

# Jonathan Edwards

## Quotes

*Christian, Heart, Men, Grace, Christ, Soul, World, Light, Giving, Children, Exercise, People, Mind, Delight, Mean, Spring, Prayer, Sweet, Lying, Self*

A true and faithful Christian does not make holy living an accidental thing. It is his great concern. As the business of the soldier is to fight, so the business of the Christian is to be like Christ.

~Jonathan Edwards

You contribute nothing to your salvation except the sin that made it necessary.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolution One: I will live for God. Resolution Two: If no one else does, I still will.

~Jonathan Edwards

When God is about to do a mighty new thing He always sets His people praying.

~Jonathan Edwards

It is not by telling people about ourselves that we demonstrate our Christianity. Words are cheap. It is by costly, self-denying Christian practice that we show the reality of our faith.

~Jonathan Edwards

How can you expect to dwell with God forever, if you so neglect and forsake him here?

~Jonathan Edwards

Spiritual delight in God arises chiefly from his beauty and perfection, not from the blessings he gives us.

~Jonathan Edwards

Seek not to grow in knowledge chiefly for the sake of applause, and to enable you to dispute with others; but seek it for the benefit of your souls.

~Jonathan Edwards

The enjoyment of God is the only happiness with which our souls can be satisfied.

~Jonathan Edwards

He that lives a prayerless life, lives without God in the world.

~Jonathan Edwards

Almost every natural man that hears of hell, flatters himself that he shall escape it.

~Jonathan Edwards

God's purpose for my life was that I have a passion for God's glory and that I have a passion for my joy in that glory, and that these two are one passion.

~Jonathan Edwards

The smallest sin is an act of Cosmic Treason against a Holy God.

~Jonathan Edwards

Nature is God's greatest evangelist.

~Jonathan Edwards

There are people who love those who agree with them and admire them, but have no time for those who oppose and dislike them. A Christian's love must be universal!

~Jonathan Edwards

The seeking of the kingdom of God is the chief business of the Christian life

~Jonathan Edwards

He, whose heart is fixed, trusting in Christ, need not be afraid.

~Jonathan Edwards

They who truly come to God for mercy, come as beggars, and not as creditors: they come for mere mercy, for sovereign grace, and not for anything that is due

~Jonathan Edwards

He who has Christ has all he needs and needs no more.

~Jonathan Edwards

Of all the knowledge that we can ever obtain, the knowledge of God, and the knowledge of ourselves, are the most important.

~Jonathan Edwards

I go out to preach with two propositions in mind. First, every person ought to give his life to Christ. Second, whether or not anyone else gives him his life, I will give him mine.

~Jonathan Edwards

Christ gives peace to the most sinful and miserable that come to Him. He heals the broken in heart and binds up their wounds.

~Jonathan Edwards

He who does not know Him, knows nothing else as it truly is.

~Jonathan Edwards

Truth is the agreement of our ideas with the ideas of God.

~Jonathan Edwards

Nothing sets a person so much out of the devil's reach as humility.

~Jonathan Edwards

Prayer is as natural an expression of faith as breathing is of life.

~Jonathan Edwards

If there be ground for you to trust in your own righteousness, then, all

that Christ did to purchase salvation, and all that God did to prepare the way for it is in vain.

~Jonathan Edwards

Lord, stamp eternity on my eyeballs.

~Jonathan Edwards

Christ is the true light of the world; it is through him alone that true wisdom is imparted to the mind.

~Jonathan Edwards

The door of God's mercy is thrown wide open, and Christ stands in the door and says to sinners "Come."

~Jonathan Edwards

To go to heaven, fully to enjoy God, is infinitely better than the most pleasant accommodations here.

~Jonathan Edwards

There is a difference between having a rational judgment that honey is sweet, and having a sense of its sweetness

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never to lose one moment of time; but improve it the most profitable way I possibly can.

~Jonathan Edwards

The best, most beautiful, and most perfect way that we have of expressing a sweet concord of mind to each other is by music.

~Jonathan Edwards

Unconverted men walk over the pit of hell on a rotten covering.

~Jonathan Edwards

By the grace of God we will never pluck unripe fruit. We will never press people to decision, because we'll lead them to damnation and not salvation.

~Jonathan Edwards

Every Christian family ought to be as it were a little church.

~Jonathan Edwards

A true love for God must begin with a delight in His holiness, and not with a delight in any other attribute; for no other attribute is truly lovely without this.

~Jonathan Edwards

Jesus Christ is both the only price and sacrifice by which eternal redemption is obtained for believers.

~Jonathan Edwards

If you long to be more like Christ, then act like Him, and walk as He walked.

~Jonathan Edwards

The way to Heaven is ascending; we must be content to travel uphill, though it be hard and tiresome, and contrary to the natural bias of our flesh.

~Jonathan Edwards

A sinner is not justified before God (coram Deo) apart from the righteousness of Christ apprehended by faith.

~Jonathan Edwards

He that has doctrinal knowledge and speculation only, without affection, never is engaged in the business of religion.

~Jonathan Edwards

We are dependent on the power of God to convert us and give faith in Jesus Christ and the new nature.

~Jonathan Edwards

Grace is but glory begun, and glory is but grace perfected.

~Jonathan Edwards

God is glorified not only by His glory being seen, but by its being rejoiced in.

~Jonathan Edwards

We must view humility as one of the most essential things that characterizes true Christianity.

~Jonathan Edwards

If we make a great show of respect and love to God, in the outward actions, while there is no sincerity in the heart, it is but hypocrisy and practical lying unto the Holy One.

~Jonathan Edwards

Holiness appeared to me to be of a sweet, pleasant, charming, serene, calm nature; which brought an inexpressible purity, brightness, peacefulness and ravishment to the soul.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never to do anything which I should be afraid to do if it were the last hour of my life.

~Jonathan Edwards

The pleasures of humility are really the most refined, inward, and exquisite delights in the world.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, to ask myself at the end of every day, week, month and year,

wherein I could possibly in any respect have done better.

~Jonathan Edwards

Those who are in a state of salvation are to attribute it to sovereign grace alone, and to give all the praise to Him who maketh them to differ from others.

~Jonathan Edwards

true weanedness from the world don't consist in being beat off from the world by the affliction of it, but a being drawn off by the sight of something better.

~Jonathan Edwards

Love is no ingredient in a merely speculative faith, but it is the life and soul of a practical faith.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never to suffer the least motions of anger to irrational beings.

~Jonathan Edwards

Intend to live in continual mortification, and never to expect or desire any worldly ease or pleasure.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never to do anything out of revenge.

~Jonathan Edwards

The godly are designed for unknown and inconceivable happiness.

~Jonathan Edwards

The view of the misery of the damned will double the ardour of the love and gratitude of the saints of heaven.

~Jonathan Edwards



The end of the creation is that the creation might glorify [God]. Now what is glorifying God, but a rejoicing at that glory he has displayed?

~Jonathan Edwards

Godliness is more easily feigned in words than in actions

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, that I will live so, as I shall wish I had done when I come to die.

~Jonathan Edwards

You have reason to wonder that you are not already in hell.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never henceforward, till I die, to act as if I were any way my own, but entirely and altogether God's.

~Jonathan Edwards

The happiness of the creature consists in rejoicing in God, by which also God is magnified and exalted.

~Jonathan Edwards

Assurance is not to be obtained so much by self-examination as by action

~Jonathan Edwards

There is no way that Christians, in a private capacity, can do so much to promote the work of God and advance the kingdom of Christ as by prayer.

~Jonathan Edwards

Wicked people will on the day of judgment see all there is to see of Jesus Christ, except His beauty and loveliness

~Jonathan Edwards

Teachers and learners are correlates, one of which was never intended to be without the other.

~Jonathan Edwards

Envy is a spirit of dissatisfaction or opposition to the prosperity or happiness of other people.

~Jonathan Edwards

I assert that nothing ever comes to pass without a cause.

~Jonathan Edwards

He that sees the beauty of holiness or true moral good, sees the greatest and most important thing in the world.

~Jonathan Edwards

The devil can counterfeit all the saving operations and graces of the Spirit of God.

~Jonathan Edwards

Trust in God and ye need not fear.

~Jonathan Edwards

A man who knows that he lives in sin against God will not be inclined to come daily into the presence of God.

~Jonathan Edwards

One requirement to be used as a leader in a movement of revival: They must have the Spirit of God upon them.

~Jonathan Edwards

One of these grand defects, as I humbly conceive, is this, that children are habituated to learning without understanding.

~Jonathan Edwards

Consider that as a principle of love is the main principle in the heart of a real Christian, so the labor of love, is the main business of the Christian life.

~Jonathan Edwards

To live with all my might, while I do live

~Jonathan Edwards

Christian practice is that evidence which confirms every other indication of true godliness.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, to examine carefully, and constantly, what that one thing in me is, which causes me in the least to doubt the love of God; and to direct all my forces against it.

~Jonathan Edwards

When God is about to do a great work, He pours out a spirit of supplication.

~Jonathan Edwards

From love arises hatred of those things which are contrary to what we love, or which oppose and thwart us in those things that we delight in.

~Jonathan Edwards

There is nothing that keeps wicked men at any one moment out of hell, but the mere pleasure of God

~Jonathan Edwards

Grace is the seed of glory, the dawning of glory in the heart, and therefore grace is the earnest of the future inheritance.

~Jonathan Edwards

Men will trust in God no further than they know Him; and they cannot be

in the exercise of faith in Him one ace further than they have a sight of His fulness and faithfulness in exercise.

~Jonathan Edwards

Every Christian that goes before us from this world is a ransomed spirit waiting to welcome us in heaven.

~Jonathan Edwards

You all have by you a large treasure of divine knowledge, in that you have the Bible in your hands; therefore be not contented in possessing but little of this treasure.

~Jonathan Edwards

We are dependent on God's power through every step of our redemption.

~Jonathan Edwards

Salvation is so great a thing, so glorious an attainment, that 'tis worth the while for a man to do his utmost every day during his whole life in the use of all proper means that he may attain.

~Jonathan Edwards

The beauty of the world consists wholly of sweet mutual consents, either within itself or with the supreme being.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, never to speak evil of anyone, so that it shall tend to his dishonor, more or less, upon no account except for some real good.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved to live with all my might while I do live, and as I shall wish I had done ten thousand years hence.

~Jonathan Edwards

Family education and order are some of the chief means of grace; if these are duly maintained, all the means of grace are likely to prosper and become effectual.

~Jonathan Edwards

Haste and escape for your lives, look not behind you, escape to the mountain, lest you be consumed.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, to study the Scriptures so steadily, constantly and frequently, as that I may find, and plainly perceive myself to grow in the knowledge of the same.

~Jonathan Edwards

True liberty consists only in the power of doing what we ought to will, and in not being constrained to do what we ought not to will

~Jonathan Edwards

If the case be such indeed, that all mankind are by nature in a state of total ruin, then, doubtless, the great salvation by Christ stands in direct relation to this ruin, as the remedy to the disease.

~Jonathan Edwards

Resolved, to endeavor to obtain for myself as much happiness, in the other world, as I possibly can.

~Jonathan Edwards

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