

Philip Neri Quotes

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Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if he wants anything of you, He will fit you for the work and give you strength.

~Philip Neri

A joyful heart is more easily made perfect than a downcast one.

~Philip Neri

The best way to prepare for death is to spend every day of life as though it were the last.

~Philip Neri

To preserve our cheerfulness amid sicknesses and troubles, is a sign of a right and good spirit.

~Philip Neri

First let a little love find entrance into their hearts, and the rest will follow.

~Philip Neri

There is nothing the devil fears so much, or so much tries to hinder, as prayer.

~Philip Neri

The Lord grants in a moment what we may have been unable to obtain in dozens of years.

~Philip Neri

The greatness of our love of God must be tested by the desire we have of suffering for His love.

~Philip Neri

He who is unable to spend a long time together in prayer, should often lift up his mind to God by short prayers.

~Philip Neri

The cross is the gift God gives to his friends.

~Philip Neri

My children, if you desire perseverance, be devout to our Blessed Lady.

~Philip Neri

My Jesus, if you uphold me, I shall not fall.

~Philip Neri

Let us pray God, if He gives us any virtue or any gift, to keep it hidden even from ourselves, that we may preserve our humility, and not take occasion of pride because of it.

~Philip Neri

If we wish to keep peace with our neighbours, we should never remind any one of his natural defects.

~Philip Neri

Christian joy is a gift of God flowing from a good conscience.

~Philip Neri

Give me ten truly detached men. and I will convert the world with them.

~Philip Neri

Let us think, if we only got to heaven, what a sweet and easy thing it will be there to be always saying with the angels and the saints, Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus.

~Philip Neri

He who always acts under obedience may be assured that he will not have to give an account of his actions to God.

~Philip Neri

The great thing is to become Saints.

~Philip Neri

Believe me, there is no more powerful means to obtain God's grace than to employ the intercessions of the Holy Virgin.

~Philip Neri

Obedience is the true holocaust which we sacrifice to God on the altar of our hearts.

~Philip Neri

Those who have themselves for a spiritual director have a fool for a spiritual director.

~Philip Neri

At communion we ought to ask for the remedy of the vice to which we feel ourselves most inclined.

~Philip Neri

There is nothing more dangerous in the spiritual life, than to wish to rule ourselves after our own way of thinking.

~Philip Neri

Heaven is not made for the slothful.

~Philip Neri

Let us be humble and keep ourselves down: - Obedience! Humility!
Detachment!

~Philip Neri

The perfection of a Christian consists in mortifying his will for the love of Christ. Where there is no great mortification, there is no great sanctity.

~Philip Neri

It is an old custom of the servants of God to have some little prayer ready and to be frequently darting them up to heaven during the day, lifting their minds to God out of the mire of this world.

~Philip Neri

It is easy to infuse a most fervent devotion into others, even in a short time; but the great matter is - to persevere.

~Philip Neri

We must often remember what Christ said, that not he who begins, but he that perseveres to the end, shall be saved.

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To be without pity for other mens falls, is an evident sign that we shall fall ourselves shortly.

~Philip Neri

He who desires anything but God deceives himself, and he who loves anything but God errs miserably.

~Philip Neri

We must not trust in ourselves, but take the advice of our spiritual father, and recommend ourselves to everybodys prayers.

~Philip Neri

As soon as we are stripped of the sordid garb of avarice, we shall be clothed with the royal and imperial vest of the opposite virtue, liberality.

~Philip Neri

Not to know how to deny our soul its own wishes, is to foment a very hot-bed of vices.

~Philip Neri

To acquire and preserve the virtue of chastity, we have need of a good and experienced confessor.

~Philip Neri

Without mortification nothing can be done.

~Philip Neri

The stench of impurity before God and the angels is so great, that no stench in the world can equal it.

~Philip Neri

He who feels that the vice of avarice has got hold of him, should not wish to observe fasts of supererogation, but to give alms.

~Philip Neri

Even though a man may be unable to attain such a height of sanctity, he ought to desire it, so as to do at least in desire what he cannot carry out in effect.

~Philip Neri

Let the sick man enter into the Side of Jesus and His most holy Wounds; let him not be afraid, but combat manfully, and he will come forth victorious.

~Philip Neri

He who wishes for goods will never have devotion.

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