

# Ibn Warraq Quotes

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All religions are sick men's dreams, false - demonstrably false - and pernicious.

~Ibn Warraq

Of course slavery and the Muslims were deeply implicated in the slave trade, Islam was an Imperialist religion which destroyed Christianity in the Near East, yet nobody mentions those facts.

~Ibn Warraq

We cannot hope to win the ideological battle against Islam without criticism of Islam, it is essential that we continue to criticize Islam.

~Ibn Warraq

The West has given the world the symphony, and the novel.

~Ibn Warraq

While many Islamic countries pay lip service to the idea of freedom of religion, they don't put up with conversion from Islam to another religion.

~Ibn Warraq

Monotheism is in its turn doomed to subtract one more God and become atheism

~Ibn Warraq

In Saudi Arabia, among other countries, Muslims are not free to convert to Christianity, and Christians are not free to practice their faith. The Koran is not a rights-respecting document.

~Ibn Warraq

Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness: this triptych succinctly defines the attractiveness and superiority of Western civilization.

~Ibn Warraq

The West has given us the liberal miracle of individual rights, individual responsibility, merit, and human satisfaction.

~Ibn Warraq

I wish more people would belabor the obvious, and more often.

~Ibn Warraq

Each time you admire the facade of the New York Public Library, you are paying homage to Western civilization.

~Ibn Warraq

You can't grow up without taking a few knocks on the way. All parents know that, but children when they're growing up, they take some knocks, and nasty knocks sometimes if they've been too protected.

~Ibn Warraq

I think forgiveness plays a very important part in Western society and it comes from the Judeo Christian heritage.

~Ibn Warraq

Not only is the West so successful economically, but it leads the world scientifically, and culturally.

~Ibn Warraq

The rich countries are rich because of their practices at home, and because of their readiness to adopt and adapt new things, such as Chinese inventions or New World crops.

~Ibn Warraq

I maintain that Western popular culture at its best is worthy of respect and should be cherished as much as the operas of Wagner.

~Ibn Warraq

Discussions of Western civilization are too often confined to works of

high art that reflect a relatively narrow element of public taste and experience.

~Ibn Warraq

By working and living in New York, you are breathing Western civilization, continuously reminded of its benefits and its values.

~Ibn Warraq

The idea that the West was economically successful because of slavery, it's just nonsense.

~Ibn Warraq

Slavery had very little to do with the economic success of the West. Just look at the facts and figures and how much slavery actually contributed to development.

~Ibn Warraq

Being from a minority culture, I realised the importance of looking at non-Western cultures in a positive way.

~Ibn Warraq

Abolitionism did not find positive response in Africa as it did in Western societies and cultures.

~Ibn Warraq

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