

# Joseph Fort Newton Quotes

*Men, Order, Wall, Train Of Thought, Simple, Heart, Cutting, Love, Confusion,  
Inspiration, Quality, Thinking, House, Happy Life, Real, Knows, Dream, Self,  
Liberty, Mars*

Men build too many walls and not enough bridges.

~Joseph Fort Newton

We cannot tell what may happen to us in the strange medley of life. But we can decide what happens in us - how we can take it, what we do with it - and that is what really counts in the end.

~Joseph Fort Newton

More than an institution, more than a tradition, more than a society, Masonry is one of the forms of Divine life upon earth.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Belief is truth held in the mind; faith is a fire in the heart.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Not what we have, but what we use, not what we see, but what we choose, these are the things that mar or bless the sum of human happiness.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Love is lost in immensities; it comes in simple, gentle ways.

~Joseph Fort Newton

An egotist is not a man who thinks too much of himself; he is a man who thinks too little of other people.

~Joseph Fort Newton

A duty dodged is like a debt unpaid; it is only deferred, and we must come back and settle the account at last.

~Joseph Fort Newton

So many of us know what we are against, but not what we are for-what we disbelieve, not what we believe. A negative life easily becomes neutral and futile.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Every man has a train of thought on which he rides when he is alone.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Instead of criticizing Masonry, let us thank God for one altar where no man is asked to surrender his liberty of thought and become an indistinguishable atom on a mass of sectarian agglomeration.

~Joseph Fort Newton

The real question, after all, is not the quantity of life, but its quality, its depth, its purity, its fortitude, its fineness of spirit and gesture of soul.

~Joseph Fort Newton

Masonry superadds to our other obligations the strongest ties of connection between it and the cultivation of virtue, and furnishes the most powerful incentives to goodness.

~Joseph Fort Newton

London, with its monotonous and melancholy houses, seems like an inharmonious patchwork, as if pieced together without design. Yet it is lovable in its sprawling confusion.

~Joseph Fort Newton

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