

# Hakeem Olajuwon Quotes

*Basketball, Sports, People, Player, Fashion, Thinking, Soccer, Home, Giving,  
Motivational, Long, Jobs, Paradise, Differences, Blessing, Successful, Want,  
Simple, Blood, Interesting*

I remember at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, Shaq always wanted me to show him steps over and over.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

When you get to that level, it's not a matter of talent anymore - because all the players are so talented - it's about preparation, about playing smart and making good decisions.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

The most important thing in a person's life is his faith and how he translates his faith into practical deeds.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

Basketball is in my blood. It is my obligation to try.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I don't think Michael had to retire for us to get the spotlight, because when you win, it commands attention.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

It's not up to anyone else to make me give my best.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

God comes first. Paradise is not cheap.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I'm shy, but sometimes my voice is so clear and strong.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

My background playing soccer gave me a natural advantage over many of the American-born players.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I always keep a ball in the car. You never know.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I've now been in this country for thirteen years, since I was seventeen. So this is my second home.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I love fashion as much as I love basketball! It is a great joy for me to express myself through designing my own collection.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

In many ways, my job in soccer was like my job in basketball now. I had to protect the goal. That was the name of the game, not letting the other team score.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I was successful materially, but I know life is much more than worldly success. I saw all these blessings God had given me. The way to give thanks is obedience to God.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

Sports is good for health and for children, it gives them manhood, courage, teaches them team work and coordination. Sports is something that is so crucial, it makes everything.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

My life is very simple. I like simplicity and for my time to be my own, so that I have the freedom to devote the majority of it to Islam.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

The key to fashion is, you don't want to look like you're trying. You've gotta be natural.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

My type of basketball is about how to create space, how to maneuver,

how to get your shot off.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

Sports plays an interesting role in society. The greatest sportsmen have platforms to speak out on issues and really affect how the public thinks about some very critical issues facing the world.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

I'm the kind of person who always wants more.

~Hakeem Olajuwon

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