

# Hans Kung Quotes

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God's love does not protect us from suffering. God's love protects us in the midst of suffering.

~Hans Kung

All historical experience demonstrates the following: Our earth cannot be changed unless in the not too distant future an alteration in the consciousness of individuals is achieved.

~Hans Kung

There will be no peace among the nations without peace among the religions. There will be no peace among the religions without dialogue among the religions.

~Hans Kung

In the last resort, a love of God without love of humanity is no love at all.

~Hans Kung

Time and again we see leaders and members of religions incite aggression, fanaticism, hate, and xenophobia - even inspire and legitimate violent and bloody conflicts.

~Hans Kung

Alluding to hell is a warning that a person can completely neglect his purpose in life. I don't believe in an eternal hell.

~Hans Kung

There will be peace on earth when there is peace among the world religions.

~Hans Kung

And a third thing is the understanding of the Church as a community, a communion which is just a hierarchy but the people of God, whose servants are the priests and bishops.

~Hans Kung

After two world wars, the collapse of fascism, nazism, communism and colonialism and the end of the cold war, humanity has entered a new phase of its history.

~Hans Kung

It is not certain that everything is certain, neither is it certain that everything is uncertain.

~Hans Kung

We are conscious that religions cannot solve the economic, political and social problems of this earth.

~Hans Kung

As a matter of fact, you have deficiencies in all religions, but you have truth in all religions.

~Hans Kung

A human person is infinitely precious and must be unconditionally protected.

~Hans Kung

Humanity today possesses sufficient economic, cultural and spiritual resources to introduce a better global order.

~Hans Kung

If priests were allowed to marry, if this would be an optional thing, and if he could have wife and children, he would certainly have less temptation to satisfy certain sexual impulses with minors.

~Hans Kung

Religion often is misused for purely power-political goals, including war.

~Hans Kung

We should think about whether canonizations, which are an invention of the Middle Ages, still make sense today.

~Hans Kung

Hundreds of millions of human beings on our planet increasingly suffer from unemployment, poverty, hunger, and the destruction of their families.

~Hans Kung

The Epistle to the Romans is an extremely important synthesis of the whole theology of St. Paul.

~Hans Kung

But I have to add - and this answers your other question - this catholicity in time and in space is only meaningful for me if there is, at the same time, a concentration on the Gospel.

~Hans Kung

A Church which abandons the truth abandons itself.

~Hans Kung

That is the Roman way: to give favors to the favorites.

~Hans Kung

However, if the religions in essence merely repeat statements from the United Nations Human Rights Declaration, such a Declaration becomes superfluous; an ethic is more than rights.

~Hans Kung

For many people, the pope is still, to a certain extent, a positive role model and a moral force, although others feel that this aspect has suffered greatly.

~Hans Kung

I like the catholicity in time: our tradition is one of 2,000 years.

~Hans Kung

The Gospel has to be the norm.

~Hans Kung

Everyone agrees the celibacy rule is just a Church law dating from the 11th century, not a divine command.

~Hans Kung

I don't cling to earthly life because I believe in eternal life. That's the big distinction between my point of view and a purely secular position.

~Hans Kung

I'm not saying goodbye to life because I'm a misanthropist or disdain this life, but because, for other reasons, it's time to move on.

~Hans Kung

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