

Moses Mendelssohn

Quotes

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Father, Giving, Games, Play, Profit, One Thing, Church, Process, Would Be,
Beneficence, Pieces*

A God is thinkable, therefore a God is also actually present

~Moses Mendelssohn

I fear that, in the end, the famous debate among materialists, idealists, and dualists amounts to a merely verbal dispute that is more a matter for the linguist than for the speculative philosopher

~Moses Mendelssohn

Judaism was not a religion but a law.

~Moses Mendelssohn

The state has physical power and uses it when necessary; the power of religion is love and beneficence

~Moses Mendelssohn

Socrates' fame spread all over Greece, and the most respected and educated men from all around came to him, in order to enjoy his friendly company and instruction.

~Moses Mendelssohn

Time is a part of eternity, and of the same piece with it.

~Moses Mendelssohn

Judaism boasts of no exclusive revelation of eternal truths that are indispensable to salvation, of no revealed religion in the sense in which that term is usually understood.

~Moses Mendelssohn

For a game it is too serious, for seriousness too much of a game.

~Moses Mendelssohn

The analysis of concepts is for the understanding nothing more than what the magnifying glass is for sight

~Moses Mendelssohn

Revealed religion is one thing, revealed legislation, another.

~Moses Mendelssohn

My religion recognizes no obligation to resolve doubt other than through rational means; and it commands no mere faith in eternal truths

~Moses Mendelssohn

Socrates didn't care to visit the theater, as a rule, except when the plays of Euripides (which some think, he himself had helped to compose), were performed.

~Moses Mendelssohn

When Socrates was about 30, and his father was long dead, he was still pursuing the art of sculpture, but from necessity, and without much inclination.

~Moses Mendelssohn

You know how much I am inclined to explain all disputes among philosophical schools as merely verbal disputes or at least to derive them originally from verbal disputes

~Moses Mendelssohn

I am, therefore there is a God.

~Moses Mendelssohn

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