

Georgia Harkness Quotes

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Worship, Lying, Needs, Church, Praying, Revolutionary, Nature, Existence,
Beautiful, Truth, Defeat*

The tendency to turn human judgments into divine commands makes religion one of the most dangerous forces in the world.

~Georgia Harkness

Eternal life is personal existence in continuity with the present life, but transfigured.

~Georgia Harkness

the truth is seldom found in extremes. Central truths can be revolutionary if put to work.

~Georgia Harkness

One can be coerced to church, but not to worship.

~Georgia Harkness

The great danger is that in the confession of any collective sin, one shall confess the sins of others and forget our own.

~Georgia Harkness

... we all know how to pray better than we practice what we know!

~Georgia Harkness

Religion is the most widely debated and least agreed upon phenomenon of human history.

~Georgia Harkness

Prayer is the opening of the soul to God so that he can speak to us.

~Georgia Harkness

The perpetual danger which besets religion is that it may substitute gentility and aestheticism for prophetic insight and power.

~Georgia Harkness

To keep God at the center of one's life requires frequent renewal of

power through prayer.

~Georgia Harkness

Prayer is essentially a process by which ideals are enabled to become operative in our lives. It may be more than this, but it is at least this.

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the principal sources of human misery may fairly be said to lie in the over-possession, under-possession, and the unwise use of economic goods.

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Life is a continual alternation of rest and action, of the need of comfort and the need of power.

~Georgia Harkness

The sooner the doctrine of original sin disappears, the better it is for theology.

~Georgia Harkness

To pray well one must pray much.

~Georgia Harkness

churches, like all the rest of our major institutions, are rooted in capitalism. For a church to attack capitalism is to 'bite the hand that feeds it.

~Georgia Harkness

while religion is ethical, it by no means follows that ethics is religion.

~Georgia Harkness

love is always in danger of being sentimentalized.

~Georgia Harkness

the most common type of pessimism is neither philosophical nor religious: it is the pessimism of thwarted desire. ... It is the cynical sneer of the man who, seeking roses, finds only ashes.

~Georgia Harkness

Nature, left to itself, defeats nature.

~Georgia Harkness

The primary battle which religion must fight today is the battle to justify its own existence.

~Georgia Harkness

a sick society, unlike a sick individual, fares best under the ministrations of many doctors.

~Georgia Harkness

To discover, or recover, the sense of religious certainty one must worship.

~Georgia Harkness

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