

# Jeremy Piven

## Quotes

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I'm not a boy now. I'm a man, I hope. I hope I've had my artistic bar mitzvah somewhere.

~Jeremy Piven

Mercury poisoning sounds like a rich man's disease . . . like something you might get from the leather seats in your Lamborghini.

~Jeremy Piven

If someone mistakes your kindness for weakness, that's their fault - not yours. And it's OK to be a decent human being in this life.

~Jeremy Piven

If masturbation is a crime then I should be on death row.

~Jeremy Piven

Sometimes - this is a tough one - not everyone can handle the truth. Sometimes you have to take a beat. But if you can take that beat, and take the high road, it'll serve you in the long run.

~Jeremy Piven

The Dalai Lama was once asked for his favorite chant, and he said it was better not to have a favorite anything, which I think is a great thought.

~Jeremy Piven

Unless an entire row of people got up in the middle of a performance and left the theater in disgust, I felt as though I hadn't done my job.

~Jeremy Piven

We all have so many different elements inside of us and we're not all one thing.

~Jeremy Piven

I want to be radical on the inside, but not on the outside.

~Jeremy Piven

When you do a television show in the States, you get the pilot, and then it's the great unknown. That's the way it is. It's this great leap of faith. It's the Russian roulette of art.

~Jeremy Piven

What's this? You're wearing the shirt of the band you're going to see? Don't be that guy.

~Jeremy Piven

You know the Greeks didn't write obituaries. They only asked one question after a man died: "Did he have passion?"

~Jeremy Piven

You're trying to figure out a way to go back in time and spend more time with your father. Who wouldn't want to do that?

~Jeremy Piven

My goal, everyone's goal is to get better at what we do.

~Jeremy Piven

When you try to worry about missteps and all that kind of stuff, that's not the healthiest way to be.

~Jeremy Piven

Everyone's journey is completely different.

~Jeremy Piven

I think people are gravitating towards these period dramas because I think they're looking for a simpler time.

~Jeremy Piven

Quitting the show was a complete anomaly in my life and my career.

I've never missed out on anything. I relished the opportunity to be on Broadway... It's the holy grail for people like me.

~Jeremy Piven

I grew up on the stage, where you just throw yourself into projects and don't get in your own way.

~Jeremy Piven

I like to box. It's a great release.

~Jeremy Piven

The reality is that I'm an actor from the Midwest and I was 40 movies into it before I started 'Entourage'.

~Jeremy Piven

John Cusack and I have been friends since childhood, and the fact that we're in so many films together is, no pun intended, serendipitous.

~Jeremy Piven

I'm not a video game guy. I would rather throw around a football.

~Jeremy Piven

I never made more than \$50 doing any play in Chicago. That was the way I grew up.

~Jeremy Piven

The stage is my love, it's where I started and where I do my best work.

~Jeremy Piven

One of the great things that you should never do that I learned from John Malkovich is to never judge your characters.

~Jeremy Piven

I feel, as a person, very uninteresting.

~Jeremy Piven

It's your job as an actor to fill out the blanks. I love doing that. To fill in the bones.

~Jeremy Piven

Yet the reality is that I'm a stage actor from the Midwest - probably the opposite of a shark agent.

~Jeremy Piven

You can't make people who you want them to be. That was a hard lesson for me.

~Jeremy Piven

For so much of my career I've been trying to find little things and make something out of it.

~Jeremy Piven

I wrote a script and I've been whispering in director's ears for a really long time and I'd love to direct.

~Jeremy Piven

I have been drumming my whole life.

~Jeremy Piven

I've been on the stage my entire life as an actor.

~Jeremy Piven

I had never really been around cards.

~Jeremy Piven

Sometimes in life, we have to continue to learn the same lesson until it sticks.

~Jeremy Piven

I'm one of these people who would rather show you than tell you through the performance.

~Jeremy Piven

HBO does something that most networks don't do which is give a show a chance to find their voice.

~Jeremy Piven

I don't know if there's a lot of patience anymore. I think that could serve a lot of people.

~Jeremy Piven

I grew up watching PBS and wanting to be a part of it, just like HBO.

~Jeremy Piven

For the record, if you're not a stage actor, climbing onto Broadway and tackling something like David Mamet is not an easy thing to do.

~Jeremy Piven

Robert Rodriguez is a genius, and I'm a huge fan of his.

~Jeremy Piven

There are so many great directors that I haven't worked with and that I would love to work with.

~Jeremy Piven

When you play a character with power and energy, people lock into that and go, "Oh, this must be the guy."

~Jeremy Piven

I come from a theater family and a theater background, and I come from a philosophy that you respect the space you occupy when you work and you put everything that you have into something.

~Jeremy Piven

I do yoga. I've been doing yoga for over 20 years and I love it.

~Jeremy Piven

I'm a stage actor. That is what I do.

~Jeremy Piven

I'm just a stage actor from Chicago.

~Jeremy Piven

All I've done is work... I arrived in Los Angeles in my early 20s and I've been pounding the pavement ever since.

~Jeremy Piven

One of the great things going on right now is social media and you get a real sense, immediately, about what people are feeling and thinking.

~Jeremy Piven

We all deal with issues of time. The first thing you do in the morning is look at the clock to see what time it is.

~Jeremy Piven

As an actor you want to explore something you haven't done.

~Jeremy Piven

When I was growing up, I was always on stage but I loved other things.

~Jeremy Piven

I grew up in the theatre.

~Jeremy Piven

I'm acting with the best actors in the world.

~Jeremy Piven

I've been a fan of hip-hop for a really long time, and I still am.

~Jeremy Piven

It sounds clichéd, but I think the greatest lesson is to not take things personally.

~Jeremy Piven



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