Nicholas A. Christakis Quotes

Thinking, Fundamentals, Medicine, Motivation, Inspiration, Technology, People, Ifs, Humanity, Population, Care, Missing, Genes, Intellectual, Culture, Understanding, Brain, Everyday, Parent, Weight It used to be thought that our genes were historically immutable and that it was not possible to imagine a conversation between culture and genetics.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

It is well to look around at whom, and not just what, surrounds us. Population structure will change everything. Our health, wealth, and peace depend on it.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

Everyday interactions we have with other people are definitely contagious, in terms of happiness.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

We cannot understand our humanity just by studying individuals. ~Nicholas A. Christakis

What constrains or enables the capacity of human beings to work in groups is not so much the technology, but rather the capacity of the human brain to have and monitor social interactions.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

The reason we form networks is because the benefits of a connected life outweigh the costs. It's to our advantage as individuals and a species to assemble ourselves in this fashion.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

I like to have met someone in real life before being their Facebook friend.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

It's fashionable to speak about vulnerable populations in medicine and public policy, but it's harder to find a more vulnerable population than those who are dying. ~Nicholas A. Christakis

People have just assumed that... if we call our Facebook acquaintances our friends, we must be influenced by them, too. But we're not. ~Nicholas A. Christakis

Social networks are these intricate things of beauty, and they're so elaborate and so complex and so ubiquitous that one has to ask what purpose they serve.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

My entire youth was spent with an incredibly ill parent... I don't think you can grow up that way and not be marked by that experience.

~Nicholas A. Christakis

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