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Don't wait for a Gandhi, don't wait for a King, don't wait for a Mandela. You are your own Mandela, you are your own Gandhi, you are your own King.

~Leymah Gbowee

The world is upside down, it's going to take a lot of hands to turn it right side up.

~Leymah Gbowee

We must continue to unite in sisterhood to turn our tears into triumph. There is no time to rest until our world achieves wholeness and balance, where all men and women are considered equal and free.

~Leymah Gbowee

When women gather, great things will happen.

~Leymah Gbowee

Leadership is standing with your people. People say you have to live to fight another day, but sometimes you have to show you are a true leader.

~Leymah Gbowee

Activism is something that no one can fake. You get angry. You cry. But you never throw in your towel, because that anger is what is propelling you to further action.

~Leymah Gbowee

There is something in this world that every individual can do. God has created all of us with something unique to contribute.

~Leymah Gbowee

I don't feel like I've done anything extraordinary but take my little light and shine it in darkness.

~Leymah Gbowee

You can tell people of the need to struggle, but when the powerless start to see that they really can make a difference, nothing can quench the fire.

~Leymah Gbowee

It's time for women to stop being politely angry.

~Leymah Gbowee

You cannot say you've achieved equality until EVERYONE is equal and has equal opportunities!

~Leymah Gbowee

The world is waiting to hear from you.

~Leymah Gbowee

We have lived through fear all our lives, and when you have gone through a whole lot of fear, sometimes all you can do is resist the fear, and resistance comes in the form of courage.

~Leymah Gbowee

'I wish for a better life. I wish for food for my children. I wish that sexual abuse and exploitation in schools would stop.' This is the dream of the African girl.

~Leymah Gbowee

Women are the ones that bear the greatest burden. We are also the ones who nurture societies.

~Leymah Gbowee

Regardless of whom you pray to, during war our experiences as a community and as mothers are the same.

~Leymah Gbowee

I'm a serious optimist. I come from a country where you have little to be

hopeful for, and so you have to always be an optimist.

~Leymah Gbowee

If any changes were to be made in society it had to be by the mothers.

~Leymah Gbowee

Don't stop, echoes the older Liberian lady's voice. Don't ever stop. My answer to her: I never will.

~Leymah Gbowee

At 17, the first time I saw a dead body, I froze. By 31 it was a natural occurrence for me, and no group of people should live like that.

~Leymah Gbowee

If you are serving justice to one person, those who have been affected should also be served some form of justice.

~Leymah Gbowee

If you read the life of great men and women who made important changes in history, there are two common features: One, they were angry at the state of affairs and, two, they were people of faith.

~Leymah Gbowee

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