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I live in a village where people still care about each other, largely.

~Jan Karon

One of the things that makes a dead leaf fall to the ground is the bud of the new leaf that pushes it off the limb.

~Jan Karon

Easter is never deserved.

~Jan Karon

Phillipians 4:13 for Pete's sake!

~Jan Karon

Love is an endless act of forgiveness.

~Jan Karon

There may be circumstances in this life that God uses to keep bringing us back to Him, looking for His grace.

~Jan Karon

So many people don't know that God loves them. They feel, 'Why would God love me? Why would He be interested in me?

~Jan Karon

In World War One, they called it shell shock. Second time around, they called it battle fatigue. After 'Nam, it was post-traumatic stress disorder.

~Jan Karon

...weary of k knowing too much and understanding too little.

~Jan Karon

The firefly only shines when on the wing, So it is with us--when we stop, we darken.

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~Jan Karon

Loving can be hard. Sometimes we don't feel loving, but it isn't all about feeling. Very often it is about will. Practice that if you can.

~Jan Karon

My first novel is loaded with food references largely because my cupboards were bare, and I was writing hungry.

~Jan Karon

I made real sacrifices and took big risks. But living, it seems to me, is largely about risk.

~Jan Karon

Lord, make me a blessing to someone today

~Jan Karon

Bottom line, wasn't life itself a special occasion?

~Jan Karon

Writing is a way of processing our lives. And it can be a way of healing.

I grew up hearing words like snakeroot, sassafras, mullein - things that had wondrous, mysterious sounds in their names.

~Jan Karon

I have raced against the clock since I went into advertising at the age of eighteen.

~Jan Karon

Publishing is, by its nature, about deadlines, and deadlines are toxic.

~Jan Karon

Food is a great way of communicating.

~Jan Karon

I try to put my heart out there to everybody. They don't have to be Christian. For example, I have lots of Jewish readers. I love my Jewish readers.

~Jan Karon

In Ireland there's no such thing as bad weather ~~~ only the wrong clothes. (In the Company of Others)

~Jan Karon

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When we turn from our sin, and have the blessed forgiveness of the Almighty, then we can ask Him to run things, and let Him be in charge.

Let me say that I absolutely loved writing 'A Common Life,' because it was a book about love.

~Jan Karon

I really care about my readers. I care about anyone who reads my books.

~Jan Karon

I've put everything I had and I've given my readers 120 percent, and that's the truth.

~Jan Karon

I remember the first time I held my book, my first book in my hands. I cannot tell you how it moved me.

~Jan Karon

I believe that's when God first started speaking to my heart--the very day I started speaking to His!

~Jan Karon

Let's just say that I was raised by my grandparents.

~Jan Karon

Cynics will say there are no good people out there. And if you read the papers and watch TV news you could be convinced of that. But there are good people.

~Jan Karon

The dark book has been terribly popular. Dark characters, dysfunction, and all sorts of things from reality that are true in our world.

~Jan Karon

And it can be a way of healing.

~Jan Karon

My grandmother influenced me so deeply.

~Jan Karon

Even the roughest character, underneath all that hurt, is someone who wants to love and be loved.

~Jan Karon

Don't fear whatever God lays before you today.

~Jan Karon

So here is what my advice would be: If God has given you a dream, you'd better get cracking because He wants you to use it. That's why He gives them to us in the first place.

~Jan Karon

I have confidence that God is with us in all things, both tender and tough

~Jan Karon

Give me faith, Lord, to know Your Presence as surely as I know the beating of my own heart. I've felt so far from You.

~Jan Karon

Sometimes you have to gag on fancy before you can appreciate plain.

~Jan Karon

There are so many people who don't know small towns exist. When I write, I want to give my readers two things: one is a sense of consolation, and two, I want to make them laugh.

~Jan Karon

The significant, life-forming times are the dull, in-between times.

~Jan Karon

There's nothing trite about being consoled in a world that does everything in its power to deliver sorrow.

~Jan Karon

I'd like you to know that I have forgiven him. Again and again. Once done, course, back comes the Enemy to persecute and persecute, and I must ante up to God and forgive yet again.

~Jan Karon

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