

# Jerry Bridges Quotes

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Attitude, Giving, Sin, Thinking, Christ, Adversity, Believe, Doe, Godly, Purpose,  
Pain*

Our worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God's grace.

~Jerry Bridges

Don't believe everything you think. You cannot be trusted to tell yourself the truth. Stay in The Word.

~Jerry Bridges

Three means by which God assures us that we do have eternal life: 1. The promises of His Word, 2. The witness of the Spirit in our hearts, 3. The transforming work of the Spirit in our lives.

~Jerry Bridges

The gospel is not only the most important message in all of history; it is the only essential message in all of history.

~Jerry Bridges

Gentleness is an active trait, describing the manner in which we should treat others. Meekness is a passive trait, describing the proper Christian response when others mistreat us.

~Jerry Bridges

Lord, I am willing To receive what You give. To lack what You withhold. To relinquish what You take, To suffer what You inflict, To be what you require.

~Jerry Bridges

God intends that everyone who has embraced the gospel become a part of the great enterprise of spreading the gospel.

~Jerry Bridges

Bitterness arises in our hearts when we do not trust in the sovereign rule of God in our lives

~Jerry Bridges

... self-control is not control by oneself through one's own willpower but rather control of oneself through the power of the Holy Spirit.

~Jerry Bridges

Because God is sovereign, He is able to answer. Because He is faithful to His promises, He will answer.

~Jerry Bridges

If there is not at least a yearning in our hearts to live a holy life pleasing to God, we need to seriously question whether our faith in Christ is genuine.

~Jerry Bridges

The person who fears God seeks to live all of life to the glory of God... All the activities of life should be pursued with the aim of glorifying God.

~Jerry Bridges

We all want Grace, but we cannot enjoy Grace when there is an attitude of comparing.

~Jerry Bridges

Our very worst days are never beyond the reach of God's grace.

~Jerry Bridges

Giving thanks to God for both His temporal and spiritual blessings in our lives is not just a nice thing to do - it is the moral will of God. Failure to give Him the thanks due Him is sin.

~Jerry Bridges

As we become soft and lazy in our bodies, we tend to become soft and lazy spiritually.

~Jerry Bridges

God in His love always wills what is best for us. In His wisdom He always knows what is best, and in His sovereignty He has the power to bring it about.

~Jerry Bridges

Sin is wrong, not because of what it does to me, or my spouse, or child, or neighbor, but because it is an act of rebellion against the infinitely holy and majestic God.

~Jerry Bridges

We must allow the Bible to say what it says, not what we think it ought to say.

~Jerry Bridges

God's plan and His ways of working out His plan are frequently beyond our ability to fathom and understand. We must learn to trust when we don't understand.

~Jerry Bridges

God's sovereignty does not negate our responsibility to pray, but rather makes it possible for us to pray with confidence.

~Jerry Bridges

Love provides the motive for obeying the commands of the law, but the law provides specific direction for exercising love.

~Jerry Bridges

We must not allow our emotions to hold sway over our minds. Rather, we must seek to let the truth of God rule our minds. Our emotions must become subservient to the truth.

~Jerry Bridges

Preach the gospel to yourself every day.

~Jerry Bridges

To live by grace is to live solely by the merit of Jesus Christ. To live by grace is to base my entire relationship with God, including my acceptance and standing with Him, on my union with Christ.

~Jerry Bridges

Grace... expresses two complementary thoughts: God's unmerited favor to us through Christ, and God's divine assistance to us through the Holy Spirit.

~Jerry Bridges

Every day of our Christian experience should be a day of relating to God on the basis of His grace alone. We are not only saved by grace, but we also live by grace every day.

~Jerry Bridges

Grace is the love of God shown to the unlovely. It is God reaching downward to people who are in rebellion against him.

~Jerry Bridges

Only when we're thoroughly convinced that the Christian life is entirely of grace are we able to serve God out of a grateful and loving heart.

~Jerry Bridges

The purpose of God's discipline is not to punish us but to transform us.

~Jerry Bridges

In both its precepts and penalty, the law of God in its most exacting requirements was fulfilled by Jesus. And He did this in our place as our representative and our substitute.

~Jerry Bridges

Contentment is one of the most distinguishing traits of the godly person, because a godly person has his heart focused on God rather than on possessions or position or power.

~Jerry Bridges

How then can we deal with our tendency toward worldliness? It is not by determining that we will not be worldly, but by committing ourselves to becoming more godly.

~Jerry Bridges

Jesus did not die just to give us peace and a purpose in life; he died to save us from the wrath of God.

~Jerry Bridges

The cure for the sin of envy and jealousy is to find our contentment in God

~Jerry Bridges

Worship is the specific act of ascribing to God the glory, majesty, honor, and worthiness which are His.

~Jerry Bridges

God will never allow any action against you that is not in accord with His will for you. And His will is always directed to our good.

~Jerry Bridges

As we search the Scriptures, we must allow them to search us, to sit in judgment upon our character and conduct.

~Jerry Bridges

We don't have to start all over again and try to keep the slate clean. There is no more slate.

~Jerry Bridges

God never allows pain without a purpose.

~Jerry Bridges

We obey God's Law, not to be loved but because we are loved in Christ.

~Jerry Bridges

We're more concerned about our own "victory" over sin than we are about the fact that our sins grieve God's heart.

~Jerry Bridges

Sometimes the end God has in mind is to exercise our faith, so He brings us into straitened circumstances so that we might look up to Him and see His deliverance.

~Jerry Bridges

Instead of living in the sunshine of God's forgiveness through Christ, we tend to live under an overcast sky of guilt most of the time.

~Jerry Bridges

No detail of your life is too insignificant for your heavenly Father's attention.

~Jerry Bridges

The great antidote to anxiety is to come to God in prayer. We are to pray about everything. Nothing is too big for Him to handle, and nothing is too small to escape His attention.

~Jerry Bridges

We need to call sin what the Bible calls it and not soften it with modern expressions borrowed from our culture.

~Jerry Bridges

Practice of true community involves responsibilities and actions that do

not come naturally to us.

~Jerry Bridges

Faith enables us to obey when obedience is costly or seems unreasonable to the natural mind.

~Jerry Bridges

Every day that we're not practicing godliness we're being conformed to the world of ungodliness around us.

~Jerry Bridges

As we grow in holiness, we grow in hatred of sin; and God, being infinitely holy, has an infinite hatred of sin.

~Jerry Bridges

God's love to us cannot fail any more than His love to Christ can fail.

~Jerry Bridges

We ought to be as earnest and frequent in our prayers of thanksgiving when the cupboard is full as we would be in our prayers of supplication if the cupboards were bare.

~Jerry Bridges

Patience is the ability to suffer a long time under the mistreatment of others without growing resentful or bitter.

~Jerry Bridges

Prayer is the most tangible expression of trust in God.

~Jerry Bridges

Faith in Christ and a reliance on ourselves, even to the smallest degree, are mutually exclusive.

~Jerry Bridges



Our duty is found in the revealed will of God in the Scriptures. Our trust must be in the sovereign will of God as He works in the ordinary circumstances of our daily lives for our good and His glory.

~Jerry Bridges

When God saves us through Christ, He not only saves us from the penalty of sin, but also from its dominion.

~Jerry Bridges

The pursuit of holiness must be anchored in the grace of God; otherwise it is doomed to failure

~Jerry Bridges

Holiness is nothing less than conformity to the character of God

~Jerry Bridges

Uncontrolled temper is soon dissipated on others. Resentment, bitterness, and self-pity build up inside our hearts and eat away at our spiritual lives like a slowly spreading cancer.

~Jerry Bridges

The grace that brought salvation to you is the same grace that teaches or disciplines you. But you must respond on the basis of grace, not law.

~Jerry Bridges

Biblical love is not emotions or feelings, but attitudes and actions that seek the best interests of the other person, regardless of how we feel toward him.

~Jerry Bridges

The very first temptation in the history of mankind was the temptation to be discontent...that is exactly what discontent(ment ) is - a questioning of the goodness of God.

~Jerry Bridges

The level of our obedience is most often determined by the behavior standard of other Christians around us.

~Jerry Bridges

A willingness to share our possessions with one another is a very important aspect of true biblical community.

~Jerry Bridges

God is worthy of my loving obedience because of who He is, not because of what he does.

~Jerry Bridges

God makes provision for our holiness, but He gives us the responsibility of using those provisions.

~Jerry Bridges

Obedying the revealed will of God and trusting Him for the results.

~Jerry Bridges

True joy comes only from God and He shares this joy with those who walk in fellowship with Him.

~Jerry Bridges

Holiness is not a series of do's and don'ts but conformity to the character of God and obedience to the will of God.

~Jerry Bridges

Godly character flows out of devotion to God and practically confirms the reality of that devotion.

~Jerry Bridges

We insist that God must surely lead everyone as we believe He has led

us. We refuse to allow God the freedom to deal with each of us as individuals. When we think like that, we are legalistic.

~Jerry Bridges

We must pray constantly for His enabling grace to say no to temptation, of choosing to take all practical steps to avoid known areas of temptation and flee from those that surprise us.

~Jerry Bridges

Justified" is even better than "just as if I'd never sinned." It is also "just as if I'd always obeyed.

~Jerry Bridges

It is not the fact that we are united in common goals or purposes that makes us a community. Rather, it is the fact that we share a common life in Christ.

~Jerry Bridges

Christ exhausted the cup of God's wrath. For all who trust in Him there is nothing more in the cup. It is empty.

~Jerry Bridges

Obedience is the pathway to holiness.

~Jerry Bridges

Which of us, then, does not offend frequently with our tongue? The real problem, however, is not our tongues but our hearts.

~Jerry Bridges

It is our response to our circumstances rather than the degree of difficulty that determines whether or not we are discontent

~Jerry Bridges

Every day is important for us because it is a day ordained by God.

~Jerry Bridges

Trusting God is not a matter of my feelings but of my will.

~Jerry Bridges

We might say God's wrath is His justice in action, rendering to everyone his just due, which, because of our sin is always judgment.

~Jerry Bridges

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~Jerry Bridges

God does not delight in our sufferings. He brings only that which is necessary, but He does not shrink from that which will help us grow.

~Jerry Bridges

The Holy Spirit makes us aware of our lack of holiness to stimulate us to deeper yearning and striving for holiness. But Satan will attempt to use the Holy Spirit's work to discourage us.

~Jerry Bridges

If we are going to learn to trust God in adversity, we must believe God will allow nothing to subvert His glory so He will allow nothing to spoil the good He is working out in us and for us.

~Jerry Bridges

There is no point in praying for victory over temptation if we are not willing to make a commitment to say no to it.

~Jerry Bridges

Only those who walk in holiness experience true joy.

~Jerry Bridges

May we be as severe with ourselves over our own subtle sins as we are

with the vile sins we condemn in others

~Jerry Bridges

Biblical community is first of all the sharing of a common life in Christ.

~Jerry Bridges

A son or daughter in any human family is either born to or adopted by the parents. By definition, a child can't be both. But with God we're both born of Him and adopted by Him.

~Jerry Bridges

Worship from the heart in times of adversity implies an attitude of humble acceptance on our part of God's right to do as He pleases in our lives.

~Jerry Bridges

Even our tears of repentance need to be washed in the blood of the Lamb.

~Jerry Bridges

I warmly commend it to all Christians who want to grow in their faith.

~Jerry Bridges

No circumstance is so big that He cannot control it.

~Jerry Bridges

Not only has the debt (of our sins) been fully paid, there is no possibility of ever going into debt again.

~Jerry Bridges

All pain we experience is intended to move us closer to the goal of being holy as He is holy.

~Jerry Bridges

Duty or guilt may motivate us for awhile, but only a sense of Christ's love for us will motivate us for a lifetime.

~Jerry Bridges

The opposite of retaliation is to entrust ourselves to God, who judges justly.

~Jerry Bridges

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