

Joseph Hall Quotes

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Hurt, Taken, Firsts, Fool, Care, Hands, Passion, Enemy, Envy*

Good prayers never come creeping home. I am sure I shall receive either what I ask, or what I should ask.

~Joseph Hall

Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl chain of all virtues.

~Joseph Hall

Let others either envy or pity me; I care not, so long as I enjoy myself.

~Joseph Hall

If the sun of God's countenance shine upon me, I may well be content to be wet with the rain of affliction.

~Joseph Hall

Seldom was any knowledge given to keep, but to impart; the grace of this rich jewel is lost in concealment.

~Joseph Hall

Try to be of some use to others.

~Joseph Hall

Death borders upon our birth, and our cradle stands in the grave.

~Joseph Hall

A reputation once broken may possibly be repaired, but the world will always keep their eyes on the spot where the crack was.

~Joseph Hall

Words are as they are taken, and things are as they are used. There are even cursed blessings.

~Joseph Hall

If religion might be judged of according to men's intentions, there would

scarcely be any idolatry in the world.

~Joseph Hall

Society is the atmosphere of souls; and we necessarily imbibe from it something which is either infectious or healthful.

~Joseph Hall

It is not the bee's touching on the flowers that gathers the honey, but her abiding for a time upon them, and drawing out the sweet.

~Joseph Hall

What I have done is worthy of nothing but silence and forgetfulness, but what God has done for me is worthy of everlasting and thankful memory.

~Joseph Hall

Perfection is the child of time.

~Joseph Hall

Recreation is intended to the mind as whetting is to the scythe, to sharpen the edge of it, which otherwise would grow dull and blunt,--as good no scythe as no edge.

~Joseph Hall

Nothing fools people as much as extreme passion.

~Joseph Hall

Mark in what order: first, our calling; then, our election; not beginning with our election first. By our calling, arguing our election.

~Joseph Hall

Earthly greatness is a nice thing, and requires so much chariness in the managing, as the contentment of it cannot require.

~Joseph Hall

It is a shame for the tongue to cast itself upon the uncertain pardon of other's ears

~Joseph Hall

For whom he means to make an often guest, One dish shall serve; and welcome make the rest.

~Joseph Hall

Our good purposes foreslowed are become our tormentors upon our deathbed.

~Joseph Hall

Not only commission makes a sin. A man is guilty of all those sins he hateth not. If I cannot avoid all, yet I will hate all.

~Joseph Hall

Heaven hath many tongues to talk of it, more eyes to behold it, but few hearts that rightly affect it.

~Joseph Hall

Virtues go ever in troops; they go so thick, that sometimes some are hid in the crowd; which yet are, but appear not.

~Joseph Hall

It is not he that reads most, but he that meditates most on Divine truth, that will prove the choicest, wisest, strongest Christian.

~Joseph Hall

A good man is kinder to his enemy than bad men are to their friends.

~Joseph Hall

Revenge commonly hurts both the offerer and sufferer; as we see in a foolish bee, which in her anger invenometh the flesh and loseth her sting, and so lives a drone ever after.

~Joseph Hall

He is a very humble man, that thinks not himself better than some others.

~Joseph Hall

There would not be so many open mouths if there were not so many open ears.

~Joseph Hall

The life of doctrine is in application.

~Joseph Hall

Garments that have once one rent in them are subject to be torn on every nail, and glasses that are once cracked are soon broken; such is man's good name once tainted with just reproach.

~Joseph Hall

The proud man hath no God; the envious man hath no neighbor; the angry man hath not himself.

~Joseph Hall

It is not sin that kills the soul, but impenitence.

~Joseph Hall

I have seldom seen much ostentation and much learning met together. The sun, rising and declining, makes long shadows; at mid day, when he is highest, none at all.

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The idle man is the Devil's cushion, on which he taketh his free ease:

who, as he is incapable of any good, so he is fitly disposed for all evil motions.

~Joseph Hall

Those that dare lose a day, ate dangerously prodigal; those that dare misspend it, are desperate.

~Joseph Hall

The blood that is once inflamed with wine is apt to boil with rage.

~Joseph Hall

Rich people should consider that they are only trustees for what they posses, and should show their wealth to be more in doing good than merely in having it.

~Joseph Hall

Our body is a well-set clock, which keeps good time, but if it be too much or indiscreetly tampered with, the alarm runs out before the hour.

~Joseph Hall

And, if I were so low that I accounted myself the worst of all, yet some would account themselves in worse case.

~Joseph Hall

...Covetousness, looking more at what we would have than at what we have.

~Joseph Hall

How apt nature is, even in those who profess an eminence in holiness, to raise and maintain animosities against those whose calling or person they pretend to find cause to dislike!

~Joseph Hall

There is many a rich stone laid up in the bowels of the earth, many a

fair pearl laid up in the bosom of the sea, that never was seen, nor never shall be.

~Joseph Hall

A man's opinion is in others; his being is in himself.

~Joseph Hall

This field is so spacious that it were easy for a man to lose himself in it; and if I should spend all my pilgrimage in this walk, my time would sooner end than my way.

~Joseph Hall

I first adventure, follow me who list And be the second English satirist

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Nothing doth so fool a man as extreme passion. This doth make them fools which otherwise are not, and show them to be fools which are so.

~Joseph Hall

The best ground untilled, soonest runs out into rank weeds. A man of knowledge that is negligent or uncorrected, cannot but grow wild and godless.

~Joseph Hall

Those who give not till they die show that they would not then if they could keep it any longer.

~Joseph Hall

He is great enough that is his own master.

~Joseph Hall

How easy it is for men to be swollen with admiration of their own strength and glory, and to be lifted up so high as to lose sight both of the ground whence they rose, and the hand that advanced them.

~Joseph Hall

He that taketh his own cares upon himself loads himself in vain with an uneasy burden. I will cast all my cares on God; He hath bidden me; they cannot burden Him.

~Joseph Hall

How endless is that volume which God hath written of the world! Every creature is a letter, every day a new page.

~Joseph Hall

God loveth adverbs; and cares not how good, but how well.

~Joseph Hall

As you see in a pair of bellows, there is a forced breath without life, so in those that are puffed up with the wind of ostentation, there may be charitable words without works.

~Joseph Hall

What fools are we, to be besotted with the love of our own trouble, and to hate our liberty and rest!

~Joseph Hall

[W]e all lie down in our bed of earth as sure to wake as ever we can be to shut our eyes.

~Joseph Hall

We must first pray, that God would make us wise; before we can wish, he would make us happy.

~Joseph Hall

Let me know myself; let others guess at me.

~Joseph Hall

For every bad there might be a worse; and when one breaks his leg let him be thankful it was not his neck.

~Joseph Hall

Even the best things ill used become evils; and, contrarily, the worst things used well prove good.

~Joseph Hall

Not to be afflicted is a sign of weakness; for, therefore God imposeth no more on me, because He sees I can bear no more.

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