

Charles Handy Quotes

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We cannot wait for great visions from great people, for they are in short supply. It is up to us to light our own small fires in the darkness.

~Charles Handy

Change is only another word for growth, another synonym for learning.

~Charles Handy

A leader shapes and shares a vision, which gives point to the work of others.

~Charles Handy

The best learning happens in real life with real problems and real people and not in classrooms.

~Charles Handy

The future is not inevitable. We can influence it, if we know what we want it to be.

~Charles Handy

In a knowledge economy, a good business is a community with a purpose, not a piece of property.

~Charles Handy

You have to stand outside the box to see how the box can be re-designed.

~Charles Handy

Creativity needs a bit of untidiness. Make everything too neat and there is no room for experiment.

~Charles Handy

If there is one general law of communication it is that we never communicate as effectively as we think we do.

~Charles Handy

Citizenship is the chance to make a difference to the place where you belong.

~Charles Handy

Instead of a national curriculum for education, what is really needed is an individual curriculum for every child

~Charles Handy

A good team is a great place to be, exciting, stimulating, supportive, successful. A bad team is horrible, a sort of human prison.

~Charles Handy

Purpose, pattern, and people, the three P's at the heart of life.

~Charles Handy

We are all prisoners of our past. It is hard to think of things except in the way we have always thought of them. But that solves no problems and seldom changes anything.

~Charles Handy

Learning is experience understood in tranquility.

~Charles Handy

A consultant solves other people's problems. I could never do that. I want to help other people solve their own problems.

~Charles Handy

If economic progress means that we become anonymous cogs in some great machine, then progress is an empty promise.

~Charles Handy

Why don't we teach our children in school what they are? We should say to them, 'You are unique... you have the capacity for anything. You are a marvel'.

~Charles Handy

Creativity is born of chaos, even if it is somewhat difficult to glimpse the possibilities in the midst of the confusion.

~Charles Handy

Profit has to be a means to other ends rather than an end in itself.

~Charles Handy

Talent comes with an individual name tag.

~Charles Handy

The market is a mechanism for sorting the efficient from the inefficient, it is not a substitute for responsibility.

~Charles Handy

Competition is healthy ... but there is more to life than winning or we should nearly all be losers

~Charles Handy

Home is the first school for us all, a school with no fixed curriculum, no quality control, no examinations, no teacher training

~Charles Handy

Most of us prefer to walk backward into the future, a posture that may be uncomfortable but which at least allows us to keep on looking at familiar things as long as we can.

~Charles Handy

Passion is born of vague hopes.

~Charles Handy

There is as far as I know, no example in history, of any state voluntarily ceding power from the centre to its constituent parts.

~Charles Handy

I believe that a lot of our striving after the symbols and levers of success is due to a basic insecurity, a need to prove ourselves. That done, grown up at last, we are free to stop pretending.

~Charles Handy

We need to have faith in the future to make sense of the present.

~Charles Handy

The world by and large has to be reinvented.

~Charles Handy

The sobering thought is that individuals and societies are not, in the end, remembered for how they made their money, but for how they spent it.

~Charles Handy

An economy that adds value through information, ideas, and intelligence-the Three I Economy-offers a way out of the apparent clash between material growth and environmental resources.

~Charles Handy

Ordinary citizens are so accepting of what is going on, grumbling when their material interests were affected, but seemingly accepting the spiritual poverty so characteristic of today.

~Charles Handy

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