

Martin Heidegger

Quotes

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If I take death into my life, acknowledge it, and face it squarely, I will free myself from the anxiety of death and the pettiness of life - and only then will I be free to become myself.

~Martin Heidegger

We should never allow our fears or the expectations of others to set the frontiers of our destiny.

~Martin Heidegger

The most thought-provoking thing in our thought-provoking time is that we are still not thinking.

~Martin Heidegger

A boundary is not that at which something stops, but that from which something begins.

~Martin Heidegger

A person is neither a thing nor a process but an opening through which the Absolute can manifest.

~Martin Heidegger

Dwelling is not primarily inhabiting but taking care of and creating that space within which something comes into its own and flourishes.

~Martin Heidegger

Every man is born as many men and dies as a single one.

~Martin Heidegger

Nothing is everything that doesn't happen at this very moment.

~Martin Heidegger

Everyone is the other and no one is himself.

~Martin Heidegger

Questioning is the piety of thought.

~Martin Heidegger

How one encounters reality is a choice.

~Martin Heidegger

Being and time determine each other reciprocally, but in such a manner that neither can the former - Being - be addressed as something temporal nor can the latter - time - be addressed as a being.

~Martin Heidegger

Language is the house of Being. In its home man dwells. Those who think and those who create with words are the guardians of this home.

~Martin Heidegger

Why are there beings at all, instead of Nothing?

~Martin Heidegger

Transcendence constitutes selfhood.

~Martin Heidegger

Tell me how you read and I'll tell you who you are.

~Martin Heidegger

The human being is not the lord of beings, but the shepherd of Being.

~Martin Heidegger

The relationship between man and space is none other than dwelling, strictly thought and spoken.

~Martin Heidegger

Being is only Being for Dasein.

~Martin Heidegger

To be a poet in a destitute time means: to attend, singing, to the trace of the fugitive gods. This is why the poet in the time of the world's night utters the holy.

~Martin Heidegger

Thinking begins only when we have come to know that reason, glorified for centuries, is the stiff-necked adversary of thought.

~Martin Heidegger

I know that everything essential and great originated from the fact that the human being had a homeland and was rooted in tradition.

~Martin Heidegger

We make a space inside ourselves, so that being can speak.

~Martin Heidegger

We do not "have" a body; rather, we "are" bodily.

~Martin Heidegger

We should live totally in the face of the night and of the Evil.

~Martin Heidegger

Man acts as though he were the shaper and master of language, while in fact language remains the master of man.

~Martin Heidegger

Longing is the agony of the nearness of the distant.

~Martin Heidegger

Making itself intelligible is suicide for philosophy.

~Martin Heidegger

To think is to confine yourself to a single thought that one day stands still like a star in the world's sky.

~Martin Heidegger

Understanding of being is itself a determination of being of Da-sein.

~Martin Heidegger

The German language speaks Being, while all the others merely speak of Being.

~Martin Heidegger

Thus "phenomenology" means *to let that which shows itself be seen from itself in the very way in which it shows itself from itself.*

~Martin Heidegger

Only where leader and led together bind each other in one destiny ... does true order grow.

~Martin Heidegger

We ourselves are the entities to be analyzed.

~Martin Heidegger

The possible ranks higher than the actual.

~Martin Heidegger

In Nietzsche's view nihilism is not a *Weltanschauung* that occurs at some time and place or another; it is rather the basic character of what happens in Occidental history.

~Martin Heidegger

In order to remain silent Da-sein must have something to say.

~Martin Heidegger

Only if we are capable of dwelling, only then can we build

~Martin Heidegger

Being-alone is a deficient mode of being-with; its possibility is a proof for the latter.

~Martin Heidegger

The question concerning technology is the question concerning the constellation in which revealing and concealing, in which the coming to presence of truth, comes to pass

~Martin Heidegger

We do not say: Being is, time is, but rather: there is Being and there is time.

~Martin Heidegger

Only a god can save us.

~Martin Heidegger

I take great pleasure, every day, in seeing my work deeply rooted in our native soil.

~Martin Heidegger

To dwell is to garden.

~Martin Heidegger

The will to mastery becomes all the more urgent the more technology threatens to slip from human control

~Martin Heidegger

Spiritual superiority [consists in] deep dedication ... in the form of the most rigorous training, as commitment, resistance, solitude, and love.

~Martin Heidegger

Philosophy will not be able to effect an immediate transformation of the present condition of the world. This is not only true of philosophy, but of all merely human thought and endeavor.

~Martin Heidegger

truth is that which makes a people certain, clear, and strong.

~Martin Heidegger

A man's first bond is that which ties him into the national community.

~Martin Heidegger

he who thinks great thoughts often makes great errors

~Martin Heidegger

In everything well known something worthy of thought still lurks.

~Martin Heidegger

Being is an issue for one.

~Martin Heidegger

Whatever can be noted historically can be found within history.

~Martin Heidegger

What was Aristotle's life?' Well, the answer lay in a single sentence:
â€œHe was born, he thought, he died.' And all the rest is pure anecdote.

~Martin Heidegger

Time is not a thing, thus nothing which is, and yet it remains constant in its passing away without being something temporal like the beings in time.

~Martin Heidegger

When modern physics exerts itself to establish the world's formula, what occurs thereby is this: the being of entities has resolved itself into the method of the totally calculable.

~Martin Heidegger

But what is great can only begin great.

~Martin Heidegger

Language is the house of the truth of Being.

~Martin Heidegger

There is no such thing as an empty word, only one that is worn out yet remains full.

~Martin Heidegger

The poets are in the vanguard of a changed conception of Being.

~Martin Heidegger

True time is four-dimensional.

~Martin Heidegger

We would like only, for once, to get to where we are already.

~Martin Heidegger

The Fuhrer alone is the present and future German reality and its law. Learn to know ever more deeply: from now on every single thing demands decision, and every action responsibility.

~Martin Heidegger

Temporality temporalizes as a future which makes present in the process of having been.

~Martin Heidegger

The relation of feeling toward art and its bringing-forth can be one of production or one of reception and enjoyment.

~Martin Heidegger

If in Nietzsche's thinking the prior tradition of Western thought is gathered and completed in a decisive respect, then the confrontation

with Nietzsche becomes one with all Western thought hitherto.

~Martin Heidegger

Is the earth in our head? Or do we stand on the earth?

~Martin Heidegger

The human body is essentially something other than an animal organism.

~Martin Heidegger

So long as we represent technology as an instrument, we remain held fast in the will to master it.

~Martin Heidegger

Time-space as commonly understood, in the sense of the distance measured between two time-points, is the result of time calculation.

~Martin Heidegger

This characteristic of Dasein's being this "that it is" is veiled in its "whence" and "whither."

~Martin Heidegger

To think Being itself explicitly requires disregarding Being to the extent that it is only grounded and interpreted in terms of beings and for beings as their ground, as in all metaphysics.

~Martin Heidegger

As the ego cogito, subjectivity is the consciousness that represents something, relates this representation back to itself, and so gathers with itself.

~Martin Heidegger

The word "art" does not designate the concept of a mere eventuality; it is a concept of rank.

~Martin Heidegger

But every historical statement and legitimization itself moves within a certain relation to history.

~Martin Heidegger

We still by no means think decisively enough about the essence of action.

~Martin Heidegger

A giving which gives only its gift, but in the giving holds itself back and withdraws, such a giving we call sending.

~Martin Heidegger

The essence of technology is by no means anything technological.

~Martin Heidegger

The song still remains which names the land over which it sings.

~Martin Heidegger

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