

# Paul Eldridge

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We endeavor to stuff the universe into the gullet of an aphorism.

~Paul Eldridge

We mourn the transitory things and fret under the yoke of the immutable ones.

~Paul Eldridge

To judge a man's character by only one of its manifestations is like judging the sea by a jugful of its water.

~Paul Eldridge

In the spider-web of facts, many a truth is strangled.

~Paul Eldridge

Praises for our past triumphs are as feathers to a dead bird.

~Paul Eldridge

A man is most accurately judged by how he treats those who are not in a position either to retaliate or to reciprocate.

~Paul Eldridge

With the stones we cast at them, geniuses build new roads with them.

~Paul Eldridge

Man is ready to die for an idea, provided that idea is not quite clear to him.

~Paul Eldridge

It is not true that men prefer foolish women. Rather they prefer women who can simulate foolishness whenever necessary, which is the very core of intelligence.

~Paul Eldridge

Avarice is fear sheathed in gold.

~Paul Eldridge

Reason is the shepherd trying to corral life's vast flock of wild irrationalities.

~Paul Eldridge

Jealousy would be far less torturous if we understood that love is a passion entirely unrelated to our merits.

~Paul Eldridge

Having read the inscriptions upon the tombstones of the great and little cemeteries, Wang Peng advised the Emperor to kill all the living and resurrect the dead.

~Paul Eldridge

History is the transformation of tumultuous conquerors into silent footnotes.

~Paul Eldridge

Reading the epitaphs, our only salvation lies in resurrecting the dead and burying the living.

~Paul Eldridge

If we were brought to trial for the crimes we have committed against ourselves, few would escape the gallows.

~Paul Eldridge

Authors hide their big thefts by putting small ones between quotation marks.

~Paul Eldridge

There are those whose sole claim to profundity is the discovery of exceptions to the rules.

~Paul Eldridge

We hew and saw and plane facts to make them dovetail with our prejudices, so that they become mere ornaments with which to parade our objectivity.

~Paul Eldridge

Many a necklace becomes a noose.

~Paul Eldridge

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