

Peter Kreeft Quotes

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In an age that has thrown off all tradition, the only rebellion possible is orthodoxy.

~Peter Kreeft

If you love, you will suffer. The only way to protect yourself against suffering is to protect yourself against love - and that is the greatest suffering of all, loneliness.

~Peter Kreeft

Moral relativism has a reputation for being compassionate, caring and humane, but it is an extremely useful philosophy for tyrants.

~Peter Kreeft

The opposite of Christianity is not atheism, but idolatry.

~Peter Kreeft

Moral stupidity comes in two different forms: relativism and legalism. Relativism sees no principles, only people; legalism sees no people, only principles.

~Peter Kreeft

One of the few things in life that cannot possibly do harm in the end is the honest pursuit of the truth.

~Peter Kreeft

Don't be more serious than God. God invented dog farts.

~Peter Kreeft

There is one and only one possible road to joy: selfless love.

~Peter Kreeft

Abortion is the Antichrist's demonic parody of the eucharist. That's why it uses the same holy words, "This is my body," with the blasphemous opposite meaning.

~Peter Kreeft

If God is not a Trinity, God is not love. For love requires three things: a lover, a beloved, and a relationship between them.

~Peter Kreeft

The heart is like a woman, and the head is like a man, and although man is the head of woman, woman is the heart of man, and she turns man's head because she turns his heart.

~Peter Kreeft

There is no scientific proof that only scientific proofs are good proofs; no way to prove by the scientific method that the scientific method is the only valid method.

~Peter Kreeft

The national anthem of hell is, "I Did It My Way."

~Peter Kreeft

We need to have the mind of a conservative and the heart of a liberal.

~Peter Kreeft

The greatest Christians in history seem to say that their sufferings ended up bringing them the closest to God - so this is the best thing that could happen, not the worst.

~Peter Kreeft

The womb is like an altar, it's the place where God continually comes into the world and does what only God can do...create.

~Peter Kreeft

The opposite of theism is not atheism, it's idolatry

~Peter Kreeft

Everything smaller than Heaven bores us because only Heaven is bigger than our hearts.

~Peter Kreeft

Listening to other people's needs is listening to God. Noticing simple, natural beauty, hearing music, even confronting the challenge of pain and problems - that can all be listening to God too.

~Peter Kreeft

Sinners think they are saints, but saints know they are sinners.

~Peter Kreeft

Why pray if we cannot change God? ...is that why we pray? To change omniscient Love? Isn't it rather to learn what it is and to fulfill it? Not to change it by our acts, but to change our acts by it.

~Peter Kreeft

Control language and you control thought; control thought and you control action; control action and you control the world.

~Peter Kreeft

All of history is a kind of broken marriage and God puts it back together again.

~Peter Kreeft

Nothing but prayer can make saints because nothing but God can make saints, and we meet God in prayer. Prayer is the hospital for souls where we meet Doctor God.

~Peter Kreeft

Your heart is like an infinitely large hole, and only God is big enough to fill it.

~Peter Kreeft

Grey is the devil's favorite color.

~Peter Kreeft

In an age of hope men looked up at the night sky and saw "the heavens." In an age of hopelessness they call it simply "space."

~Peter Kreeft

You have to say no to something else, in order to make time to pray.

~Peter Kreeft

Suffering is not blessed because it is suffering but because it is [Christ's]. Suffering is not the context that explains the cross; the cross is the context that explains suffering.

~Peter Kreeft

God writes the story of our lives with the pen strokes of our own free choices.

~Peter Kreeft

How will the Tower of Babel be undone? How will we understand each other in Heaven? Will we all speak English or Dutch or Latin? No, we will speak music.

~Peter Kreeft

This is the secret of life: the self lives only by dying, finds its identity (and its happiness) only by self-forgetfulness, self-giving, self-sacrifice, and agape love.

~Peter Kreeft

Only God may be adored, because only God is unlimited goodness, truth, and beauty, and thus only God deserves unlimited love.

~Peter Kreeft

The most compelling evidence for God's existence is Christ. If God

does not exist, then Christ was the biggest fool who ever lived.

~Peter Kreeft

Sacraments are like hoses. They are the channels of the living water of God's grace. Our faith is like opening the faucet. We can open it a lot, a little, or not at all.

~Peter Kreeft

Conscience is thus explained only as the voice of God in the soul.

~Peter Kreeft

Humility is not an exaggeratedly low opinion of yourself. Humility is self-forgetfulness.

~Peter Kreeft

Reason alone cannot give you a whole steak, but it sure helps with identifying bologna.

~Peter Kreeft

The secret of joy is hidden in the word itself: first J, then O, then Y: Jesus first, Others next, Yourself last.

~Peter Kreeft

Kindness-mere kindness-cannot tolerate suffering. Love can.

~Peter Kreeft

Be egalitarian regarding persons. Be elitist regarding ideas.

~Peter Kreeft

A saint isn't somebody who tries harder, but someone who trusts more.

~Peter Kreeft

An open mind is not an end in itself but a means to the end of finding truth.

~Peter Kreeft

Great saints have often been made out of great sinners, but not one was ever made out of a wimp.

~Peter Kreeft

In an age of relativism, orthodoxy is the only possible rebellion left

~Peter Kreeft

Trying to fill the God-sized hole in our hearts with things other than God is like trying to fill the Grand Canyon with marbles.

~Peter Kreeft

A pure heart means a single heart, a heart in which only one desire lives: love.

~Peter Kreeft

The most total opposite of pleasure is not pain but boredom, for we are willing to risk pain to make a boring life interesting.

~Peter Kreeft

If you didn't believe in objective truth, arguments would be just toys, or games, or jokes.

~Peter Kreeft

The only reason you are not yet a saint is because you do not wholly want to be one.

~Peter Kreeft

Agape is the catalyst that makes value appear in anything.

~Peter Kreeft

Christ is the Word of God in person. The Bible is the Word of God in writing. Both are the Word of God in the words of men. Both have a

human nature and a divine nature.

~Peter Kreeft

It is mercy, not justice or courage or even heroism, that alone can defeat evil.

~Peter Kreeft

Lack of prayer is the cause of lack of time.

~Peter Kreeft

Faith is not like bottled water but like rain. Its destiny is not just to be kept and held but to make something visible grow.

~Peter Kreeft

If you place [your bet] with God, you lose nothing, even if it turns out that God does not exist. But if you place it against God, and you are wrong and God does exist, you lose everything.

~Peter Kreeft

Atheism cheapens everything it touches - look at the results of communism, the most powerful form of atheism on earth.

~Peter Kreeft

Our destiny is to be so intimately united with God that, as the mystics say, we not only see God's face but also see with God's face.

~Peter Kreeft

Violence is spiritual junk food, and boredom is spiritual anorexia.

~Peter Kreeft

We can and should investigate and learn from the wisdom in other religions.

~Peter Kreeft

We can't avoid reasoning; we can only avoid doing it well.

~Peter Kreeft

A God who did not abolish suffering-worse , a God who abolished sin precisely by suffering-is a scandal to the modern mind.

~Peter Kreeft

We sinned for no reason but an incomprehensible lack of love, and He saved us for no reason but an incomprehensible excess of love.

~Peter Kreeft

God gives us not only the truth but also the ability to believe it; not only the new thing to see but also the new eye to see it with.

~Peter Kreeft

The six things in life that never get boring are knowing and loving God, your neighbor, and yourself.

~Peter Kreeft

Peace is a mark of the Holy Spirit.

~Peter Kreeft

It is the Godfather, not God the Father, who makes you an offer you can't refuse.

~Peter Kreeft

Sin has made us stupid, so that we can only learn the hard way.

~Peter Kreeft

The rich fop Francis of Assisi was bored all his life-until he fell in love with Christ and gave all his stuff away and became the troubadour of Lady Poverty.

~Peter Kreeft

We sin because we see sin as a bargain. We unconsciously calculate that it's worth it, that it pays.

~Peter Kreeft

Being a Christian is more like having your soul possessed by a spirit than having your mind clothed with new beliefs... It is like being haunted by the Holy Ghost.

~Peter Kreeft

If you are truly confident about something, you welcome honest questions about it.

~Peter Kreeft

Joy is not a feeling in us. Joy does not enter into us. We enter into joy: "Enter into the joy of your Lord" (Mt 25:21).

~Peter Kreeft

Actually, we have misdefined "hypocrisy." Hypocrisy is not the failure to practice what you preach but the failure to believe it. Hypocrisy is propaganda.

~Peter Kreeft

Other religions are stories of man's search for God. The Bible is the story of God's search for man.

~Peter Kreeft

Most people believe you have to have some moral absolutes if you want to hold back chaos.

~Peter Kreeft

Atheism is cheap on people, because it snobbishly says nine out of ten people through history have been wrong about God and have had a lie at the core of their hearts.

~Peter Kreeft

Forgiveness is the reason for the crucifixion, and the crucifixion is the reason for the Incarnation.

~Peter Kreeft

Things look different when history is seen as His-story.

~Peter Kreeft

We are artists, because God is.

~Peter Kreeft

Even David Hume, one of history most famous skeptics, said it's just barely possible that God exists.

~Peter Kreeft

Diversion and indifference are the two widest roads to Hell in today's world.

~Peter Kreeft

Objective truth itself is sometimes often seen as a right wing Republican-Christian plot to take over the government (though the rhetoric is cleverer than that, that's the bottom line).

~Peter Kreeft

Mary's light is like that of the moon, totally reflected from the sun, the Son of God.

~Peter Kreeft

Feelings come to us, passively; love comes from us, actively, by our free choice.

~Peter Kreeft

Every blade of grass is a blade of grace, a grace note in God's single Song. Nature is not blind and dumb. Nature is eloquent. Human science is blind and dumb if it does not hear this eloquence.

~Peter Kreeft

Put the Protestant flint and the Catholic steel together, and you will kindle a fire that will burn all around the world.

~Peter Kreeft

The deepest healing is the healing of the deepest wound. The deepest wound is the frustration of the deepest need. The deepest need is the need for meaning, purpose, and hope.

~Peter Kreeft

The best answer to the problem of evil is not one so much found on paper but on wood.

~Peter Kreeft

Most theists are deists most of the time, in practice if not in theory. They practice the absence of God instead of the presence of God.

~Peter Kreeft

Envy, though not the greatest sin, is the only one that gives the sinner no pleasure at all, not even fake and temporary satisfaction.

~Peter Kreeft

To worship a crocodile is better to worship yourself.

~Peter Kreeft

God continuously comes into the world in two places - at the altar and in the womb.

~Peter Kreeft

The eye of the poet sees less clearly, but sees farther than the eye of the scientist.

~Peter Kreeft

Every gift requires two freedoms: the giver's and the receiver's.

~Peter Kreeft

Now I see that God prefers to work through intermediaries - Mary and the saints. . . He wants us to pray through Mary and not only directly.

~Peter Kreeft

God alone has the secret of eternal life and joy.

~Peter Kreeft

Christianity is God's marriage proposal to the soul.

~Peter Kreeft

The key to faith is love. We believe only if we love. Trust is the middle term; only if we love, do we trust; and only if we trust, do we believe.

~Peter Kreeft

If we turn to the divine Conductor and follow the wise and loving baton that is His will, His Word, then the music of our life will be a symphony.

~Peter Kreeft

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