

Gaylord Nelson Quotes

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The ultimate test of a man's conscience may be his willingness to sacrifice something today for future generations whose words of thanks will not be heard.

~Gaylord Nelson

The most important environmental issue is one that is rarely mentioned, and that is the lack of a conservation ethic in our culture.

~Gaylord Nelson

The fate of the living planet is the most important issue facing mankind.

~Gaylord Nelson

Loads of chemicals and hazardous wastes have been introduced into the atmosphere that didn't even exist in 1948. The environmental condition of the planet is far worse than it was 42 years ago.

~Gaylord Nelson

Our air, water, soil, forests, oceans, rivers, lakes, scenic beauty, wildlife habitat, minerals, that is the wealth of the country.

~Gaylord Nelson

There is a great need for the introduction of new values in our society, where bigger is not necessarily better, where slower can be faster, and where less can be more.

~Gaylord Nelson

Every person has the inalienable right to a decent environment.

~Gaylord Nelson

We must realize that we're all part of a web of life around the world. Anytime you extinguish a species, the consequences are serious.

~Gaylord Nelson

We're going to have to do a whole lot more, and give nature at least a

chance to repair some of the damage we've done.

~Gaylord Nelson

If we continue to address the issue of the environment where we live as though we're the only species that lives here, we'll create a disaster for ourselves

~Gaylord Nelson

Dr. S. Dillon Ripley, secretary of the Smithsonian Institute, believes that in 25 years, somewhere between 75 and 80 percent of all the species of living animals will be extinct.

~Gaylord Nelson

In the state of Wisconsin it's mandated that teachers in the social sciences and hard sciences have to start giving environmental education by the first grade, through high school

~Gaylord Nelson

The issues are by some geometric number - 100 or 200 or 500 - times more complicated today than we appreciated them to be when Franklin Roosevelt was around.

~Gaylord Nelson

I think the internal combustion engine will disappear from the streets of our cities in the next thirty years because transportation will be mass transportation, or probably electrical power.

~Gaylord Nelson

Trails are relatively inexpensive. A splendid national network of all kinds of trails can be established at less cost than a few hundred miles of super highway.

~Gaylord Nelson

Franklin Roosevelt was very concerned about environmental issues.

~Gaylord Nelson

Teddy Roosevelt of course was a great outdoorsman all his life.

~Gaylord Nelson

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