

Denzel Washington

Quotes

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Put God first in everything you do ... Everything that I have is by the grace of God, understand that. It's a gift ... I didn't always stick with Him, but He stuck with me.

~Denzel Washington

Goals on the road to achievement cannot be achieved without discipline and consistency.

~Denzel Washington

Be careful what you ask for because when you pray for rain, you have to deal with the mud as well.

~Denzel Washington

Don't aspire to make a living, aspire to make a difference.

~Denzel Washington

Why do we close our eyes when we pray, cry, kiss, or dream? Because the most beautiful things in life are not seen but felt by the heart.

~Denzel Washington

The chances you take€! the people you meet€! the people you love...the faith that you have - that's what's going to define your life.

~Denzel Washington

Do what you have to do, to do what you want to do.

~Denzel Washington

To protect the sheep, you gotta catch the wolf. And it takes a wolf to catch a wolf, you understand?

~Denzel Washington

A man once told me that you step out of your door in the morning, and you are already in trouble. The only question is are you on top of that trouble or not?

~Denzel Washington

Nothing in life is worthwhile unless you take risks. Fall forward. Every failed experiment is one step closer to success.

~Denzel Washington

My mother used to tell me man gives the award, God gives the reward. I don't need another plaque.

~Denzel Washington

Got to be who you are in this world, no matter what.

~Denzel Washington

I don't concern myself with award. I'd been to the party enough times to know it really didn't matter.

~Denzel Washington

If you don't fail, you're not even trying.

~Denzel Washington

Money doesn't buy happiness. Some people say it's a heck of a down payment, though.

~Denzel Washington

The secret to a happy marriage? Do whatever your wife tells you. 'Yes, dear.' And breathe.

~Denzel Washington

Success? I don't know what that word means. I'm happy. But success, that goes back to what in somebody's eyes success means. For me, success is inner peace. That's a good day for me.

~Denzel Washington

Luck is where opportunity meets preparation.

~Denzel Washington

I believe in God. I don't fear man, I fear God.

~Denzel Washington

My faith helps me understand that circumstances don't dictate my happiness, my inner peace.

~Denzel Washington

You can't break me because you didn't make me.

~Denzel Washington

You pray for rain, you gotta deal with the mud too. That's a part of it.

~Denzel Washington

True desire in the heart for anything good is God's proof to you sent beforehand to indicate that it's yours already.

~Denzel Washington

Do what you gotta do so you can do what you wanna do.

~Denzel Washington

Dreams without goals, are just dreams and they ultimately fuel disappointment.

~Denzel Washington

Man gives you the award but God gives you the reward.

~Denzel Washington

Writing is a weapon and it's more powerful than a fist could ever be.

~Denzel Washington

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I've worked in a factory. I was a garbage man. I worked in a post office. It's not that long ago. I like to think that I'm just a regular guy.

~Denzel Washington

Cursed be the ground for our sake. Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for us. For out of the ground we were taken, for the dust we are and to the dust we shall return.

~Denzel Washington

The Bible says "faith without works is nothing" so destiny is great, fate is great, faith is great - but you still have to work at it. I don't just sit at home and wait for it all to unfold.

~Denzel Washington

My mother never gave up on me. I messed up in school so much they were sending me home, but my mother sent me right back.

~Denzel Washington

Thank God in advance for what's already yours.

~Denzel Washington

There's a book called "The Sociopath Next Door." I thought most sociopaths were violent. In fact, they aren't. But almost all sociopaths want to win, no matter what.

~Denzel Washington

I say luck is when an opportunity comes along and you're prepared for it.

~Denzel Washington

I read the Bible every day.

~Denzel Washington

So you never know who you touch. You never know how or when you'll

have an impact, or how important your example can be to someone else" (20).

~Denzel Washington

Put God first in everything you do.

~Denzel Washington

Acting is like music and you improvise. It's like jazz, there's no rhyme or reason to it. It's not a plan. You practice to music and you just play it.

~Denzel Washington

A sociopath will do anything to win. Anything.

~Denzel Washington

I actually don't hang out with any celebrities. My closest friends are old friends. And my real close friends, none of them are actors.

~Denzel Washington

Every failed experiment is one step closer to success.

~Denzel Washington

If you want to be a warrior, you have to train.

~Denzel Washington

Talent comes from God. If you have been given some, then value it, cultivate it, work and develop it.

~Denzel Washington

If I am a cup maker, I'm interested in making the best cup I possibly can. My effort goes into that cup, not what people think about it.

~Denzel Washington

As an actor in the theater you're taught that you never play a bad guy. You have to love who you are. You can't say, "Oh, I'm a bad guy." How

do you play that?

~Denzel Washington

Acting is just a way of making a living, the family is life.

~Denzel Washington

The poorest people are the sweetest people.

~Denzel Washington

I've found that nothing in life is worthwhile unless you take risks.

~Denzel Washington

I walk by faith, not by sight.

~Denzel Washington

[Saniyya Sidney] was very serious about her work and her craft, and she wanted to be good, and she wanted to work on it. So I said, "Ok." It was as simple as that. She was just right. She just has it.

~Denzel Washington

I even asked [Saniyya Sidney] why she wanted to be an actor and she said, "I'm serious about this. These other little kids they want to play, and I don't have time for that."

~Denzel Washington

If you don't trust the pilot, don't go.

~Denzel Washington

Where I think the most work needs to be done is behind the camera, not in front of it.

~Denzel Washington

The time to worrying about flying is when you're on the ground. When you're up in the air, it's too late. No point in worrying about it then.

~Denzel Washington

I think a role model is a mentor - someone you see on a daily basis, and you learn from them.

~Denzel Washington

I work hard for the audience. It's entertainment. I don't need validation.

~Denzel Washington

Any good piece of material like Shakespeare ought to be open to reinterpretation.

~Denzel Washington

I never really had the classic struggle. I had faith.

~Denzel Washington

I love research and being educated. It's a great job being able to step into all kinds of professions and into other people's shoes.

~Denzel Washington

I'm not interested in being a celebrity; I'm interested in being a better actor and a better director.

~Denzel Washington

It's not easy for me to admit that I've been standing in the same place for 18 years.

~Denzel Washington

If you don't love your fellow man, women, person, then you don't have anything. If you don't treat your neighbor as you would want to be treated that to me is the fundamental message.

~Denzel Washington

We do what we have to so we can do what we want to.

~Denzel Washington

Revenge is a meal best served cold.

~Denzel Washington

It's not what you know, it's what you can prove.

~Denzel Washington

One good thing about acting in film is that it's good therapy.

~Denzel Washington

Black or white good parts are hard to come by. A good actor with a good opportunity has a shot; without the opportunity it doesn't matter how good you are.

~Denzel Washington

I think the bottom of the totem pole is African-American women, or women of colour. I think they get the least opportunities in Hollywood.

~Denzel Washington

I and haven't been unemployed for 20 years. I'm an exception to the rule.

~Denzel Washington

I try to encourage actors to work harder off screen because that's where you find things.

~Denzel Washington

I wasn't allowed to go to movies when I was kid; my father was a minister. 101 Dalmatians and King of Kings, that was the extent of it.

~Denzel Washington

When you make a movie it's always interesting, because you end up in places you never would as a normal visitor or tourist.

~Denzel Washington

When people protest and are upset with a movie, it becomes a big hit. They hated *Passion of The Christ*, it worked out pretty well for the box office. So let's get that going.

~Denzel Washington

My ultimate life dream project is my kids. My family.

~Denzel Washington

The lessons I learned in Sunday School have kept me on track

~Denzel Washington

It's important for us to tell our stories.

~Denzel Washington

In my humble opinion, in the nuclear world, the true enemy is war itself.

~Denzel Washington

Hate, hatred for yourself, for other people, will confine you, but love can set you free.

~Denzel Washington

I'd be more frightened by not using whatever abilities I'd been given. I'd be more frightened by procrastination and laziness.

~Denzel Washington

I've always felt protected. That's the God's honest truth.

~Denzel Washington

I've always seen it to be a privilege to make movies. It's a really expensive, creative medium.

~Denzel Washington

Don't be afraid to fail big, to dream big.

~Denzel Washington

If you take the time and put in the effort to write your own material and absolutely refuse to be denied the right to make your film it is difficult whatever colour you are.

~Denzel Washington

Meryl and Katharine Hepburn are probably the two greatest actresses of this and the last century.

~Denzel Washington

Raising the standard of the work, not complaining about somebody not voting.

~Denzel Washington

The last few years I've been saying I was ready to quit. It wasn't that interesting to me. Now that I'm directing, it's all new again.

~Denzel Washington

Acting, it's not my life, my children and my family, that's life. I'll get up every morning, God willing, for that.

~Denzel Washington

Hate put me in prison. Love's gonna bust me out.

~Denzel Washington

You will never see a U-Haul behind a hearse.

~Denzel Washington

If you have an enemy, then learn and know your enemy, don't just be mad at him or her.

~Denzel Washington

I just try to be honest and true to the character and play the part.

~Denzel Washington

We live in a time when people give up too easy.

~Denzel Washington

Dakota Fanning is a child, but she is a wonderful actor. I don't know what a child actor is. She's an actor who's a child.

~Denzel Washington

In Los Angeles, everyone is a star.

~Denzel Washington

I get nervous when a picture goes beyond two hours.

~Denzel Washington

There's things that I can do as an actor that I couldn't do in any other form of life and I've got a strange personality. But film requires strange people, so I've got a nice comfy home.

~Denzel Washington

[Movie "Fences"] is more than holds up today. We have had a tremendous response at the screenings.

~Denzel Washington

That's what I tell young actors. "You don't have to compromise. Go do some theater and wait for an appropriate role."

~Denzel Washington

We just had to stay out-of-the-way [in Fences]. [August Wilson] already wrote a masterpiece. And you really don't know how it's going to work until you get it in front of an audience.

~Denzel Washington

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