

John Derbyshire

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Practically anything you read or hear about racism, sexism, and homophobia is cant.

~John Derbyshire

Wherever there is a jackboot stomping on a human face there will be a well-heeled Western liberal to explain that the face does, after all, enjoy free health care and 100 percent literacy.

~John Derbyshire

Razib Khan Hired And Fired By The New York Times, Both On The Same Day!

~John Derbyshire

I am a homophobe, though a mild and tolerant one, and a racist, though an even more mild and tolerant one, and those things are going to be illegal pretty soon, the way we are going.

~John Derbyshire

Politics, as any observer of the modern world knows, is the enemy of economics, everywhere and always.

~John Derbyshire

The more depressed and maladjusted you are, the more likely it is that you are seeing things right, with minimal bias

~John Derbyshire

I preach that odd defiant melancholy that sees the dreadful loneliness of the human soul and the pitiful disaster of human life as ever redeemable and redeemed by compassion, friendship and love.

~John Derbyshire

Conservatism is pessimistic, with a negative tendency - which we mostly resist - towards despair. Liberals are optimists, with a negative tendency, rarely resisted, towards utopianism.

~John Derbyshire

I tell you, with complex numbers you can do anything.

~John Derbyshire

Asked if Stalin was an antisemite, Robert Conquest replied: Yes, but it hardly noticed. He was broadly and generously anti-human.

~John Derbyshire

Books, in the plural lose their solidity of substance and become a gas, filling all available space.

~John Derbyshire

In matters editorial, I am a believer in totalitarian despotism. Most writers are lazy, difficult, selfish, thoughtless, and unreliable.

~John Derbyshire

Biophobia is as much a part of a politician's basic equipment as a sharp suit.

~John Derbyshire

Education is a vast sea of lies, waste, corruption, crackpot theorizing, and careerist log-rolling.

~John Derbyshire

I never ponder counterfactuals.

~John Derbyshire

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