

Emanuel Swedenborg

Quotes

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Peace has in it trust in the Lord, that He governs all things, provides all things, and leads to a good end.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Heaven is not located on high, but where the good of love is, and this resides within a person, wherever he or she might be.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Worship does not consist in prayers and in external devotion, but in a life of kindness.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

True charity is the desire to be useful to others with no thought of recompense.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Destruction was effected after visitation, for visitation always precedes.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Love in its essence is spiritual fire.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The act of exploring what the men are, and moreover the separation of the good from the evil, is visitation; and the good are then removed, and the evil are left behind.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

For those who trust in the Divine all things are moving towards an everlasting state of happiness, and no matter what happens at any time to them, it contributes to that state.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Every single moment of a person's life, both of the understanding and of the will, is a new beginning.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Our love is our life itself. What our love is like determines how we live and therefore everything about what we are as human beings.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Conscience is God's presence in humans.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The essence of love is that what is ours should belong to someone else. Feeling the joy of someone else as joy within ourselves-that is loving.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Everything good or true that the angels inspire in us is God's, so God is constantly talking to us. He talks very differently, though, to one person than to another.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

All our longings for what is loving and true reach out into heaven. They put us in touch with angels who are feeling the same way and unite us with them.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

A person's life from infancy to old age is nothing else than an advance from the world towards heaven, the last stage of which is death; the actual transition from one life to the next.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

We are all spirits inwardly. This is what's alive in the body, not the body on its own.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Man knows that there is love, but he does not know what love is.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

All religion relates to life, and the life of religion is to do good

~Emanuel Swedenborg

We are, because God is.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Charity is like warmth in springtime or summer that causes grass, plants, and trees to grow. Without charity, or spiritual warmth, nothing grows.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Love comes into being through useful service to others.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

God loves every one of us but cannot directly benefit us; he can benefit us only indirectly through each other. For this reason he inspires us with his love

~Emanuel Swedenborg

A man after death, is not a natural but a spiritual man; nevertheless he still appears in all respects like himself.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Anyone can see that intending and not acting when we can is not really intending, and loving and not doing good when we can is not really loving.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

A life of kindness is the primary meaning of divine worship.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Love is the life of humanity.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The quality of the Lord's church on earth, cannot be seen by any man, so long as he lives in the world, still less how the church in process of time has turned aside from good to evil

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The activity of love and faith is what makes heaven.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Faith is knowing and thinking those truths: charity is willing and doing them.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

This I can declare: things that are in heaven are more real than things that are in the world.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Goodness shapes our will, and truth shapes our understanding.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

A man who knows all goods and all truths, as many as can be known, but does not shun evils, knows nothing.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Love consists in desiring to give what is our own to another and feeling his delight as our own.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Every man is received in heaven who receives heaven in himself while in the world, and he is excluded who does not.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The divine essence itself is love and wisdom.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Angelic happiness is in service, from service, and according to service.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

I have seen a thousand times that Angels are human form, or men, for I have conversed with them as man to man, sometimes with one alone, sometimes with many in company.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The end of creation is that all things may return to the Creator and be united with Him.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Heaven is such that all who have lived well, of whatever religion, have a place there.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Man is so created that as to his internal he cannot die; for he is capable of believing in God, and thus of being conjoined to God by faith and love, and to be conjoined to God is to live to eternity.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Two consorts in heaven are not two, but one angel.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

For in every particular of the Word there is an internal sense which treats of things spiritual and heavenly, not of things natural and worldly, such as are treated of in the sense of the letter.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

He who is in evil, is also in the punishment of evil.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Angels never attack, as infernal spirits do. Angels only ward off and defend.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The nature of heaven is to provide a place there for all who lead good lives, no matter what their religion may be.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The inner self is as distinct from the outer self as heaven is from earth.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Man, before he is being regenerated, does not even know that any internal man exists, much less is he acquainted with its nature and quality.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Goodness and love mould the form into their own image, and cause the joy and beauty of love to shine forth from every part of the face.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

What is true is true, and what is false is false.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Justice is following the divine design in all that one does, and bringing back into the divine design things that have fallen away from that design. Justice is the divine design itself.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The Lord casts no one down in Hell, but the spirit casts himself hither.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

One's distance from Heaven is in proportion to the measure of one's self-love.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Hell and Heaven are near man, yes, in him; and every man after death goes to that Hell or heaven in which he was, or to his spirit, during his abode in the world.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

What a man thinks in his spirit in the world, that he does after his departure from the world when he becomes a spirit.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

A heavenly society is a harmony of many.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Times of happiness, bliss, and sheer delight intensify as the higher levels of our minds are opened within us. One our life on earth is over, these levels keep rising forever.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

If love is not married to wisdom (or if goodness is not married to truth), it cannot accomplish anything.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Self-love and the love of the world constitute hell.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

To have dominion by religion, is to have dominion over men's souls, thus over their very spiritual life, and to use the Divine things, which are in their religion, as the means

~Emanuel Swedenborg

This Divine truth flows into heaven from the Lord from His Divine love

~Emanuel Swedenborg

So far any one shuns evils, so far as he does good.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The church of the Lord is spread over all the globe, and is thus universal; and all those are in it who have lived in the good of charity in accordance with their religion.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Sacred scripture is like a mirror in which we see God, although each in a different way.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Such as the love is, such is the wisdom, consequently such is the man (n. 368) (Divine Love and Wisdom, 1763)

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The Divine of the Lord in heaven is love, for the reason that love is receptive of all things of heaven, such as peace, intelligence, wisdom and happiness

~Emanuel Swedenborg

For the judgment was accomplished not only upon all the men of the Christian church, but also upon all who are called Mohammedans, and, moreover, upon all the Gentiles in the whole world.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

All union is effected by love, and love is not love without trust.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Adultery is an image of hell.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Man is an organ of life, and God alone is life.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

He who assists a poor or needy villain does evil to his neighbor...for through the assistance which he renders he...supplies him with the

means of doing evil to others.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Charity alone, or love and compassion, is what joins [the Lord and a person] together.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

In a word, to grow old in heaven is to grow young.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

It can in no sense be said that heaven is outside of any one; it is within ... and a man, also, so far as he receives heaven, is a recipient, a heaven, and an angel.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

We all have spirits present with us who are feeling the way we are.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

No one's character is completely like another's this infinite variety is like a mirror in which we can see the infinity of God the Creator.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

People are unaware that spirits even exist, let alone that angels are present with them.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The more one is absorbed in so-called philosophy, the greater one's delusion and blindness.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

To will and not to do when there is opportunity is in reality not to will; and to love what is good and not to do it, when it is possible, is in reality not to love it

~Emanuel Swedenborg

And as the divine that goes forth from the Lord is the good of love and the truth of faith, the angels are angels and are heaven in the measure in which they receive good and truth from the Lord.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

First of all it must be known who the God of heaven is, since upon that all the other things depend.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

The sky is an enormous man.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Charity means love towards the neighbor and compassion, for anyone who loves his neighbor as himself also has as much compassion for him in his suffering as he does for himself in his own.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

For the spiritual sense of the Word treats everywhere of the spiritual world, that is, of the state of the church in the heavens, as well as in the earth; hence the Word is spiritual and Divine.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

In heaven there are two distinct loves, love to the Lord and love towards the neighbor, in the inmost or third heaven love to the Lord, in the second or middle heaven love towards the neighbor.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Charity is to will and do what is just and right in every transaction.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

Charity itself consists in acting justly and faithfully in whatever office, business and employment a person is engaged in.

~Emanuel Swedenborg

So far as the Angels are recipients of that spiritual heat and light they are loves and wisdoms, not loves and wisdoms for themselves, but from the Lord.

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