

John Milton

Quotes

*Men, Light, Night, Eye, Heaven, War, Sweet, Life, May, Book, Stars, Evil, Mind,
Dark, Soul, Time, Hands, Law, Art, Lying*

Athens, the eye of Greece, mother of arts And eloquence.

~John Milton

The end of all learning is to know God, and out of that knowledge to love and imitate Him.

~John Milton

Gratitude bestows reverence, allowing us to encounter everyday epiphanies, those transcendent moments of awe that change forever how we experience life and the world.

~John Milton

He who reigns within himself and rules passions, desires, and fears is more than a king.

~John Milton

He who destroys a good book kills reason itself.

~John Milton

Have hung My dank and dropping weeds To the stern god of sea.

~John Milton

O dark, dark, dark, amid the blaze of noon, Irrecoverably dark, total eclipse Without all hope of day!

~John Milton

Sabrina fair, Listen where thou art sitting Under the glassy, cool, translucent wave, In twisted braids of lilies knitting The loose train of thy amber-dropping hair.

~John Milton

Come, pensive nun, devout and pure, sober steadfast, and demure, all in a robe of darkest grain, flowing with majestic train.

~John Milton

I sat me down to watch upon a bank
With ivy canopied and interwove
With flaunting honeysuckle.

~John Milton

Love Virtue, she alone is free,
She can teach ye how to climb
Higher than the sphery chime;
Or, if Virtue feeble were,
Heav'n itself would stoop to her.

~John Milton

There is nothing that making men rich and strong
but that which they carry inside of them.
True wealth is of the heart, not of the hand.

~John Milton

None can love freedom heartily, but good men;
the rest love not freedom, but license.

~John Milton

Lethe, the river of oblivion, rolls his watery labyrinth,
which whoso drinks forgets both joy and grief.

~John Milton

Who, as they sung, would take the prison'd soul
And lap it in Elysium.

~John Milton

Give me the liberty to know, to utter, and to argue
freely according to conscience, above all liberties.

~John Milton

Or bid the soul of Orpheus sing
Such notes as, warbled to the string,
Drew iron tears down Pluto's cheek.

~John Milton

Where no hope is left, is left no fear.

~John Milton

Better to reign in hell than serve in heav'n.

~John Milton

Him that yon soars on golden wing, guiding the fiery-wheel'd throne,
the Cherub Contemplation.

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No mighty trance, or breathed spell Inspires the pale-eyed priest from
the prophetic cell.

~John Milton

Pandemonium, the high capital Of Satan and his peers.

~John Milton

Fairy damsels met in forest wide / By knights of Logres, or of Lyones, /
Lancelot or Pelleas, or Pellenore.

~John Milton

The timely dew of sleep Now falling with soft slumb'rous weight inclines
Our eyelids.

~John Milton

Solitude sometimes is best society.

~John Milton

Innocence, Once Lost, Can Never Be Regained. Darkness, Once
Gazed Upon, Can Never Be Lost.

~John Milton

The mind is its own place, and in itself, can make heaven of Hell, and a

hell of Heaven.

~John Milton

All is not lost, the unconquerable will, and study of revenge, immortal hate, and the courage never to submit or yield.

~John Milton

Let us no more contend, nor blame each other, blamed enough elsewhere, but strive, In offices of love, how we may lighten each other's burden.

~John Milton

Freely we serve, because freely we love.

~John Milton

A good book is the precious lifeblood of a master spirit.

~John Milton

Death is the golden key that opens the palace of eternity.

~John Milton

Sweet is the breath of morn, her rising sweet, With charm of earliest birds.

~John Milton

To be blind is not miserable; not to be able to bear blindness, that is miserable.

~John Milton

Never can true reconciliation grow where wounds of deadly hate have pierced so deep.

~John Milton

Loneliness is the first thing which God's eye named not good.

~John Milton

Where glowing embers through the room Teach light to counterfeit a gloom.

~John Milton

Grace was in all her steps, heaven in her eye, in every gesture dignity and love.

~John Milton

Nothing profits more than self-esteem, grounded on what is just and right.

~John Milton

Yet from those flames No light, but rather darkness visible.

~John Milton

The mountain nymph, sweet Liberty.

~John Milton

From restless thoughts, that, like a deadly swarm Of hornets arm'd, no sooner found alone, But rush upon me thronging.

~John Milton

Beauty is God's handwriting-a wayside sacrament.

~John Milton

Believe and be confirmed.

~John Milton

Sweetest Echo, sweetest nymph, that liv'st unseen Within thy airy shell, By slow Meander's margent green, And in the violet-embroidered vale.

~John Milton

Abash'd the Devil stood, And felt how awful goodness is.

~John Milton

Luck is the residue of design.

~John Milton

The whole freedom of man consists either in spiritual or civil liberty.

~John Milton

The hungry sheep look up, and are not fed.

~John Milton

The winds with wonder whist, Smoothly the waters kisst.

~John Milton

Bacchus, that first from out the purple grape Crush'd the sweet poison of misused wine.

~John Milton

And out of good still to find means of evil.

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Every cloud has a silver lining.

~John Milton

Beauty is nature's brag, and must be shown in courts, at feasts, and high solemnities, where most may wonder at the workmanship.

~John Milton

Revenge, at first though sweet, Bitter ere long back on itself recoils.

~John Milton

With a smile that glow'd Celestial rosy red, love's proper hue.

~John Milton

Ink is the blood of the printing-press.

~John Milton

So dear I love him, that with him, all deaths I could endure, without him,
live no life.

~John Milton

And oft, though wisdom wake, suspicion sleeps At wisdom's gate, and
to simplicity Resigns her charge, while goodness thinks no ill Where no
ill seems.

~John Milton

A thousand fantasies Begin to throng into my memory, Of calling
shapes, and beckoning shadows dire, And airy tongues that syllable
men's names On sands and shores and desert wildernesses

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Midnight shout and revelry, Tipsy dance and jollity.

~John Milton

Long is the way and hard, that out of hell leads up to light.

~John Milton

Anger and just rebuke, and judgment given, That brought into this world
a world of woe, Sin and her shadow Death, and Misery, Death's
harbinger.

~John Milton

The virtuous mind that ever walks attended
By a strong siding champion, Conscience.

~John Milton

In dim eclipse, disastrous twilight sheds
On half the nations, and with fear of change
Perplexes monarchs.

~John Milton

One sip of this will bathe the drooping spirits in delight,
beyond the bliss of dreams.

~John Milton

Eloquence the soul, song charms the senses.

~John Milton

Hide me from day's garish eye.

~John Milton

To hear the lark begin his flight,
And singing startle the dull Night,
From his watch-tower in the skies,
Till the dappled dawn doth rise.

~John Milton

Tears such as angels weep.

~John Milton

What reinforcement we may gain from hope;
If not, what resolution from despair.

~John Milton

And storied windows richly dight,
Casting a dim religious light.

~John Milton

O loss of sight, of thee I most complain! Blind among enemies, O worse than chains, Dungeon, or beggary, or decrepit age!

~John Milton

But let my due feet never fail To walk the studious cloisters pale, And love the high embowed roof, With antique pillars massy proof, And storied windows richly dight; Casting a dim religious light.

~John Milton

It was that fatal and perfidious bark, Built in th' eclipse, and rigg'd with curses dark.

~John Milton

What boots it at one gate to make defence, And at another to let in the foe?

~John Milton

Yet beauty, though injurious, hath strange power, After offence returning, to regain Love once possess'd.

~John Milton

Thou canst not touch the freedom of my mind.

~John Milton

Awake, arise or be for ever fall'n.

~John Milton

How charming is divine philosophy! Not harsh and crabbed, as dull fools suppose, But musical as is Apollo's lute, And a perpetual feast of nectar'd sweets Where no crude surfeit reigns

~John Milton

The childhood shows the man, as morning shows the day.

~John Milton

Men of most renowned virtue have sometimes by transgressing most truly kept the law.

~John Milton

Justice divine Mends not her slowest pace for prayers or cries.

~John Milton

O welcome pure-eyed Faith, white handed Hope, Thou hovering angel girt with golden wings.

~John Milton

When a king sets himself to bandy against the highest court and residence of all regal powers, he then, in the single person of a man, fights against his own majesty and kingship.

~John Milton

O fairest flower! no sooner blown but blasted, Soft silken primrose fading timelessly.

~John Milton

Chaos umpire sits And by decision more embroils the fray by which he reigns: next him high arbiter Chance governs all.

~John Milton

On a sudden open fly With impetuous recoil and jarring sound Th' infernal doors, and on their hinges grate Harsh thunder.

~John Milton

Come knit hands, and beat the ground in a light fantastic round

~John Milton

Fairy elves, Whose midnight revels by a forest side Or fountain some belated peasant sees, Or dreams he sees, while overhead the moon Sits arbitress.

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The stars, that nature hung in heaven, and filled their lamps with everlasting oil, give due light to the misled and lonely traveller.

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Antichrist is Mammon's son.

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Where shame is, there is also fear.

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To be weak is miserable, Doing or suffering.

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Good, the more communicated, more abundant grows.

~John Milton

Innumerable as the stars of night, Or stars of morning, dewdrops which the sun Impearls on every leaf and every flower.

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