

Jill Scott

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Ain't nothing coming easily in this life. Sometimes you gotta work, you gotta grow and it gotta hurt.

~Jill Scott

Beauty is an understanding of what you have, and it's forgiving yourself of what you don't have, and appreciating all of it.

~Jill Scott

Just because you have a nightmare doesn't mean you stop dreaming.

~Jill Scott

Find new treasures in yourself. Love doesn't die. Love is unyielding. It's going to come back. The more you love and appreciate yourself, the more prepared you are when the real thing shows up.

~Jill Scott

If you can't help me grow, there's no point with you being in my life.

~Jill Scott

I think every individual has his or her own power, and it's a matter of working, taking time and defining what that power is.

~Jill Scott

Saturday Night Live is a show that I think I could have a lot of fun on, just being different characters and maybe singing, too.

~Jill Scott

I just think it's silly to be stingy with compliments. If you see someone and they strike you as beautiful in any way, why not let them know?

~Jill Scott

To be a queen of a household is a powerful thing.

~Jill Scott

Just bc u loved and lost doesn't mean stop loving. If u have a nightmare, does it mean u stop dreaming?

~Jill Scott

I'm being all of me, and it feels stupendous. I don't want to leave this feeling.

~Jill Scott

In order to grow emotionally and mentally, sometimes you have to grow physically as well. I'm just trying to grow, man, and always I just want to be the best and most confident me I can be.

~Jill Scott

A woman is more than the sum of her parts.

~Jill Scott

Don't stop dreaming just because you had a nightmare.

~Jill Scott

One of the things I love about Africa is the amount of dignity and respect and humility you see all the time. You don't realise how often you're disrespected until you are surrounded by respect.

~Jill Scott

When I was growing up, my mother would take me to plays and museums, and we'd talk about life. Those times helped shape who I became.

~Jill Scott

I like a man who smells good. Puts on cologne; lotions his body. It keeps me wanting. I like feeling that way.

~Jill Scott

God is ever present. He's in every breath, in every step. He's here,

always, always.

~Jill Scott

Whatever happens in my life, whether I stand up or I fall down, whatever the case, I'm going to use it in my art. Why? Because I'm an artist and I have to.

~Jill Scott

Everybody's looking for love, and you want to love somebody and be loved in return.

~Jill Scott

I'm a secret interior decorator. There's a mural on my dining room wall of the railroad tracks at 30th Street Station in Philadelphia. I love having my hometown with me out here in California.

~Jill Scott

Power doesn't have to be on such a big scale for powerful things to occur. Within your own home, you can be a powerful woman as a mother, influencing your children's lives.

~Jill Scott

When I write a song, I tap into the emotion and the feeling and then I use the emotion to write the words. It's the opposite when I act. I use the words and tap into the emotion.

~Jill Scott

Africa the continent is not just what we see on the news. It's... not AIDS, and it's not just war and poverty. It's so much more. It's an abundant continent, and Botswana is an abundant place.

~Jill Scott

I could float in the pool for hours, just letting the water carry me.

~Jill Scott

People is, I think, it's their nature - some people's nature, in a way, to be angry or jealous or just spiteful about somebody else's blessings.

~Jill Scott

I don't think I'll get married again. I'm not looking for it. What I can say about my divorce and my failed engagement is that I learned where my bar is.

~Jill Scott

You have to be humble when you're dealing with God.

~Jill Scott

I see myself being a great-grandmother at my great-grandson's graduation from a school that has my name on it.

~Jill Scott

All man-made religions are limited. I go my own way.

~Jill Scott

I'm a world-class people watcher. I like to watch people's body movements, their expressions. It says so much about them.

~Jill Scott

I think all any artist or person wants to do is grow spiritually, emotionally, professionally and mentally.

~Jill Scott

You owe it to yourself to live beautifully. And I am.

~Jill Scott

The highs, the lows, the peaks, the valleys, whatever, it's all going to go into the art, whether I'm singing or acting or whatever.

~Jill Scott

I'm going to do as much as I can with this life, and then I'm going to make sure to take some time off and be simple and ride my bike and hang out with friends.

~Jill Scott

There's something really magical about having a child - it's like permission to begin again, start over, reevaluate some things, check yourself. Recognize yourself.

~Jill Scott

If a woman is happy, then your society is happy.

~Jill Scott

For me, hair is an accoutrement. Hair is jewelry. It's an accessory.

~Jill Scott

I've done a lot of fighting in my time, and I'm down to do some more. I don't want to, but you know, there's just certain things that you can't sit down and take.

~Jill Scott

I never expected the White House to be warm, and the artwork on the walls was extraordinary. I am a fan of the Louvre, but being there it was almost just as good.

~Jill Scott

It's frustrating me - that booty is gonna sag at some point. And if you allow enough people to come inside your physical space, they leave traces.

~Jill Scott

When I get onstage, I automatically feel beautiful.

~Jill Scott

My stepfather was a very nasty individual.

~Jill Scott

I need to find creative diversity because if I get stuck, I get unhappy.

~Jill Scott

Heartbreak was the impetus to me writing poems and music in the first place.

~Jill Scott

Seriously, in America there are more big, curvy girls than there are little girls, and men love us, too.

~Jill Scott

I have been training since 8th grade, but it has to do with listening, more than practice.

~Jill Scott

All you ever really want is a great character and great writing. As an actor, that's the juiciest sandwich you could ever ask for.

~Jill Scott

My grandmother told me: 'Never be in debt to anyone or anything.' Which is probably why I've never been financially extravagant - I still go to Costco. I'm always conscious of living within my means.

~Jill Scott

When I got my success I became decadent for a while. This was 2003 to 2008. I fell for tiramisu really hard. I've become more moderate since, because African-Americans are prone to diabetes.

~Jill Scott

One day, I just got up to read a poem and started singing. I looked around - the reaction was great. And I said, oh, boy. I like this.

~Jill Scott

Our minds do understand that people of all races find genuine love in many places. We dig that the world is full of amazing options.

~Jill Scott

I was conceived after doctors told my mother she'd never have children. I'm a miracle - we all are.

~Jill Scott

I always wanted to be a renaissance woman, do as many things as I possibly can and hopefully do them well or don't do them at all.

~Jill Scott

My heart and prayers go out to all single moms because it's tough, and I can't imagine any teenager dealing with a baby and all those hormones raging.

~Jill Scott

A nutritionist has told me to have very little butter and very little spices, but I can't live like that.

~Jill Scott

I'm not interested in being commodified. I'm not into being sold. I'm not a slave.

~Jill Scott

For a writer it's a dream to sit and watch people as close as possible.

~Jill Scott

I have a few caftans just for lounging purposes. When I want to feel free, it's the closest thing to feeling naked without being naked.

~Jill Scott

I don't rhyme right now, but I may ten years from now.

~Jill Scott

There are black marriages that are still going strong 40 years later. You hear so many myths that there aren't any people making it, but there are. As long as there are some, there's hope.

~Jill Scott

There's a certain level of realness in Philly. You know, just - people are people. You know, it doesn't matter who you are or who you think you are, you're just a person in Philly.

~Jill Scott

I'm a girl who enjoys a great meal with great friends, so I'm not really that concerned about weight loss.

~Jill Scott

I love foods that start in my cheeks and then vibrate up.

~Jill Scott

Sometimes, for principle, your gonna have to kick some ass.

~Jill Scott

I just think fashion is about enjoying yourself and being comfortable in your skin and allowing you to be you - all the way live.

~Jill Scott

African people worldwide are known to be welcoming and open-minded.

~Jill Scott

Africa doesn't leap on you immediately; it seeps slowly, and it's incredibly important to be respectful and humble there.

~Jill Scott

I want to continue growing as an actress. There are ways that I can reach quicker, or deeper, with acting.

~Jill Scott

I need my man to be my homie.

~Jill Scott

Music shouldn't be a chore or feel like any kind of burden.

~Jill Scott

Everybody is supposed to be a part of their own community.

~Jill Scott

A lot of the girls I grew up with were pregnant by the time they were 16. I just was lucky.

~Jill Scott

It excites me when a person puts their whole self in a song or rhyme, or instrument. It fills me.

~Jill Scott

When you get a jean for a larger girl, you have to have them tailored for you. Tailoring is indeed everything.

~Jill Scott

My only job is to be happy. So for everybody that cares about me and is not trying to be all up in a celebrity's business, just know that I'm happy. My son is happy. We enjoy our lives.

~Jill Scott

I am a woman, I make mistakes. I make them often. God has given me a talent and that's it.

~Jill Scott

I truly loved being pregnant and feeling what was going on inside my body and watching it change. It's difficult to recoup, but still amazing nonetheless. I would have another one.

~Jill Scott

Once I started looking for a record deal, I had a trainer. And the trainer told me that I would never sell a record if I didn't lose weight.

~Jill Scott

Nothing has gotten me out of Philadelphia. I moved 20 minutes away from Philly. That's about it.

~Jill Scott

My intention is to make music that you can enjoy at all times.

~Jill Scott

My grill is intended to be discreet. It's there because I enjoy jewelry.

~Jill Scott

I've been enjoying playing with fashion - gold grills and diamond grills have just become a part of that.

~Jill Scott

I've always enjoyed shows like 'The X-Files,' where you're on the edge of your seat and you're so invested in these characters.

~Jill Scott

I've been around the world and I've had bras made in different places, and each time I'm experiencing the same troubles: the painful shoulders, the underwire cutting into my flesh.

~Jill Scott

There are repercussions to everything, even advancement and success. And I think that the repercussions to my success was the loss

of my marriage.

~Jill Scott

Soul music is about longevity and reaching and touching people on a human level - and that's never going to get lost.

~Jill Scott

I think, as an artist, you have to have experienced some deep turmoil, some kind of pain, because that's what connects you with the world. That's what makes it juicy!

~Jill Scott

When Jett puts my face in his hands and tells me, 'Mommy you're so pretty' or smells me, it's so wonderful.

~Jill Scott

When I was 12, I wrote a list of things to do before I died. Own a Picasso was one of those things.

~Jill Scott

When I sing, I have to live in that moment, so my audience can feel that. That is my reason for doing art.

~Jill Scott

We all get angry and jealous sometimes, none of us is perfect, but we should not try to be different.

~Jill Scott

'True Blood' excites me. It scares me, but it excites me.

~Jill Scott

For anyone who feels they are overwhelmed by their job, or maybe they take their job too seriously or are working too hard, I say go to a safari, particularly the Okavango Delta, and just be humbled.

~Jill Scott

One of the reasons my ex-husband and I broke up is that he stopped eating my food.

~Jill Scott

People think that lemon is good for the voice, but it dries it out.

~Jill Scott

'Fringe' is one of my favorite television shows, from its inception. I absolutely love all of the science fiction of it, the mystery of it, and the science in it.

~Jill Scott

I like to be in the now, now. Sometimes musicians have to wait for me to be genuine with it. As an actor, I don't have that luxury. You have to make it legit when they say 'action.'

~Jill Scott

In Philadelphia, you are welcome, and that's The City of Brotherly Love. I think that makes us culturally thick and sound, so you can experience all kinds of cultural authenticity.

~Jill Scott

That's what I enjoy most about my music, that it heals in its own time and makes us look at ourselves in its own time.

~Jill Scott

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