Peter Wessel Zapffe Quotes

Children, Men, Mind, Earth, Doe, Spiritual, Tragedy, Light, Animal, Ends, Hair, Inspirational, Breathing, Life And Death, Lawyer, Religious, Mutation, Islands, Needs, Silent We come from an inconceivable nothingness. We stay a while in something which seems equally inconceivable, only to vanish again into the inconceivable nothingness.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

Each new generation asks - What is the meaning of life? A more fertile way of putting the question would be - Why does man need a meaning to life?

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

To bear children into this world is like carrying wood to a burning house.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

The more a human being in his worldview approaches the goal, the hegemony of love in a moral universe, the more has he become slipshod in the light of intellectual honesty.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

As long as humankind recklessly proceeds in the fateful delusion of being biologically fated for triumph, nothing essential will change. ~Peter Wessel Zapffe

If one regards life and death as natural processes, the metaphysical dread vanishes, and one obtains peace of mind.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

Know yourselves- be infertile and let the earth be silent after ye. ~Peter Wessel Zapffe

For me, a desert island is no tragedy, neither is a deserted planet. ~Peter Wessel Zapffe

A coin is turned around before it is handed to the beggar, yet a child is

unflinchingly tossed into cosmic bruteness.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

The seed of a metaphysical or religious defeat is in us all. For the honest questioner, however, who doesn't seek refuge in some faith or fantasy, there will never be an answer.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

Jesus must have been a psychopath

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

The immediate facts are what we must relate to. Darkness and light, beginning and end.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

Mankind ought to end its existence of its own will.

~Peter Wessel Zapffe

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