

# Rabindranath Tagore

## Quotes

*Inspirational, Heart, Men, Life, Flower, Children, God, World, Song, Joy, Love,  
Giving, Art, Stars, Self, Dark, Night, Light, Country, Dream*

Clouds come floating into my life from other days no longer to shed rain or usher storm but to give colour to my sunset sky.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high Where knowledge is free.

~Rabindranath Tagore

It is very simple to be happy, but it is very difficult to be simple.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Everything comes to us that belongs to us if we create the capacity to receive it.

~Rabindranath Tagore

If you cry because the sun has gone out of your life, your tears will prevent you from seeing the stars.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The most important lesson that man can learn from life, is not that there is pain in this world, but that it is possible for him to transmute it into joy.

~Rabindranath Tagore

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The problem is not how to wipe out all differences, but how to unite with all differences intact.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The one who plants trees, knowing that he will never sit in their shade, has at least started to understand the meaning of life.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The highest education is that which does not merely give us information but makes our life in harmony with all existence.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Reach high, for stars lie hidden in you. Dream deep, for every dream precedes the goal.

~Rabindranath Tagore

You can't cross the sea merely by standing and staring at the water.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Patriotism cannot be our final spiritual shelter; my refuge is humanity. I will not buy glass for the price of diamonds, and I will never allow patriotism to triumph over humanity as long as I live.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The false can never grow into truth by growing in power.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let me light my lamp", says the star, "And never debate if it will help to remove the darkness

~Rabindranath Tagore

Death is not extinguishing the light; it is only putting out the lamp because the dawn has come.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Dark clouds become heaven's flowers when kissed by light.

~Rabindranath Tagore

While God waits for His temple to be built of love, men bring stones.

~Rabindranath Tagore

A lamp can only light another lamp when it continues to burn in its own flame.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love does not claim possession, but gives freedom.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The greatest distance in this World is not that between living and death, it is when I am just before you, and you don't know that I Love You.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Depth of friendship does not depend on length of acquaintance.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Discipline divorced from wisdom is not true discipline, but merely the meaningless following of custom, which is only a disguise for stupidity.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Don't limit a child to your own learning, for he was born in another time.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The earth paints a portrait of the sun at dawn with sunflowers in bloom. Unhappy with the portrait, she erases it and paints it again and again.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love is when the soul starts to sing and the flowers of your life bloom on their own.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love gives beauty to everything it touches.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The main object of teaching is not to give explanations, but to knock at the doors of the mind.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love's gift cannot be given, it waits to be accepted.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love is the only reality and it is not a mere sentiment. It is the ultimate truth that lies at the heart of creation.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let the splendor of diamond, pearl and ruby vanish? Only let this one teardrop, this Taj Mahal, glisten spotlessly bright on the cheek of time, forever and ever.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The Taj Mahal rises above the banks of the river like a solitary tear suspended on the cheek of time.

~Rabindranath Tagore

I am able to love my God because He gives me freedom to deny Him.

~Rabindranath Tagore

If I can't make it through one door, I'll go through another door- or I'll make a door. Something terrific will come no matter how dark the present.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Those who own much have much to fear.

~Rabindranath Tagore

To find God, you must welcome everything.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Most people believe the mind to be a mirror, more or less accurately reflecting the world outside them, not realizing on the contrary that the mind is itself the principal element of creation.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Only in love are unity and duality not in conflict.

~Rabindranath Tagore

I seem to have loved you in numberless forms, numberless times, in life after life, in age after age forever. He who wants to do good, knocks at the gate; He who loves, finds the door open.

~Rabindranath Tagore

We cross infinity with every step; we meet eternity in every second.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The sparrow is sorry for the peacock at the burden of its tail.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Music fills the infinite between two souls. This has been muffled by the mist of our daily habits.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Stray birds of summer come to my window to sing and fly away. And yellow leaves of autumn, which have no songs, flutter and fall there with a sigh.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Life itself is a strange mixture. We have to take it as it is, try to understand it, and then to better it.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The mountain remains unmoved at its seeming defeat by the mist.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Beauty is simply reality seen with the eyes of love

~Rabindranath Tagore

You can't cross a sea by merely staring into the water.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Faith is the bird that feels the light when the dawn is still dark.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Man is worse than an animal when he is an animal.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The stars are not afraid to appear like fireflies.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Set the bird's wings with gold and it will never again soar in the sky.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Love is an endless mystery, because there is no reasonable cause that could explain it.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Do not say, 'It is morning,' and dismiss it with a name of yesterday. See it for the first time as a newborn child that has no name.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The butterfly counts not months but moments, and has time enough.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let your life lightly dance on the edges of Time like dew on the tip of a leaf.

~Rabindranath Tagore

All that is not given is lost.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The small wisdom is like water in a glass: clear, transparent, pure. The great wisdom is like the water in the sea: dark, mysterious, impenetrable.

~Rabindranath Tagore

By plucking her petals, you do not gather the beauty of the flower.

~Rabindranath Tagore

You are invited to the festival of this world and your life is blessed.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Only in silence I find myself. Life in the city is so hectic that you lose the right perspective. It's important to know that our biggest resources are in our heart.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Trees are the earth's endless effort to speak to the listening heaven.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Wrong is wrong only when you are at liberty to choose.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let my doing nothing when I have nothing to do, become untroubled in its depth of peace, like the evening in the seashore when the water is silent.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The flower which is single need not envy the thorns that are numerous.

~Rabindranath Tagore



Let us not pray to be sheltered from dangers but to be fearless when facing them.

~Rabindranath Tagore

It is no easy task to lead men. But it is easy enough to drive them.

~Rabindranath Tagore

To be outspoken is easy when you do not wait to speak the complete truth.

~Rabindranath Tagore

When I stand before thee at the day's end, thou shalt see my scars and know that I had my wounds and also my healing.

~Rabindranath Tagore

He who is too busy doing good finds no time to be good.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Whatever we treasure for ourselves separates us from others; our possessions are our limitations.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The weak can be terrible because they try furiously to appear strong.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The pious sectarian is proud because he is confident of his right of possession in God. The man of devotion is meek because he is conscious of God's right of love over his life and soul.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Whether joy or sorrow, pain or pleasure; whatsoever may befall thee, accept it serenely with an unvanquished heart.

~Rabindranath Tagore

A mind all logic is like a knife all blade. It makes the hand bleed that uses it.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Only those of tranquil minds, and none else, can attain abiding joy, by realizing within their souls the Being who manifests one essence in a multiplicity of forms.

~Rabindranath Tagore

What you are you do not see, what you see is your shadow.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The real friendship is like fluorescence, it shines better when everything has darken.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let life be beautiful like summer flowers and death like autumn leaves.

~Rabindranath Tagore

My eyes have seen much, but they are not weary. My ears have heard much, but they thirst for more.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Men can only think. Women have a way of understanding without thinking. Woman was created out of God's own fancy. Man, He had to hammer into shape.

~Rabindranath Tagore

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Perhaps the crescent moon smiles in doubt at being told that it is a fragment awaiting perfection.

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Facts are many, but the truth is one.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Those who think to reach God by running away from the world, when and where do they expect to meet him? We are reaching him here in this very spot, now at this very moment.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Not hammer-strokes, but dance of the water, sings the pebbles into perfection.

~Rabindranath Tagore

We are hidden in ourselves, like a truth hidden in isolated facts. When we know that this One in us is One in all, then our truth is revealed.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Beauty is truth's smile when she beholds her own face in a perfect mirror.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The newer people of this modern age are more eager to amass than to realize.

~Rabindranath Tagore

In Art, man reveals himself and not his objects.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Let my thoughts come to you, when I am gone, like the afterglow of sunset at the margin of starry silence.

~Rabindranath Tagore

The roots below the earth claim no rewards for making the branches fruitful.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Compliments win friends, honesty loses them.

~Rabindranath Tagore

If you want to know India, study Vivekananda. In him everything is positive and nothing negative.

~Rabindranath Tagore

We manage to swallow flesh, only because we do not think of the cruel and sinful thing we do.

~Rabindranath Tagore

Overstraining is the enemy of accomplishment. Calm strength that arises from a deep and inexhaustible source is what brings success.

~Rabindranath Tagore

A dewdrop is a perfect integrity that has no filial memory of its parentage.

~Rabindranath Tagore

We gain freedom when we have paid the full price.

~Rabindranath Tagore

It is in the very heart of our activity that we search for our goal.

~Rabindranath Tagore

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