

Edwin Hubbel Chapin Quotes

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Every action of our lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The bosom can ache beneath diamond brooches; and many a blithe heart dances under coarse wool.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Through every rift of discovery some seeming anomaly drops out of the darkness, and falls, as a golden link into the great chain of order.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

It is difficult to believe that a true gentleman will ever become a gamester, a libertine, or a sot.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Do not judge from mere appearances.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

No language can express the power and beauty and heroism of a mother's love.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Never does the human soul appear so strong as when it foregoes revenge, and dares to forgive an injury.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Pride is the master sin of the devil, and the devil is the father of lies.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Heaven never defaults. The wicked are sure of their wages, sooner or later.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Neutral men are the devil's allies.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Goodness consists not in the outward things we do, but in the inward thing we are.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The universe is a vast system of exchange. Every artery of it is in motion, throbbing with reciprocity, from the planet to the rotting leaf.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Poetry is the utterance of deep and heart-felt truth - the true poet is very near the oracle.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

We have not the innocence of Eden; but by God's help and Christ's example we may have the victory of Gethsemane.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

A true man never frets about his place in the world, but just slides into it by the gravitation of his nature, and swings there as easily as a star.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Tribulation will not hurt you, unless as it too often does; it hardens you and makes you sour, narrow and skeptical

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

There is but a slight difference between the man who may be said to know nothing and him who thinks he knows everything.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Impatience never commanded success.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Christ illustrates the purport of life as He descends from His transfiguration to toil, and goes forward to exchange that robe of heavenly brightness for the crown of thorns.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

No man knows the genuineness of his convictions until he has sacrificed something for them.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Christ saw much in this world to weep over, and much to pray over: but he saw nothing in it to look upon with contempt.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

It is not enjoined upon us to forget, but we are told to forgive, our enemies.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The church-bells of innumerable sects are all chime-bells to-day, ringing in sweet accordance throughout many lands, and awaking a great joy in the heart of our common humanity.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Not in achievement, but in endurance, of the human soul, does it show its divine grandeur and its alliance with the infinite.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Events are only the shells of ideas; and often it is the fluent thought of ages that is crystallized in a moment by the stroke of a pen or the point of a bayonet.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The way to overcome evil is to love something that is good.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The unmerciful man is most certainly an unblessed man. His sympathies are all dried up; he is afflicted with a chronic jaundice, and lives timidly and darkly in a little, narrow rat-hole of distrust.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Ostentation is the signal flag of hypocrisy.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

No more duty can be urged upon those who are entering the great theater of life than simple loyalty to their best convictions.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

It is those who make the least display of their sorrow who mourn the deepest.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The individual and the race are always moving, and as we drift into new latitudes new lights open in the heaven more immediately over us.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Gaiety is often the reckless ripple over depths of despair.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The essence of justice is mercy.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The deepest life of nature is silent and obscure; so often the elements that move and mould society are the results of the sister's counsel and the mother's prayer.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Bigotry dwarfs the soul by shutting out the truth.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

There are daily martyrdoms occurring of more or less self-abnegation, and of which the world knows nothing.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Death, is not an end, but a transition crisis. All the forms of decay are but masks of regeneration--the secret alembics of vitality.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Mercy among the virtues is like the moon among the stars ... It is the light that hovers above the judgment seat.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Certainly, truth should be strenuous and bold; but the strongest things are not always the noisiest, as any one may see who compares scolding with logic.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The golden age is not in the past, but in the future; not in the origin of human experience, but in its consummate flower; not opening in Eden, but out from Gethsemane.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Skepticism has never founded empires, established principals, or changed the world's heart. The great doers in history have always been people of faith.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

However logical our induction, the end of the thread is fastened upon the assurance of faith.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

At the bottom of not a little of the bravery that appears in the world, there lurks a miserable cowardice. Men will face powder and steel because they have not the courage to face public opinion.

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Profaneness is a brutal vice. He who indulges in it is no gentleman.

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In some way the secret vice exhales its poison; and the evil passion, however cunningly masked, stains through to the surface.

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There have been men who could play delightful music on one string of the violin, but there never was a man who could produce the harmonies of heaven in his soul by a one-stringed virtue.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Under the shadow of earthly disappointment, all unconscious to ourselves, our Divine Redeemer is walking by our side.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Break up the institution of the family, deny the inviolability of its relations, and in a little while there would not be any humanity.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Death makes a beautiful appeal to charity. When we look upon the dead form, so composed and still, the kindness and the love that are in us all come forth.

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Death is the condition of higher and more fruitful life.

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Setting is preliminary to brighter rising; decay is a process of advancement; death is the condition of higher and more fruitful life.

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This is the essential evil of vice: it debases a man.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Temptation cannot exist without the concurrence of inclination and opportunity.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The creed of a true saint is to make the best of life, and to make the most of it.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Whatever touches the nerves of motive, whatever shifts man's moral position, is mightier than steam, or calorie, or lightening.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

No one can truly see Christ, and drink in the influence of his character, and not be a Christian at heart.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

In this world the inclination to do things is of more importance than the mere power.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The wild bird that flies so lone and far has somewhere its nest and brood. A little fluttering heart of love impels its wings, and points its course. There is nothing so solitary as a solitary man.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Whatever you truly conceive of in the mind, is possible.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The more we sympathize with excellence, the more we go out of self, the more we love, the broader and deeper is our personality.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

There is less misery in being cheated than in that kind of wisdom which perceives, or thinks it perceives, that all mankind are cheats.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The temptation is not here, where you are reading about it or praying about it. It is down in your shop, among bales and boxes, ten-penny nails, and sand-paper.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The city reveals the moral ends of being, and sets the awful problem of life. The country soothes us, refreshes us, lifts us up with religious suggestion.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The conservative may clamor against reform, but he might as well clamor against the centrifugal force. He sighs for the "good old times,"--he might as well wish the oak back into the acorn.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

It is as bad to clip conscience as to clip coin; it is as bad to give a counterfeit statement as a counterfeit bill.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Conscience is its own readiest accuser.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Consider and act with reference to the true ends of existence. This world is but the vestibule of an immortal life. Every action of our lives touches on some chord that will vibrate in eternity.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Hill and valley, seas and constellations, are but stereotypes of divine ideas appealing to and answered by the living soul of man.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Influence is exerted by every human being from the hour of birth to that of death.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Pure felicity is reserved for the heavenly life; it grows not in an earthly soil.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

We move too much in platoons; we march by sections; we do not live in our vital individuality enough; we are slaves to fashion, in mind and in heart, if not to our passions and appetites.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Impatience dries the blood sooner than age or sorrow.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Is there anything so wretched as to look at a man of fine abilities doing nothing?

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Swift calls discretion low prudence; it is high prudence, and one of the most important elements entering into either social or political life.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Christianity has made martyrdom sublime, and sorrow triumphant.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

We may learn by practice such things upon earth as shall be of use to us in heaven. Piety, unostentatious piety, is never out of place.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

A great many men - some comparatively small men now - if put in the right position, would be Luthers and Columbuses.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The highest genius never flowers in satire, but culminates in sympathy with that which is best in human nature, and appeals to it.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

An aged Christian, with the snow of time upon his head, may remind us that those points of earth are whitest which are nearest to heaven.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

As for environments, the kingliest being ever born in the flesh lay in a manger.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Morality is but the vestibule of religion.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

It is the penalty of fame that a man must ever keep rising. "Get a reputation, and then go to bed," is the absurdest of all maxims. "Keep up a reputation or go to bed, "would be nearer the truth.

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Revolution does not insure progress. You may overturn thrones, but what proof that anything better will grow upon the soil?

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The brightest crowns that are worn in heaven have been tried, and smelted, and polished and glorified through the furnaces of tribulation.

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In the history of man it has been very generally the case that when evils have grown insufferable they have touched the point of cure.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The best men are not those who have waited for chances but who have taken them; besieged the chance; conquered the chance; and made

chance the servitor.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The downright fanatic is nearer to the heart of things than the cool and slippery disputant.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Not only is music a beautiful and sublime science, the study of which ennobles and purifies the mind of its votary, but how many and excellent are its ministries to others!

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

I know a good many people, I think, who are bigots, and who know they are bigots, and are sorry for it, but they dare not be anything else.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

The loss of fortune to a true man is but the trumpet challenge to renewed exertion, not the thunder stroke of destruction.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

God is the explanation of all things.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

In the matter of faith, we have the added weight of hope to that of reason in the convictions which we sustain relating to a future state.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

There is such a thing as honest pride and self-respect.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Profaneness is a brutal vice. He who indulges in it is no gentleman, I care not what his stamp may be in society; I care not what clothes he wears, or what culture he boasts.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Each thing lives according to its kind; the heart by love, the intellect by truth, the higher nature of man by intimate communion with God.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Life itself suggests a higher good than life itself can yield.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Truth is the root, but human sympathy is the flower of practical life.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Some souls are ennobled and elevated by seeming misfortunes, which then become blessings in disguise.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Whatever may be our condition in life, it is better to lay hold of its advantages than to count its evils.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

Truth is poetry; it is the grandest poetry.

~Edwin Hubbel Chapin

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