

# Gail Godwin

## Quotes

*Thinking, People, Success, Ifs, Want, Hope, Believe, Writing, Dream, Two, Morning, Youth, Might, Appreciate, Life Is, Strange, Doe, Friendship, World, Race*

Good teaching is one-fourth preparation and three-fourths pure theatre.

~Gail Godwin

One is taught by experience to put a premium on those few people who can appreciate you for what you are.

~Gail Godwin

The characters that I create are parts of myself and I send them on little missions to find out what I don't know yet.

~Gail Godwin

Some things arrive in their own mysterious hour, on their own terms and not yours, to be seized or relinquished forever.

~Gail Godwin

Dreams say what they mean, but they don't say it in daytime language.

~Gail Godwin

Negative people present us with an accelerated personal growth opportunity.

~Gail Godwin

The best antidote I have found is to yearn for something. As long as you yearn, you can't congeal: There is a forward motion to yearning.

~Gail Godwin

The more you respect and focus on the singular and the strange, the more you become aware of the universal and infinite.

~Gail Godwin

The act of longing for something will always be more intense than the requiting of it.

~Gail Godwin

Life is a disease.

~Gail Godwin

None of us suddenly becomes something overnight. The preparations have been in the making for lifetime.

~Gail Godwin

If there is such a thing as sin in this world, I think it must be shutting oneself up against hope.

~Gail Godwin

Something's your vocation if it keeps making more of you.

~Gail Godwin

Who wanted to creep along in comfort when there was one chance in a thousand of flying?

~Gail Godwin

Learning when 'enough is enough' is the discipline of a lifetime.

~Gail Godwin

How easy it was to make people happy, when you didn't want or need anything from them.

~Gail Godwin

Hope does not necessarily have to take an object.

~Gail Godwin

During the act of writing I have told myself something that I didn't know I knew.

~Gail Godwin

I believe that with enough practice and good faith, you can learn to recognize when the work is achieved.

~Gail Godwin

Actors between plays are like ghosts looking for bodies to inhabit.

~Gail Godwin

The race of children possesses magically sagacious powers.

~Gail Godwin

Much of the activity we think of as writing is, actually, getting ready to write.

~Gail Godwin

I read constantly. If I don't have a good book, I'm beside myself.

~Gail Godwin

What did a few ripples in the flesh matter when, all too soon, now or later, that flesh would be making its return journey to dust?

~Gail Godwin

Heroics are not easily had for the young in our times. Perhaps that is why they go to such extremes to create their own dangers.

~Gail Godwin

At times ... one is downright thankful for the self-absorption of other people.

~Gail Godwin

You're supposed to get tired planting bulbs. But it's an agreeable tiredness.

~Gail Godwin

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