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You have to stand for what you believe in and sometimes you have to stand alone.

~Queen Latifah

Life is so much bigger, grander, higher, and wider than we allow ourselves to think.

~Queen Latifah

I decided early on that I was going to put on my crown and rule my world by acting right and treating myself like a queen.

~Queen Latifah

I don't want to be a supermodel; I want to be a role model.

~Queen Latifah

My mom will make me walk the dogs or take out the trash when I go home.

~Queen Latifah

Every woman is a queen, and we all have different things to offer.

~Queen Latifah

No one ever got ahead by going through the motions. You have to constantly be improving yourself. Make your life the masterpiece you want it to be.

~Queen Latifah

I really don't know how to be anyone else, and whenever I try to be anyone else, I fail miserably. Or I disappoint myself. It doesn't build my self-esteem, and it doesn't help me grow me at all.

~Queen Latifah

Let your inner queen's voice come through loud and clear. Be strong, be authentic, be you, and you'll do her proud.

~Queen Latifah

When I was around 18, I looked in the mirror and said, 'You're either going to love yourself or hate yourself.' And I decided to love myself. That changed a lot of things.

~Queen Latifah

Be bold, be brave enough to be your true self.

~Queen Latifah

Dreams become reality when we put our minds to it.

~Queen Latifah

Racism is ignorant. And it's stupid. And it's old. And it's played out. So beat it already with that, you know what I mean? 'Let's all get along' - I'm so tired of that damn sentence, but it's true.

~Queen Latifah

You just have to connect with people who believe in your vision and who will work with you and advance your cause.

~Queen Latifah

I am a strong woman with or without this other person, with or without this job, and with or without these tight pants.

~Queen Latifah

Sometimes I pray when I really feel like I need God to help me with something, and sometimes we just have conversations. We just kick it.

~Queen Latifah

You can't let fear paralyze you. The worse that can happen is you fail, but guess what: You get up and try again. Feel that pain, get over it, get up, dust yourself off and keep it moving.

I designed my whole image. That was all me. I just bought some regular clothes, threw a medallion around my neck, and that was it. The next thing I know, that's the look.

~Queen Latifah

You can huff and puff. But blow me down? I doubt it kid, or you get your ass whupped.

~Queen Latifah

If there are kids who want to follow in my footsteps, I'd say that my shoes are too big for them to fill! But their shoe size is just perfect.

~Queen Latifah

I am not one to turn down macaroni and cheese, even late at night. I love Italian food. I love pasta... A refrigerator full of water and Gatorade? Honey, that's just not gonna happen.

~Queen Latifah

I'm proud of everything I do, but I think I'm the most happy about becoming a rapper. It was my entrance into everything. That helped me get into acting.

~Queen Latifah

I made decisions that I regret, and I took them as learning experiences... I'm human, not perfect, like anybody else.

~Queen Latifah

New Jersey is a great place to live. And we have given some of the best talent to the world, from Jack Nicholson, John Travolta, to Jerry Lewis to Bon Jovi to Frank Sinatra.

~Queen Latifah

I like Pirate's Booty. Prunes and olives, too. I love hummus. I can eat that until I die. I tend to eat mostly organic food.

~Queen Latifah

Look at people for an example, but then make sure to do things your way. Surround yourself with positive people.

~Queen Latifah

I was taught from a young age that many people would treat me as a second-class citizen because I was African-American and because I was female.

~Queen Latifah

You have to allow your mind to create and then if you want to censor something and bring it down or point it in a different direction, then you can do it.

~Queen Latifah

I enjoy just being me. I don't need to be Queen Latifah, the brand, 24 hours a day.

~Queen Latifah

I'm not living large; I just want to live comfortably. I wanna have financial stability that is unshakable.

~Queen Latifah

There are different flavours of sexiness.

~Queen Latifah

Even if you don't have anything, even if you've got a quarter in your pocket, to share with someone else who has nothing really helps.

~Queen Latifah

It's not always easy to do the right thing. But, doing the right thing makes you strong, it builds character.

I don't care how much money you have, free stuff is always a good thing.

~Queen Latifah

I have always felt strongly about empowering women. I'm living proof that, with confidence and by believing in yourself, you can accomplish any goal.

~Queen Latifah

instinct leads me to another flow

~Queen Latifah

Yeah, I'm from Jersey; it's almost like I was automatically born a Nets fan.

~Queen Latifah

I feel very positive about Newark's future, but I know we need a lot of help. I think that starts with the education of our kids and making the streets safer.

~Queen Latifah

A confident woman is a sexy woman, in my opinion. And I think guys find that to be the same way.

~Queen Latifah

For me, it might sound cliche, but beauty for me really does start on the inside. It's like a state of mind, a state of love if you will. Then, whatever you can do on the outside is all like a bonus.

~Queen Latifah

Always follow your own path.

~Queen Latifah

Most people don't have so much talent that they can become a success

all their own. We all need people to help us and lift us up.

~Queen Latifah

You do silly things for love sometimes and not-so-smart things for love.

~Queen Latifah

I do feel like I have a direct connection with God for some reason; always have since I was a little kid - I would talk to God, talk to the sky.

~Queen Latifah

I often go to bed in my birthday suit. But I like teddies and cute little undies that match. I like a sexy bra and panty set, or little shorts.

~Queen Latifah

I already enjoy cooking. I like different flavors and putting different things together and really like taking normal recipes to a higher level.

~Queen Latifah

Bowling, I like bowling. I've been getting into this bowling thing. It's kinda fun.

~Queen Latifah

There is no profession more essential than that of an educator, and it's time for all of us to embrace and celebrate their importance and contribution to America's children.

~Queen Latifah

Beauty is not just a white girl. It's so many different flavors and shades.

~Queen Latifah

I believe that the kids, young people should have an opportunity to have Oscar nominated actors in their movies too.

I have a drum set in my dressing room. I play drums to relax and have some fun.

~Queen Latifah

As a teenager, I had big breasts for my age, and my friends cracked on me a lot.

~Queen Latifah

I enjoy going to work and having a good time. It's tough when you got to work with people who just are in a bad mood all the damn time.

~Queen Latifah

When you're rapping, you do have to perform to a certain degree, but not every rapper is necessarily a gifted actor.

~Queen Latifah

I often find it's just the confidence that makes you sexy, not what your body looks like. It's how you feel about yourself that makes you sexy.

~Queen Latifah

I'm not allowed to get a big head, I've still got to do the simple things in life.

~Queen Latifah

I never really took any acting classes. I'm just a natural ham, I guess.

~Queen Latifah

There are a lot of people who helped make Queen Latifah who she is today. I don't forget, but a lot of people do and get big heads.

~Queen Latifah

Life's not about sitting at home in front of the TV waiting for your life to begin. Get out there and take some chances.

I'd like to have and adopt children. I think I'd be a great mom, honestly. I don't think I'll have any problem giving them all the love in the world. Discipline will be the hard part.

~Queen Latifah

I'm thinking wanting to succeed is something in my DNA; I'm not like 'I've got to succeed,' I just don't think about that... I see a silver lining in everything and I see a lesson in everything.

~Queen Latifah

Living for today will bring about dying for today. You can't just think, â€~I'm going to die anyway,' because that's what's stopping us from moving forward.

~Queen Latifah

To me, hip hop will never be right until female rappers have a stronger voice in it.

~Queen Latifah

Sometimes you do have to bank on yourself. You do have to believe in your ideas enough to really get out there and fight for it despite what people think of some young kids from the hood.

~Queen Latifah

I've loved car racing all my life. I watch NASCAR regularly, and drag racing because we have Raceway Park in New Jersey. I think I got it from my father.

~Queen Latifah

Anyone who knows me knows that I'm way more of a joker than I am a serious person.

~Queen Latifah

To wanna be me is to go through not just the good but the bad. You

wanna share my story identically? Man, you gonna take some lumps.

~Queen Latifah

I feel anger and I feel understanding. It's a difficult position to be in.

~Queen Latifah

When I was growing up, there were so many musicals you could watch. I like the fantasy of musicals and I love music.

~Queen Latifah

I'm probably proudest of being able to lift a lot of us out of the 'hood. That's the biggest thing, that I've been able to employ a lot of people and give them opportunities.

~Queen Latifah

I want to see 10 female rappers getting regular rotation. It can't be all about a man's opinion.

~Queen Latifah

I'm not the type that's going to sit and preach to people if they don't need it just because I've been around the block a few times.

~Queen Latifah

It's not necessarily what a family is typically supposed to look like. But it is what it is. It's about a connection and bond that everyone can identify with.

~Queen Latifah

Award shows, like the Grammys, were tough on us early in hip-hop, not even televising our categories or splitting them up on best male or female or any of that. We had to earn them.

~Queen Latifah

I came from a crew, and to me, all the guys I rapped with were better

than me, so I was surprised when I was the breakout one. It was definitely a cool thing.

~Queen Latifah

I just like ladies who have class... just be yourself and let your personality shine and let your individuality show. To me, that's sexier. A confident woman is a sexy woman, in my opinion

~Queen Latifah

People say I'm going to be the next Oprah. But I say no, because Oprah is still Oprah. I'll be the next me. I feel like there's always a lane for me as long as I'm true to myself.

~Queen Latifah

I have a no-die clause in every movie. The black people can't be dying all the time.

~Queen Latifah

The good thing about movies is that they're subjective. You can connect to different themes depending on your own perspective.

~Queen Latifah

My house borders horse farms, and I can look out my window and see the horses and the new colts. It's really peaceful.

~Queen Latifah

The females don't respect themselves; they only think materialistically. They want money, but they don't think, I'm gonna get this money on my own, they think, I'm gonna get money from this guy.

~Queen Latifah

The movie I've seen a million times is 'Steel Magnolias,' directed by Herbert Ross, starring Sally Field and Julia Roberts.

I feel strongly that women who look like me should feel great. So I am not changing.

~Queen Latifah

[when I'm not working I like to] listen to music, watch something really funny like South Park.

~Queen Latifah

Dolly Parton made me chicken and dumplings. That Tennessee woman can burn some pots! And we know that I am not necessarily shy to a fork!

~Queen Latifah

You can't ask someone who is not making that kind of money to go to the record store and buy an album when someone down the street has the same record with same sound quality for \$5.

~Queen Latifah

I totally want like 18 babies.

~Queen Latifah

We ignore our feelings a lot, I realize. Many of us have to... until they really bite us in the butt.

~Queen Latifah

I have to be realistic about what I can and can't do. So whatever I do has to really be worth it. I like to master the things I do.

~Queen Latifah

[Hiking] is not that crazy, but when you look back and you see that mountain you just climbed, you say, "I can't believe I did that."

~Queen Latifah

The more you push the budgets up, the more you make records cost

\$20, the more you make records last 4 and 5 minutes on the radio.

~Queen Latifah

There are still some places I'd love to visit - Africa, China, Brazil, India. I want to travel the world and experience other cultures and peoples.

~Queen Latifah

I don't feel like I need to share my personal life, and I don't care if people think I'm gay or not. Assume whatever you want. You do it anyway.

~Queen Latifah

Church was a requirement, there was no choice in the matter, so was vacation bible school. Gospel has been in me since I was a kid.

~Queen Latifah

Some people observe life naturally and sometimes you just have to let things out and think about it later.

~Queen Latifah

I am used to being on tours with people who are fantastic performers and I respect them and I love their music. But the bottom line is they got the vision for what we are trying to do.

~Queen Latifah

I'm as involved as I can be. Whenever I'm asked to do something, I always tend to show up.

~Queen Latifah

I need something bigger than myself. And the only thing that can be would be a child. Someone who would help me live even more selflessly.

So often, you don't get that opportunity. You only go over everything once and, the next thing you know, you're on set.

~Queen Latifah

When I'm wearing too-high heels and swaying my hips, I do that Sharon Stone kind of thing - she has the sexiest walk, a New York cool thing that throws you back.

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