon Sanderson

I've found you can ignore half of what Dox tells you and not miss much-except for maybe they occasional complaint that you're spending too much.

~Brandon Sanderson

...somehow the old philosophers could make even the most salacious topics seem boring.

~Brandon Sanderson

The finest defense of character is correct action. Acquaint yourself with virtue, and you can expect proper treatment from those around you.

~Brandon Sanderson

Breeze turned to look out the window. "You were always the best of us, Sazed," he said quietly. "Because you believed in something.

~Brandon Sanderson

I'm convinced that responsibility is some kind of psychological disease.

~Brandon Sanderson

The problem with being clever, Serene thought with a sigh, is that everyone assumes you're always planning something.

~Brandon Sanderson

Men rarely see their own actions as unjustified.

~Brandon Sanderson

Eternity ended ten years ago.

~Brandon Sanderson

Yes, Bastille. I keep trying to get killed because it's inconvenient for you.

~Brandon Sanderson

You are inexperienced. So was I, once. So is every man. The measure of a person is not how much they have lived. . . It's in how they make us of what life has shown them.

~Brandon Sanderson

It is a writer's greatest pleasure to hear that someone was kept up until the unholy hours of the morning reading one of their books

~Brandon Sanderson

Everything is a contest. All dealings among men are a contest in which some will succeed and others fail. And some are failing quite spectacularly.

~Brandon Sanderson

We were like deaf people trying to dance to a beat we couldn't hear, long after the music actually stopped.

~Brandon Sanderson

So, there I was, tied to an altar made from outdated encyclopedias, about to get sacrificed to the dark powers by a cult of evil Librarians.

~Brandon Sanderson

Using a fetching face to make men do as you wish is no different from a man using muscle to force a woman to his will. Both are base, and both will fail a person as they age.

~Brandon Sanderson

â€Ž"To Parlin's mind, nothing showed affection like a hunk of something dead and bleeding on the table.

~Brandon Sanderson

My job is not to save 'The Wheel of Time', to fix 'The Wheel of Time', or anything like that. My job is not to screw it up.

~Brandon Sanderson

Be warned - Hammond does tend to be a bit optimistic about these kind of things. If the army were made up of one-legged mutes, he would praise their balance and their listening skills.

~Brandon Sanderson

Well, then," he said. "Let's do it." "What?" Vin asked. "Save the world." Elend said. "Stop the ash.

~Brandon Sanderson

Now, I had been frightened on several different occasions in my life. The most frightening of these involved an elevator and a mime.

~Brandon Sanderson

Do not dash if you only have the strength to walk, and do not waste your time pushing on the walls that will not give. More importantly, don't shove where a pat would be sufficient.

~Brandon Sanderson

How totally unexpected," he declared, then proceeded to faint from blood loss.

~Brandon Sanderson

Impossible things are really rough to do, you know.

~Brandon Sanderson

I was thinking that work is like fertilizer in that I'm glad it exists; I just don't ever want to get stuck in it.

~Brandon Sanderson

Ham smiled. "Cett's going to be furious." Elend shrugged. "He's a paraplegic. What's he going to do? Bite us?"

~Brandon Sanderson

Belief?" "Yes," Sazed said. "Tell me, Mistress. What is it that you believe?" Vin frowned. "What kind of question is that?" "The most important kind, I think.

~Brandon Sanderson

You are nothing if not exhaustive in your self-congratulatory made-up logic.

~Brandon Sanderson

You cannot tempt the hearts of men who are pure.

~Brandon Sanderson

Sometimes, son," my father said, prying my fingers free, "you have to help the heroes along.

~Brandon Sanderson

Act with honor, and Honor will aid you

~Brandon Sanderson

People see in stories what they're looking for, my young friend.

~Brandon Sanderson

I will protect those who cannot protect themselves.

~Brandon Sanderson

A person knows when they're in darkness, even when they can't see.

-Nightblood

~Brandon Sanderson

It's like a banana farm for guns!

~Brandon Sanderson

Being polite to a person is not a sign of respect for them. It is merely a sign of a good upbringing and a balanced nature.

~Brandon Sanderson

Elend started. "Vin!" Then, he smiled. "What took you so long?" "I got delayed by an Inquistor and a dark god," she said. "Now hustle.

~Brandon Sanderson

All the world does as it is supposed to, except for humans. Maybe that's why you so often want to kill each other.

~Brandon Sanderson

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