

Olive Schreiner Quotes

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I think if I were dying and I heard of an act of injustice, it would start me up to a moment's life again.

~Olive Schreiner

There was never a great man who had not a great mother.

~Olive Schreiner

My feeling is that there is nothing in life but refraining from hurting others, and comforting those who are sad.

~Olive Schreiner

Our fathers had their dreams; we have ours; the generation that follows will have its own. Without dreams and phantoms man cannot exist.

~Olive Schreiner

Everything has two sides - the outside that is ridiculous, and the inside that is solemn.

~Olive Schreiner

If the bird does like its cage, and does like its sugar and will not leave it, why keep the door so very carefully shut?

~Olive Schreiner

Love, smoke and a cough cannot long be hid!

~Olive Schreiner

The secret of success is concentration ... Taste everything a little, look at everything a little; but live for one thing.

~Olive Schreiner

One's real deathless wealth is all the beautiful souls one has seen and spiritually touched.

~Olive Schreiner

I know there will be spring, as surely as the birds know it when they see above the snow two tiny, quivering green leaves. Spring cannot fail us.

~Olive Schreiner

Wisdom never kicks at the iron walls it can't bring down.

~Olive Schreiner

No good work is ever done while the heart is hot and anxious and fretted.

~Olive Schreiner

God said, 'When one man and one woman shine together, it makes the most perfect light.

~Olive Schreiner

Men are like the earth and we are the moon; we turn always one side to them, and they think there is no other, because they don't see it - but there is.

~Olive Schreiner

When the curtain falls no one is ready

~Olive Schreiner

Love that has been given to you is too sacred a thing to be talked of to anyone ... except just to the person who is like part of you and who will feel it as you do.

~Olive Schreiner

It is finer to bring one noble human being into the world and rear it well... than to kill ten thousand.

~Olive Schreiner

Power! Did you ever hear of men being asked whether other souls should have power or not? It is born in them.

~Olive Schreiner

How hard it is to make your thoughts look anything but imbecile fools when you paint them with ink on paper.

~Olive Schreiner

There are only two things that are absolute realities, love and knowledge, and you can't escape them.

~Olive Schreiner

We were equals once when we lay new-born babes on our nurse's knees. We will be equal again when they tie up our jaws for the last sleep.

~Olive Schreiner

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I am always thirsting for beautiful, beautiful, beautiful music. I wish I could make it. Perhaps there isn't any music on earth like what I picture to myself.

~Olive Schreiner

There's something beautiful about finding one's innermost thoughts in another.

~Olive Schreiner

There's something so beautiful in coming on one's very inmost thoughts in another. In one way it is one of the greatest pleasures one has.

~Olive Schreiner

They are called finishing-schools and the name tells accurately what they are. They finish everything.

~Olive Schreiner

A word may become so defiled by bad use that it will take a century before it can be purified, and brought into use again.

~Olive Schreiner

For those of us who have a ground of knowledge which we cannot transmit to outsiders, it is perhaps more profitable to act fearlessly than to argue.

~Olive Schreiner

genius has no limit of sex or race.

~Olive Schreiner

We have been so blinded by thinking and feeling that we have never seen the World.

~Olive Schreiner

The nations which have received and in any way dealt fairly and mercifully with the Jew have prospered, and the nations that have tortured and oppressed him have written out their own curse.

~Olive Schreiner

The surest sign of fitness is success.

~Olive Schreiner

One has no right to form ideals of people, and then, because they don't justify them, become bitter.

~Olive Schreiner

the brain works better if the hand works too.

~Olive Schreiner

A child sees everything, looks straight at it, examines it, without any preconceived idea.

~Olive Schreiner

Marriage for love is the most beautiful external symbol of the union of souls; marriage without it is the least clean traffic that defiles the world.

~Olive Schreiner

Soul, what have I to do with you?

~Olive Schreiner

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