

# Jim Leach Quotes

*Government, America, People, Thinking, Humanity, Important, Doe, Country,  
War, Figures, Lessons, Notion, Moments, Reform, Sometimes, Art,  
Development, Decision, Perspective, Long*

Civility is not about dousing strongly held views. It's about making sure that people are willing to respect other perspectives.

~Jim Leach

There are words bandied about that are being misused - words like 'socialism,' words like 'communism,' words like 'fascism.

~Jim Leach

No activity I know is more of a confidence builder and at the same time more 'humility training' than wrestling.

~Jim Leach

Iraqis have held elections and have recently put together their government, all encouraging developments.

~Jim Leach

There's probably a little greater case for pessimism than optimism. But I do not rule out optimism.

~Jim Leach

It is hard to cement any relations with any country based on promises that may not be deliverable.

~Jim Leach

The arts and humanities are vastly more important in troubled times.

~Jim Leach

A government of, by and for the people is obligated to conduct the nation's business in a manner that respects dissent.

~Jim Leach

History provides a sense of where we've been and lessons that can be taken forward.

~Jim Leach

The majority of U.S. high school students don't know within 50 years when the Civil War occurred.

~Jim Leach

America is very decentralized in how it supports the humanities, unlike European countries where virtually everything stems from the central government.

~Jim Leach

Public decision-making does not lend itself to certitude.

~Jim Leach

Politics has high and low moments. Sometimes it brings out the better angels of our nature; sometimes baser instincts.

~Jim Leach

If you read literature, you put yourself in somebody else's shoes. You learn from great figures in literature.

~Jim Leach

Civility is not simply about manners.

~Jim Leach

I have a long-term interest in the humanities.

~Jim Leach

I am appalled by the notion of cultural wars.

~Jim Leach

When I look at Social Security, I consider it the most important social program in the United States, arguably the most successful program in the world.

~Jim Leach

I think America is going to have to think through whether it wants to uplift the political dialogue or advance an approach that divides and, frankly, can lead to violence.

~Jim Leach

**Related Links:**

- Government Quotes
- America Quotes
- People Quotes
- Thinking Quotes
- Humanity Quotes
- Important Quotes
- Doe Quotes
- Country Quotes
- War Quotes
- Figures Quotes
- Lessons Quotes
- Notion Quotes
- Moments Quotes
- Reform Quotes
- Sometimes Quotes
- Art Quotes
- Development Quotes
- Decision Quotes
- Perspective Quotes
- Long Quotes