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Not watching TV gets me in a lot of trouble in my household because my wife and daughter have a lot of shows they like to watch.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

Ireland starts for me with the end of The Dead, which my father read to me from his desk in his basement office in New Albany, Ind.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

We live in such constant nearness to the abyss of past time that the moment is endlessly sucked into.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

What's old doesn't need to be old-fashioned. It gets reborn.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

Reporting provides reminders that things are always more complicated than you think.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

It is a curious fact that the word essayist showed up in English before it existed in French.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

At GQ, there was never a temptation to pander or preach to the choir because I had no concept of who the reader was or what that reader might want.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

Freaky things happen all the time in the world. I suppose everything has to happen for the first time at some point.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

The city of Cork - the urban center, where all the shops and bars and everything are - is actually an island, a river island.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

A good writer wants from us â€" or has no right to ask more than â€" intelligence, good faith and time.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

I'm just saying, take courage. That and pretty much that alone is never the incorrect thing to do.

~John Jeremiah Sullivan

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