

# D. Elton Trueblood Quotes

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Humor, Love Is, Future, Believe*

Evangelism is not a professional job for a few trained men, but is instead the unrelenting responsibility of every person who belongs to the company of Jesus.

~D. Elton Trueblood

A man has made at least a start on discovering the meaning of human life when he plants shade trees under which he knows full well he will never sit.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Faith is not belief without proof, but trust without reservation.

~D. Elton Trueblood

This historic Christian doctrine of the divinity of Christ does not simply mean that Jesus is like God. It is far more radical than that. It means that God is like Jesus.

~D. Elton Trueblood

No vital Christianity is possible unless at least three aspects of it are developed. These are the inner life of devotion, the outer life of service, and the intellectual life of rationality.

~D. Elton Trueblood

It takes a noble man to plant a seed for a tree that will someday give shade to people he may never meet.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Never trust a theologian who doesn't have a sense of humor.

~D. Elton Trueblood

If the average church should suddenly take seriously the notion that every lay member man or woman is really a minister of Christ, we could have something like a revolution in a very short time.

~D. Elton Trueblood

At the profoundest depths in life, men talk not about God but with Him.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Democracy is necessitated by the fact that all men are sinners; it is made possible by the fact that we know it.

~D. Elton Trueblood

The spoken word is never really effective unless it is backed up by a life, but it is also true that the living deed is never adequate without the support the spoken word can provide.

~D. Elton Trueblood

The world is equally shocked at hearing Christianity criticized and seeing it practiced.

~D. Elton Trueblood

The ultimate verification of our religion consists of the changed lives to which it can point and for which it is responsible.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Religion is never devoid of emotion, any more than love is. It is not a defect of religion, but rather its glory, that it speaks always the language of feeling.

~D. Elton Trueblood

Engineering is a predictive science, not a manipulative art.

~D. Elton Trueblood

The only way to happiness is never to give happiness a thought.

~D. Elton Trueblood

We need to be agnostics first and then there is some chance at arriving at a sensible system of belief.

~D. Elton Trueblood

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