

Daniel Berrigan Quotes

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Faith is rarely where your head is at. Nor is it where your heart is at.
Faith is where your ass is at!

~Daniel Berrigan

If you are going to follow Jesus, you better look good on wood.

~Daniel Berrigan

Start with the impossible. Proceed calmly towards the improbable. No worry, there are at least five exits.

~Daniel Berrigan

But how shall we educate men to goodness, to a sense of one another, to a love of truth? And more urgently, how shall we do this in a bad time?

~Daniel Berrigan

The gift we can offer others is so simple a thing as hope.

~Daniel Berrigan

One is called to live nonviolently, even if the change one works for seems impossible.

~Daniel Berrigan

We have one of our priests in prison right now for his antiwar actions, and three of us in the community are forbidden to visit him because we're all convicted felons.

~Daniel Berrigan

Well, I've been in several films including documentaries, but the big blockbuster, I was hired as advisor to the actors, I was trying to make Jesuits out of them.

~Daniel Berrigan

Because success is such a weasel word anyway, it's such a horribly

American word, and it's such a vamp and, I think it's a death trap.

~Daniel Berrigan

No principle is worth the sacrifice of a single human being.

~Daniel Berrigan

The God of life summons us to life; more, to be lifegivers, especially toward those who lie under the heel of the powers.

~Daniel Berrigan

You have to struggle to stay alive and be of use as long as you can.

~Daniel Berrigan

The arms race is worse than it ever was, the dumping of creation down a military rat hole is worse than it ever was, the wars across the earth are worse than they ever were.

~Daniel Berrigan

I don't have to prove my life. I just have to live.

~Daniel Berrigan

The Jesuits I know who have died and all their lives were great teachers, they're the least remembered people

~Daniel Berrigan

The death of a single human being is too heavy a price for the vindication of any principle, however sacred.

~Daniel Berrigan

I don't know a more irreligious attitude, one more utterly bankrupt of any human content, than one which permits children to be destroyed.

~Daniel Berrigan

A revolution is interesting insofar as it avoids like the plague the plague

it promised to heal.

~Daniel Berrigan

I'd like to die with my boots on.

~Daniel Berrigan

You can't bank on the outcome.

~Daniel Berrigan

You just have to do what you know is right.

~Daniel Berrigan

Spirituality was the main issue. Connection with God was the main issue.

~Daniel Berrigan

I think of my brother just out of prison again. He will have spent ten years of the last 30 in prison.

~Daniel Berrigan

I was publishing when I was 20, 21. And it really never stopped.

~Daniel Berrigan

Most Americans would agree that Plowshares is a Theatre of the Absurd.

~Daniel Berrigan

There are no makers of peace because the making of peace is at least as costly as the making of war - at least as exigent.

~Daniel Berrigan

My father had very little formal education.

~Daniel Berrigan

I never met a Jesuit before I applied for the order.

~Daniel Berrigan

It's not going to be easy to change things.

~Daniel Berrigan

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