

Frederick W. Smith

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My four years in the Marine Corps left me with an indelible understanding of the value of leadership skills.

~Frederick W. Smith

Fear of failure must never be a reason not to try something.

~Frederick W. Smith

I'm not afraid to take a swing and miss.

~Frederick W. Smith

There is no free market for oil. It's controlled by a cartel, OPEC.

~Frederick W. Smith

A good Christian is a velvet-covered brick.

~Frederick W. Smith

Only electricity can give the transport sector the flexibility to switch fuels when one or more become too expensive.

~Frederick W. Smith

Leaders get out in front and stay there by raising the standards by which they judge themselves - and by which they are willing to be judged.

~Frederick W. Smith

I do not believe I could have built FedEx without the skills I learned from the Marine Corps.

~Frederick W. Smith

My innovation involved taking an idea from the telecommunications and banking industries, and applying that idea to transportation business.

~Frederick W. Smith

A lot of the economy is indeed being supplied by goods that are

produced offshore. And much of the reason for that is societal.

~Frederick W. Smith

Beginning in 1973 and then acts in '77, '78, 1980, 1994 and then into the 21st century in the international arena, governments have steadily gotten out of the transportation business.

~Frederick W. Smith

If you look historically, what creates growth and wealth is innovation and investment, and increase in scale - more customers.

~Frederick W. Smith

I am not someone who tends to advocate for increased government involvement in the private sector.

~Frederick W. Smith

The tax rate of 35 percent is impossible to provide an incentive to the large corporations, that have \$1.7 trillion offshore, to put their money back in the United States.

~Frederick W. Smith

The United States tax system today is very prejudiced towards financialization, leverage, and lack of investment.

~Frederick W. Smith

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