

# Mercedes Lackey

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Adventure, yeah. I guess that's what you call it when everybody comes back alive.

~Mercedes Lackey

If only. Those must be the two saddest words in the world.

~Mercedes Lackey

The hatched chick cannot go back to the shell, the falcon who has found the sky does not willingly sit the nest.

~Mercedes Lackey

Harrier twisted himself sideways on his saddle to stare at him [Tiercel]. 'You had a vision,' he said flatly. Yes. No. I don't know. I...Yes. No.

~Mercedes Lackey

Once the blinders are off, it's rather hard to go back to seeing things the way you used to.

~Mercedes Lackey

Assume the attitude of prayer, and in time, the attitude will become prayer.

~Mercedes Lackey

Of three things be wary- of a feather on a cat, The shepherd eating mutton, And a guardsman that is fat.

~Mercedes Lackey

Inexperience can be overcome, ignorance can be enlightened, but prejudice will destroy you.

~Mercedes Lackey

It's only gossip if you repeat it. Until then, it's gathering information.

~Mercedes Lackey

I try to use all of my senses when describing a setting, and try to think of everything that would impact a character in any given scene.

~Mercedes Lackey

A quaint conceit, don't you think?

~Mercedes Lackey

It makes sense for people who are good at fighting to go out and do it-because if they're good at it, that means the fewest number of other people die.

~Mercedes Lackey

I always work from an outline, so I know all the of the broad events and some of the finer details before I begin writing the book.

~Mercedes Lackey

Zen Hugs - the hugs that you would get, if we were there, if we could hug you, but we aren't, and we can't.

~Mercedes Lackey

I have no place in my life for someone who is sure he can do everything. --Steelmind

~Mercedes Lackey

Three things know a secret- First; the lady in a dream, The dog that barks no warning, And a maid that does not scream.

~Mercedes Lackey

There will always be bad times... It's the getting back up again that counts." - Gallen in "Intrigues

~Mercedes Lackey

Change or stagnate. Keep moving or die.

~Mercedes Lackey

Time doesn't. All that Time does is make it more distant, put more space between you and what happened. It doesn't heal anything. I don't know how or what does the healing, but it isn't Time.

~Mercedes Lackey

To treat a person like a carpet, it is necessary that one do the walking, and one allow himself to be walked on. --Shin'a'in saying

~Mercedes Lackey

When warriors feel afraid they lack something, it is only because they are forgetful. They have forgotten how capable they truly are.

~Mercedes Lackey

Sympathy can be addictive and can kill strong men as surely as a diet of nothing but sugar.

~Mercedes Lackey

You are human and mortal; we are the sum of our weak moments and our strong.

~Mercedes Lackey

... sometimes good people [are] helpless... terrible things happen... to good people... there [are] sad endings as well as happy ones.

~Mercedes Lackey

It isn't wise to be rude to one's mother. She knows everything about your childhood that is potentially embarrassing.

~Mercedes Lackey

Truth and trust are the means by which civilization holds off barbarism.

~Mercedes Lackey

How DARE the villainous cads be as clever as the heroes.

~Mercedes Lackey

Certainly no one has ever died of an unrequited passionâ€”it's usually the ones that are requited that get people in trouble.

~Mercedes Lackey

If they projected the fact that they are dangerous any harder, there would be little puddles of "danger" on the floor around them. Look, it's "danger", don't step in it!

~Mercedes Lackey

Three things never anger or you'll not live for long; A wolf with cubs, A man with power, And a woman's sense of wrong.

~Mercedes Lackey

. . . from what he knew about the Creatures of the Dark they wouldn't waste their time laying elaborate traps. They'd just eat someone.

~Mercedes Lackey

You don't spend most of your life in other people's heads without losing every prejudice you ever had.

~Mercedes Lackey

A book's alright when the weather's foul and there's nothing else to do, but why sit and read when the wind is calling your name?

~Mercedes Lackey

Three things see no end- A flower blighted ere it bloomed, A message that was wasted, And a journey that was doomed.

~Mercedes Lackey

[Harrier] locked eyes with Zanattar. He couldn't remember another time in his life when he'd been this angry and hadn't hit something.

~Mercedes Lackey

Nevertheless, now that I have met you, I know that all that I am, and all

that I have, could not match what you are worth.

~Mercedes Lackey

If he didn't get out of here - right now - Harrier was either going to break into hysterical laughter or strangle somebody.

~Mercedes Lackey

...Though drowned was just as dead as any other way of dying.

~Mercedes Lackey

... everything written is at least in part fantasy. Except maybe the national budget. That's horror.

~Mercedes Lackey

Yeah, well, that's what you said the last time it did this, and it was doing it that time too,' Tiercel said waspishly. Clear as mud,' Harrier muttered.

~Mercedes Lackey

Pretend long enough that you belong, and eventually even you will believe it." - Gallen

~Mercedes Lackey

If it is stupid but it works, it isn't stupid. (a Shin'a'in saying)

~Mercedes Lackey

Magic, like technology, is a tool.

~Mercedes Lackey

Caught between glass and wood, that which breaks and that which bends, that which sings and that which survive. So our lives go.

~Mercedes Lackey

The people who keep coping, keep trying, no matter how many blows

Fate takes at them. Nobody'll make a song about them, but they're heroes all the same.

~Mercedes Lackey

She just dropped it and ran!!

~Mercedes Lackey

If you would rise, do so alone.

~Mercedes Lackey

Three things never trust in- The maiden sworn as pure, The vows a king has given, And an ambush that is sure.

~Mercedes Lackey

The freedom to swing your fist ends at my nose.

~Mercedes Lackey

Some must be warriors, that others may live in peace.

~Mercedes Lackey

Do you know the kind of things that live up there?...things without names 'cause no one who's seen 'em has lived long enough to give them any name besides 'AAAARG!

~Mercedes Lackey

If I'm walking on thin ice, I might as well dance my way across

~Mercedes Lackey

Fanatics can justify practically any atrocity to themselves. The more untenable their position becomes, the harder they hold to it, and the worse the things they are willing to do to support it.

~Mercedes Lackey

It's hard being a rock; they have such a strange sense of time - and

priorities.

~Mercedes Lackey

He isn't stupid, but his interests are so narrow I doubt I could slip a sheet of paper in between them

~Mercedes Lackey

Parents always know what strings control your heart and soul. After all, they are the ones who tied them there.

~Mercedes Lackey

I'm not a legend or a hero, I don't slay dragons, I don't do any of the things that a real hero can. But I can make things better, one day at a time, for most of the kingdom.

~Mercedes Lackey

Three things trust and cherish well- The horse on which you ride, The beast that guards and watches, And your shield-mate at your side.

~Mercedes Lackey

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