

Nancy Pearcey Quotes

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All of science is largely formalized common sense.

~Nancy Pearcey

Darwinism has become our culture's official creation myth, protected by a priesthood as dogmatic as any religious curia.

~Nancy Pearcey

Competition is always a good thing. It forces us to do our best. A monopoly renders people complacent and satisfied with mediocrity.

~Nancy Pearcey

Having a Christian worldview means being utterly convinced that biblical principles are not only true but also work better in the grit and grime of the real world.

~Nancy Pearcey

The human mind inherently seeks intelligible order. Thus the conviction that such an order exists to be found is a crucial assumption.

~Nancy Pearcey

Developing a Christian worldview means submitting our entire self to God, in an act of devotion and service to Him.

~Nancy Pearcey

Schools ought to teach students to challenge secular ideologies masquerading as science in the classroom.

~Nancy Pearcey

America has always welcomed anyone willing to assimilate to its national character. But radical Islam rejects assimilation and is bent on the conquest of our national character.

~Nancy Pearcey

I discovered that Christianity does have the resources to meet the

challenges posed by competing worldviews after all.

~Nancy Pearcey

For many women today, on a personal level, the problem is not male dominance so much as male desertion.

~Nancy Pearcey

The most consistent versions of materialism deny the reality of anything beyond matter - no soul, no spirit, no will, no mind. This is called reductionism: Humans are reduced to biochemical machines.

~Nancy Pearcey

America faces a fundamental choice: either the blessings of liberty or the servitude of liberalism. In the political struggle for survival, one or the other is headed for extinction.

~Nancy Pearcey

Can reason be an idol? Certainly. The philosophy of rationalism puts human reason in the place of God as the source and standard of all truth.

~Nancy Pearcey

During the first 13 centuries after the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem, no one thought of setting up a creche to celebrate Christmas. The pre-eminent Christian holiday was Easter, not Christmas.

~Nancy Pearcey

Public education grants secular worldviews an exclusive monopoly in the classroom.

~Nancy Pearcey

An idol is anything put in the place of God as the ultimate reality - the eternal, self-existent, uncaused cause of everything else.

~Nancy Pearcey

Morality is always derivative. It stems from one's worldview.

~Nancy Pearcey

The defense of marriage is the defense of freedom. Neither of which is obsolete.

~Nancy Pearcey

The only way to drive out bad culture is with good culture

~Nancy Pearcey

Yet church youth groups rarely teach apologetics, majoring instead on games and goodies.

~Nancy Pearcey

The loss of objectivity in moral thought does not lead to liberation. It leads to oppression. Secular ideologies preach liberty, but they practice tyranny.

~Nancy Pearcey

The White House should always be a friend to American freedom.

~Nancy Pearcey

Many journalists are influenced by a myopic multiculturalism that is suspicious of anything Western, while giving the benefit of the doubt to non-Western societies.

~Nancy Pearcey

In many churches, the message of justification- how to get right with God- is preached over and over again. But much less is said about sanctification- how to live after you're converted.

~Nancy Pearcey

The word 'tolerance' once meant we all have the right to argue rationally for our deepest convictions in the public arena. Now it means

those convictions are not even subject to rational debate.

~Nancy Pearcey

When the only form of cultural commentary Christians offer is moral condemnation, no wonder we come across to non-believers as angry and scolding.

~Nancy Pearcey

Because humans are capable of choosing, the first cause that created them must have a will.

~Nancy Pearcey

I began asking, 'How can we know Christianity is true?' Sadly, none of the adults in my life offered an answer. Eventually I decided Christianity must not have any answers, and I became an agnostic.

~Nancy Pearcey

We do not create marriage from scratch. Instead, in the elegant language of the marriage ceremony, we 'enter into the holy estate of matrimony.

~Nancy Pearcey

The Tea Party has imparted political energy to common-sense American constitutionalism.

~Nancy Pearcey

No matter how much you like your local school teacher, he or she is a government agent.

~Nancy Pearcey

Indigenous people have discovered that Christianity is not inherently Western but universal - 'translatable' into any cultural idiom.

~Nancy Pearcey

Americans have grown impatient with the relentless politicizing of every area of life.

~Nancy Pearcey

Knowing the truth has meaning only as a first step to living the truth day by day.

~Nancy Pearcey

The Rosetta Stone of Christian social thought is the Trinity.

~Nancy Pearcey

Literary theory has become a parody of science, generating its own arcane jargon. In the process, tragically, it discourages love of literature for its own sake.

~Nancy Pearcey

Christians must go beyond criticizing the degradation of American culture, roll up their sleeves, and get to work on positive solutions. The only way to drive out bad culture is with good culture.

~Nancy Pearcey

Mitchell claimed that her materialist view leads to "humbleness." But it is not humbling; it is dehumanizing. It essentially reduces humans to robots.

~Nancy Pearcey

My aim in homeschooling is to give my children the ability to be an adult learner, a skill set that will last the rest of their lives.

~Nancy Pearcey

A merely symbolic religion does not threaten the ruling regime of materialistic science.

~Nancy Pearcey

Artists are often the barometers of society.

~Nancy Pearcey

You don't have to be a Christian to recognize that materialism does not match reality. Materialism is not true to universal human experience - what we all know about ourselves.

~Nancy Pearcey

No one lives like a robot. We all make choices from the moment we wake up in the morning.

~Nancy Pearcey

In high school, I came to realize I had a second-hand faith, derived from my parents and family background. I had no actual reasons for believing it.

~Nancy Pearcey

Because a human is a someone and not a something, the source of human life must also be a Someone - not the blind, automatic forces of nature, as philosophies like naturalism and materialism tell us.

~Nancy Pearcey

But things that are intrinsically good can also become idols-if we allow them to take over any of God's functions in our lives.

~Nancy Pearcey

The best organizations regard the nurturing of their employees as a spiritual mandate.

~Nancy Pearcey

Materialists try to live in the lower story
NON-MATERIAL WORLD
Subjective, Superstitious, Mental Constructs
MATERIAL WORLD
Objective, Scientific, Knowable Facts

~Nancy Pearcey

The more we learn about life, the less plausible is any evolutionary theory that relies on blind, undirected, piece-by-piece change.

~Nancy Pearcey

Urban areas tend to attract members of the 'knowledge class' - people who work with ideas, data, information

~Nancy Pearcey

To be intellectual does not require one to be alienated and oppositional.

~Nancy Pearcey

The sense of all stylistic change is that the underlying view of the world changes.

~Nancy Pearcey

To adapt a phrase, idols have consequences.

~Nancy Pearcey

In every historical period, the religious groups that grow most rapidly are those that set believers at odds with the surrounding culture.

~Nancy Pearcey

Clearly, Enlightenment thinkers were seeking a God substitute.

~Nancy Pearcey

If people deny free will, then when ordering at a restaurant they should say, "Just bring me whatever the laws of nature have determined that I will get."

~Nancy Pearcey

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