

Mariano Rivera

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Ever since I was a little kid, I was competitive.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't just think regular season. I think playoffs. World Series. That's how I think.

~Mariano Rivera

If you don't control your emotions, your emotions will control your acts, and that's not good.

~Mariano Rivera

I never give up. If you beat me, you have to beat me one, three, four, five times, and I still don't give up.

~Mariano Rivera

Don't worry about what the people say; be yourself, say what you want to say WITH respect.

~Mariano Rivera

I have nothing to ask for, thanks to God. Everything I have, God has given me.

~Mariano Rivera

I see the hitter when he's moved in the box, like when he's moved closer to the plate or changed his stance. I see when the batter has moved his feet, and then I make my own adjustment.

~Mariano Rivera

Baseball was just the avenue that the Lord used so I can provide for my family.

~Mariano Rivera

I think the good Lord is a Yankee.

~Mariano Rivera

Every time before I throw my first pitch, I am praying. And not only that, in the bullpen I am praying.

~Mariano Rivera

I'm a simple guy, you know? If I do something, it's not going to be, 'Look at this, look at that.' It just happens.

~Mariano Rivera

I'm not used to seeing the ball go wherever she wants. As a pitcher, I like to be - I don't want to say perfect, but I want to know what the ball is going to do.

~Mariano Rivera

I know who I am, I know what I am capable of, I know who I trust.

~Mariano Rivera

I demand my kids be respectful, responsible and grateful. And they have to love the Lord with all their hearts.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't have control over everything; God has control over everything and I trust him, so I don't worry.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't feel invincible because I'm human.

~Mariano Rivera

New York has been a blessing for me and my family.

~Mariano Rivera

I know what kind of pitcher Whitey was, and I know what kind of person Whitey is. It makes me feel proud to be a Yankee. We're keeping this in the family.

~Mariano Rivera

I know there are millions of people praying for me, and I strongly believe in prayers.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't wait for people to give me respect. I always give them respect.

~Mariano Rivera

God is good for everybody. The sun shines on good people and bad people, and it rains on both, too. God doesn't choose rain only for bad people.

~Mariano Rivera

There's a lot of things more than baseball that I want to do.

~Mariano Rivera

I miss everything that makes up Panama. I don't have a preference. I love my country.

~Mariano Rivera

That's the game of baseball - amazing things happen.

~Mariano Rivera

I think God gave talent to different people in different areas.

~Mariano Rivera

I always take time for somebody who wants to talk to me.

~Mariano Rivera

I want to give my respect, glory and time to the Bible - to the word of God - just as I want to give my respect and time to my work.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't think any professional accepts defeat.

~Mariano Rivera

Because I have a little bit more, that means I'm better than you? No. Unacceptable.

~Mariano Rivera

I know, it's amazing, but I never feel like I have done anything. When people say that, it makes me uncomfortable because I'm not that kind of person. I just go out there and try to do my job.

~Mariano Rivera

Fishing is a hard job. Fishing at night. Rain. Day, night. You have to be wise and smart. And quick.

~Mariano Rivera

From my father's side I got the strength, the mental toughness, the heart, the courage.

~Mariano Rivera

My father was strict and always taught me, no matter who it is, everybody is an uncle. To me, everybody was someone I respect like family. I grew up with that.

~Mariano Rivera

I don't want to pitch forever.

~Mariano Rivera

I am not a father who wants to give his kids everything. They have to earn it.

~Mariano Rivera

I'm telling you, God loves a lot of people.

~Mariano Rivera

You can't second-guess baseball you can't second-guess yourself.

~Mariano Rivera

If I have to win one game, I'd have a hard time taking anybody over Dustin Pedroia as my second baseman.

~Mariano Rivera

You're just trying to throw the best pitch you can and make sure you hit your spots. I don't have to force nobody.

~Mariano Rivera

I like a calm life where nobody bothers me.

~Mariano Rivera

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