

# Fulton J. Sheen

## Quotes

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Moral principles do not depend on a majority vote. Wrong is wrong, even if everybody is wrong. Right is right, even if nobody is right.

~Fulton J. Sheen

There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate The Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Patience is power. Patience is not an absence of action; rather it is "timing" it waits on the right time to act, for the right principles and in the right way.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Civilization is always in danger when those who have never learned to obey are given the right to command.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Prayer begins by talking to God, but it ends by listening to Him. In the face of Absolute Truth, silence is the soul's language.

~Fulton J. Sheen

God does not love us because we are valuable. We are valuable because God loves us.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The greatest love story of all time is contained in a tiny white Host.

~Fulton J. Sheen

A Catholic may sin and sin as badly as anyone else, but no genuine Catholic ever denies he is a sinner. A Catholic wants his sins forgiven - not excused or sublimated.

~Fulton J. Sheen

If you do not live what you believe, you will end up believing what you live.

~Fulton J. Sheen

There is no word more "dangerous" than liberalism, because to oppose it is the new "unforgivable sin."

~Fulton J. Sheen

Sometimes the only way the good Lord can get into some hearts is to break them.

~Fulton J. Sheen

All badness is spoiled goodness. A bad apple is a good apple that became rotten. Because evil has no capital of its own, it is a parasite that feeds on goodness.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Ever since the days of Adam, man has been hiding from God and saying, 'God is hard to find.'

~Fulton J. Sheen

Many souls fail to find God because they want a religion which will remake society without remaking themselves.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Believe the incredible and you can do the impossible.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Help someone in distress and you lighten your own burden; the very joy of alleviating the sorrow of another is the lessening of one's own.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Criticism of others is thus an oblique form of self-commendation. We think we make the picture hang straight on our wall by telling our

neighbors that all his pictures are crooked.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Most commit the same mistake with God that they do with their friends: they do all the talking.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Humility is dependence on God as pride is independence of Him. The humble soul is always the thankful soul.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Broadmindedness, when it means indifference to right and wrong, eventually ends in a hatred of what is right.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Hearing nuns' confessions is like being stoned to death with popcorn.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Jealousy is the tribute which mediocrity pays to genius.

~Fulton J. Sheen

There are two ways of waking up in the morning. One is to say, 'Good morning, God,' and the other is to say, 'Good God, morning!'

~Fulton J. Sheen

Leisure is a form of silence, not noiselessness. It is the silence of contemplation such as occurs when we let our minds rest on a rosebud, a child at play, a Divine mystery, or a waterfall.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The old liberal rebelled against taxation without responsibility, the new liberal wants the taxation as a handout without responsibility.

~Fulton J. Sheen

A woman gets angry when a man denies his faults, because she knew them all along. His lying mocks her affection; it is the deceit that angers her more than the faults.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Evil may have its hour, but God will have His day.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Before the sin, Satan assures us that it is of no consequence; after the sin, he persuades us that it is unforgivable.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Pride is an admission of weakness; it secretly fears all competition and dreads all rivals.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Love is a mutual self-giving which ends in self-recovery.

~Fulton J. Sheen

When a child is given to his parents, a crown is made for that child in Heaven, and woe to the parents who raise a child without consciousness of that eternal crown!

~Fulton J. Sheen

It's impossible to lose your footing when you're on your knees.

~Fulton J. Sheen

I feel it is time that I also pay tribute to my four writers, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Most of us do not like to look inside ourselves for the same reason we don't like to open a letter that has bad news.

~Fulton J. Sheen

There are angels near you to guide you and protect you, if you would but invoke them. It is not later than we think, it is a bigger world than we think.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Charity is to be measured, not by what one has given away, but by what one has left.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The difference between the love of a man and the love of a woman is that a man will always give reasons for loving, but a woman gives no reasons for loving.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Let those who think that the Church pays too much attention to Mary give heed to the fact that Our Blessed Lord Himself gave ten times as much of His life to her as He gave to His Apostles.

~Fulton J. Sheen

It was to a virgin woman that the birth of the Son of God was announced. It was to a fallen woman that his resurrection was announced.

~Fulton J. Sheen

To create the world cost God nothing; to save it from sin cost His Life Blood.

~Fulton J. Sheen

When you are getting kicked from the rear it means you are in front.

~Fulton J. Sheen

If you do not live out your faith enthusiastically, maybe you don't have any faith.

~Fulton J. Sheen

If you do not worship God, you worship something, and nine times out of ten it will be yourself.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Communism is the final logic of the dehumanization of man.

~Fulton J. Sheen

There is more grace per square foot in San Francisco than any place on earth.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Every moment comes to you pregnant with divine purpose . . . . Once it leaves your hands and your power to do with it as you please, it plunges into eternity, to remain forever what you made it.

~Fulton J. Sheen

You must remember to love people and use things, rather than to love things and use people.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Fasting detaches you from this world. Prayer reattaches you to the next world.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Show me your hands. Do they have scars from giving? Show me your feet. Are they wounded in service? Show me your heart. Have you left a place for divine love?

~Fulton J. Sheen

No man discovers anything big if he does not make himself small.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Nothing ever happens in the world that does not happen first inside human hearts.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Skeptics always want miracles such as stepping down from the Cross, but never the greater miracle of forgiveness.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Our Lord did not ask us to give up the things of earth, but to exchange them for better things.

~Fulton J. Sheen

We are all born with the power of speech, but we need grammar. Conscience, too, needs Revelation.

~Fulton J. Sheen

I wonder maybe if our Lord does not suffer more from our indifference, than He did from the crucifixion.

~Fulton J. Sheen

It is easy to find truth, though it is hard to face it, and harder still to follow it.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Freedom that ignores the transcendent difference between good and evil ends in the denial of freedom itself.

~Fulton J. Sheen

We must go out to Pure Life, Pure Truth, Pure Love, and that is the definition of God. He is the ultimate goal of life; from Him we came, and in Him alone do we find our peace.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Tolerance is an attitude of reasoned patience toward evil... a forbearance that restrains us from showing anger or inflicting punishment. Tolerance applies only to persons... never to truth.



~Fulton J. Sheen

The proud man counts his newspaper clippings, the humble man his blessings.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Whenever man attempts to do what he knows to be the Master's will, a power will be given him equal to the duty.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Far better it is for you to say: "I am a sinner," than to say: "I have no need of religion." The empty can be filled, but the self-intoxicated have no room for God.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Souls generally do not fall away from Christ because of the Creed; they first have difficulty with the Commandments.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Judge the Catholic Church not by those who barely live by its spirit, but by the example of those who live closest to it.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Other people are like a mirror which reflects back on us the kind of image we cast.

~Fulton J. Sheen

A man without God is not like a cake without raisins; he is like a cake without the flour and milk; he lacks the essential ingredients.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Baloney is flattery laid on so thick it cannot be true, and blarney is flattery so thin we love it.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Once a man ceases to be of service to his neighbor, he begins to be a burden to him.

~Fulton J. Sheen

How could science be an enemy of religion when God commanded man to be a scientist the day He told him to rule the earth and subject it?

~Fulton J. Sheen

To tell a woman who is forty, "You look like sixteen," is boloney. The blarney way of saying it is "Tell me how old you are, I should like to know at what age women are the most beautiful.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Love burdens itself with the wants and woes and losses and even the wrongs of others.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Satan always tempts the pure - the others are already his.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Prayer is helplessness casting itself on Power, infirmity leaning on Strength, misery reaching to Mercy, and a prisoner clamoring for Relief.

~Fulton J. Sheen

But there was no room at the inn"; the inn is the gathering place of public opinion; so often public opinion locks its doors to the King.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Do mathematics have a relation to reality or are they only a mathematical symbol?

~Fulton J. Sheen

At Cana, [Mary] gave Him as a Savior to sinners; on the Cross He gave her as a refuge to sinners.

~Fulton J. Sheen

In vocal prayer we go to God on foot. In meditation we go to God on horseback. In contemplation we go to God in a jet.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Unless there is a Good Friday in your life, there can be no Easter Sunday.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The forgiveness of God is one thing, but the proof that we want that forgiveness is the energy we expend to make amends for the wrong.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Once you have surrendered yourself, you make yourself receptive. In receiving from God, you are perfected and completed.

~Fulton J. Sheen

A person is great, not by the ferocity of his hatred of evil, but by the intensity of his love for God.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Life is like a cash register, in that every account, every thought, every deed, like every sale, is registered and recorded.

~Fulton J. Sheen

We become like that which we love. If we love what is base, we become base; but if we love what is noble, we become noble.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Satan stations more devils on monastery walls than in the dens of iniquity, for the latter offer no resistance.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The power of the rosary is beyond description.

~Fulton J. Sheen

No man hates God without first hating himself.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The danger today is in believing there are no sick people, there is only a sick society.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Counsel involving right and wrong should never be sought from a man who does not say his prayers.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Never measure your generosity by what you give, but rather by what you have left.

~Fulton J. Sheen

When the record of any human life is set down, there are three pairs of eyes who see it in a different light. There is the life as I see it. as others see it, and as God sees it.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Everything that is full of life loves change, for the characteristic of life is movement toward a new goal and urges toward new pleasures

~Fulton J. Sheen

The Rosary is the book of the blind.

~Fulton J. Sheen

To see a priest making his meditation before Mass does more for an altar boy's vocation than a thousand pieces of inspirational literature.

~Fulton J. Sheen

If you don't behave as you believe, you will end by believing as you behave.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The only way to win audiences is to tell people about the life and death of Christ. Every other approach is a waste.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Nothing is more destined to create deep-seated anxieties in people than the false assumption that life should be free from anxieties.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Joy is the happiness of love - love aware of its own inner happiness. Pleasure comes from without, and joy comes from within, and it is, therefore, within reach of everyone in the world.

~Fulton J. Sheen

The way not to lead a monotonous life is to live for others.

~Fulton J. Sheen

All love craves unity.

~Fulton J. Sheen

Facts themselves do not give knowledge

~Fulton J. Sheen

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