

J. G. Holland Quotes

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The most precious possession that ever comes to a man in this world is a woman's heart.

~J. G. Holland

God gives every bird its food, but He does not throw it into its nest.

~J. G. Holland

God be thanked that there are some in the world to whose hearts the barnacles will not cling.

~J. G. Holland

A fit of anger is as fatal to dignity as a dose of arsenic is to life.

~J. G. Holland

Joys divided are increased.

~J. G. Holland

A woman in love is a very poor judge of character.

~J. G. Holland

Calmness is the cradle of power.

~J. G. Holland

The soul, like the body, lives by what it feeds on.

~J. G. Holland

Character lives in a man, reputation outside of him.

~J. G. Holland

A young man rarely gets a better vision of himself than that which is reflected from a true woman's eyes; for God himself sits behind them.

~J. G. Holland

The secret of being loved is in being lovely; and the secret of being

lovely is in being unselfish.

~J. G. Holland

God give us men. The time demands strong minds, great hearts, true faith and willing hands.

~J. G. Holland

The temple of art is built in words.

~J. G. Holland

Blessed is that man who knows his own distaff and has found his own spindle.

~J. G. Holland

Responsibility walks hand in hand with capacity and power.

~J. G. Holland

Music was a thing of the soul â€” a rose-lipped shell that murmured of the eternal sea â€” a strange bird singing the songs of another shore.

~J. G. Holland

Life was intended to be so adjusted that the body should be the servant of the soul, and always subordinate to the soul.

~J. G. Holland

Artists are nearest God. Into their souls he breathes his life, and from their hands it comes in fair, articulate forms to bless the world.

~J. G. Holland

There is no royal road to anything. One thing at a time, all things in succession. That which grows fast, withers as rapidly. That which grows slowly, endures.

~J. G. Holland

The person who does not know how to live while they are making a living is a poorer person after their wealth is won than when they started.

~J. G. Holland

The gentleman is solid mahogany; the fashionable man is only veneer.

~J. G. Holland

The secret of man's success resides in his insight into the moods of people, and his tact in dealing with them.

~J. G. Holland

Geology gives us a key to the patience of God.

~J. G. Holland

Doubtless the world is wicked enough; but it will not be improved by the extension of a spirit which self-righteously sees more to reform outside of itself than in itself.

~J. G. Holland

A fortune won in a day is lost in a day; a fortune won slowly, and slowly compacted, seems to acquire from the hand that won it the property of endurance.

~J. G. Holland

Labor is the instituted means for the methodical development of all our powers under the direction and control of the will.

~J. G. Holland

There is no great achievement that is not the result of patient working and waiting.

~J. G. Holland

Idleness is the sepulchre of a living man.

~J. G. Holland

The choicest thing this world has for a man is affection.

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Humanity is constitutionally lazy.

~J. G. Holland

Nothing so obstinately stands in the way of all sorts of progress as pride of opinion. While nothing is so foolish and baseless.

~J. G. Holland

Scholarship, save by accident, is never the measure of a man's power.

~J. G. Holland

The fact is that sin is the most unmanly thing in God's world. You never were made for sin and selfishness. You were made for love and obedience.

~J. G. Holland

Work and wait, work and wait is what God says to us in creation.

~J. G. Holland

All things unrevealed belong to the kingdom of mystery.

~J. G. Holland

It is better to be a self-made man,--filled up according to God's original pattern,--than to be half a man, made after some other man's pattern.

~J. G. Holland

Wants keep pace with wealth always.

~J. G. Holland

Almost everywhere men have become the particular things which their particular work has made them.

~J. G. Holland

I look into your great brown eyes, where love and loyal homage shine, and wonder where the difference lies between your soul and mine!.

~J. G. Holland

I have learned that to do one's next duty is to take a step toward all that is worth possessing.

~J. G. Holland

A noble deed is a step towards heaven.

~J. G. Holland

A man who feels that his religion is a slavery has not begun to comprehend the real nature of religion.

~J. G. Holland

The theological systems of men and schools of men are determined always by the character of their ideal of Christ, the central fact of the Christian system.

~J. G. Holland

Who never walks save where he sees men's tracks makes no discoveries.

~J. G. Holland

Of all the scamps society knows, the traditional good fellow is the most despicable.

~J. G. Holland

A man in whom religion is an inspiration, who has surrendered his being to its power, who drinks it, breathes it, bathes in it, cannot speak otherwise than religiously.

~J. G. Holland

Why will you be always sallying out to break lances with other people's wind-mills, when your own is not capable of grinding corn for the horse you ride?

~J. G. Holland

The temple of art is built of words. Painting and sculpture and music are but the blazon of its windows, borrowing all their significance from the light, and suggestive only of the temple's uses.

~J. G. Holland

The faculties of our souls differ as widely as the features of our faces and the forms of our frames.

~J. G. Holland

Preceptive wisdom that has not been vivified by life has in itself no affinity for life.

~J. G. Holland

Everything good in a man thrives best when properly recognized.

~J. G. Holland

A mind grows by what it feeds on.

~J. G. Holland

Ideals are the world's masters.

~J. G. Holland

Nature is the master of talents; genius is the master of nature.

~J. G. Holland

The idle man stands outside of God's plan, outside of the ordained scheme of things; and the truest self-respect, the noblest independence, and the most genuine dignity, are not to be found there.

~J. G. Holland

There is really nothing left to a genuine idle man, who possesses any considerable degree of vital power, but sin.

~J. G. Holland

A man does not necessarily sin who does that which our reason and our conscience condemn.

~J. G. Holland

The love that gushes for all is the real elixir of life - the fountain of bodily longevity. It is the lack of this that always produces the feeling of age.

~J. G. Holland

Gossip is always a personal confession either of malice or imbecility.

~J. G. Holland

Perfect love holds the secret of the world's perfect liberty.

~J. G. Holland

I count this thing to be grandly true: That a noble deed is a step toward God-- Lifting the soul from the common clod To a purer air and a broader view.

~J. G. Holland

It is the life in literature that acts upon life.

~J. G. Holland

It is only rogues who feel the restraints of law.

~J. G. Holland

It is by work that man carves his way to that measure of power which will fit him for his destiny.

~J. G. Holland

Man's record upon this wild world is the record of work, and of work alone.

~J. G. Holland

We work and that is godlike.

~J. G. Holland

There are no twin souls in God's universe.

~J. G. Holland

There are crowds who trample a flower into the dust without thinking once that they have one of the sweetest thoughts of God under their heel.

~J. G. Holland

There is no well-doing, no Godlike doing, that is not patient doing.

~J. G. Holland

It is not a question how much a man knows, but what use he can make of what he knows.

~J. G. Holland

Play may not have so high a place in the divine economy, but it has as legitimate a place as prayer.

~J. G. Holland

Play is a sacred thing, a divine ordinance, for developing in the child a harmonious and healthy organism, and preparing that organism for the commencement of the work of life.

~J. G. Holland

God pity the man of science who believes in nothing but what he can prove by scientific methods; for if ever a human being needed divine pity, he does.

~J. G. Holland

We live in the future. Even the happiness of the present is made up mostly of that delightful discontent which the hope of better things inspires.

~J. G. Holland

if have got my spindle and my distaff ready--my pen and mind--never doubting for an instant that God will send me flax.

~J. G. Holland

Childhood may do without a grand purpose, but manhood cannot.

~J. G. Holland

Every man who strikes blows for power, for influence, for institutions, for the right, must be just as good an anvil as he is a hammer.

~J. G. Holland

Cost is the father and compensation the mother of progress.

~J. G. Holland

Life is before you,- not earthly life alone, but life- a thread running interminably through the warp of eternity.

~J. G. Holland

No nation can be destroyed while it possesses a good home life.

~J. G. Holland

Life always take on the character of its motive.

~J. G. Holland

No genuine observer can decide otherwise than that the homes of a nation are the bulwarks of personal and national safety and thrift.

~J. G. Holland

A man who in the struggles of life has no home to retire to, in fact or in memory, is without life's best rewards and life's best defences.

~J. G. Holland

Fashion is aristocratic-autocratic.

~J. G. Holland

Many men and women spend their lives in unsuccessful attempts to spin the flax God sends them upon a wheel they can never use.

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The hammer and the anvil are the two hemispheres of every true reformer's character.

~J. G. Holland

The faculty of self-help is that which distinguished man from animals; that it is the Godlike element, or holds within itself the Godlike element, of his constitution.

~J. G. Holland

Wealth is the least trustworthy of anchors.

~J. G. Holland

There is no truth which personal vice will not distort.

~J. G. Holland

Heaven is not reached at a single bound. But we build the ladder by which we rise. From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies, And we mount to its summit round by round.

~J. G. Holland

Laws are the very bulkwarks of liberty; they define every man's rights, and defend the individual liberties of all men.

~J. G. Holland

Every man who can be a first-rate something -- as every man can be who is a man at all -- has no right to be a fifth-rate something; for a fifth-rate something is not better than a first-rate nothing.

~J. G. Holland

Patience, persistence, and power to do are only acquired by work.

~J. G. Holland

If you want learning, you must work for it.

~J. G. Holland

There is no point where art so nearly touches nature as when it appears in the form of words.

~J. G. Holland

Ah! soul of mine! Ah! soul of mine! Thy sluggish senses are but bars
That stand between thee and the stars, And shut thee from the world
divine.

~J. G. Holland

The moment we recognize God as supreme in power and infinitely good and loving toward all His intelligent creatures, that moment we admit the doctrine of universal and special providence.

~J. G. Holland

I softly sink into the bath of sleep: With eyelids shut, I see around me
close The mottled, violet vapors of the deep, That wraps me in repose.

~J. G. Holland

Communion is the law of growth, and homes only thrive when they

sustain relations with each other.

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