

# Jack Layton Quotes

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Cherish every moment with those you love at every stage of your journey.

~Jack Layton

My friends, love is better than anger. Hope is better than fear. Optimism is better than despair. So let us be loving, hopeful and optimistic. And we'll change the world.

~Jack Layton

The responsibility of a minister is to step aside when there is a criminal investigation of the department. That protects the propriety of Parliament and of responsible government.

~Jack Layton

Remember our proud history of social justice, universal health care, public pensions and making sure no one is left behind. Let's continue to move forward.

~Jack Layton

I don't know why we'd need so many more prisons when the crooks seem so happy in the Senate.

~Jack Layton

Canada is a great country, one of the hopes of the world.

~Jack Layton

Always have a dream that will outlast your lifetime.

~Jack Layton

Hope and optimism have defined my political career, and I continue to be hopeful and optimistic about Canada. Young people have been a great source of inspiration for me.

~Jack Layton

Politics matters. Ideas matter. Democracy matters, because all of us need to be able to make a difference.

~Jack Layton

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We want to challenge the established ideas with new ideas.

~Jack Layton

Well, I say it's time to take Stephen Harper to the woodshed!

~Jack Layton

Are we allowed to sing? I imagine that at times, it might improve the tone of the debate.

~Jack Layton

I believe how I live my life every day is my act of worship.

~Jack Layton

I think Paul Martin doesn't mean what he says. He said he would clear this sort of thing up and he didn't do it.

~Jack Layton

If it's a flash it's been an awfully long flash. I've been around for 20 years in one of the largest media and political markets in the country, so I'd call it more of a slow burn.

~Jack Layton

Some people think the NDP may want to get rid of the monarchy but I can assure you that that's absolutely not the case. My Dad was a big time monarchist and so am I.

~Jack Layton

Ideas are always more important than money.

~Jack Layton

Canadians can get Parliament working again. Here's how to do that: elect more New Democrats.

~Jack Layton

You can wait forever for perfect conditions or you can make do with what you have.

~Jack Layton

Don't let them tell you it can't be done.

~Jack Layton

If I've tried to bring anything to federal politics, it's the idea that hope and optimism should be at their heart.

~Jack Layton

When you're sick, you present your medicare card, not your credit card.

~Jack Layton

I want to share with you my belief in your power to change this country and this world.

~Jack Layton

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