

Rene Char Quotes

*Magic, Heart, Men, Finest, Should, Reality, Strangeness, Knives, Realization,
Attention, Really Great, Authority, Dare, Hands, Believe, Luck, Forgiveness,
Winter, Writing, Virgins*

Trust firmly in your luck, cling to your happiness, and dare to take risks.

~Rene Char

What comes into the world to disturb nothing merits neither attention nor patience

~Rene Char

Why did I become a writer? A bird's feather on my windowpane in winter and all at once there arose in my heart a battle of embers never to subside again.

~Rene Char

Each act is virgin, even the repeated ones.

~Rene Char

Man is able to do what he is unable to imagine. His head trails a wake through the galaxy of the absurd.

~Rene Char

A poet should leave traces of his passage, not proofs. Traces alone engender dreams.

~Rene Char

Develop your legitimate strangeness.

~Rene Char

How can we live without the unknown before us?

~Rene Char

What can be seductive about the eternal nothing is that the finest day is indifferently this one or any other like it.

~Rene Char

How did writing come to me? Like bird's down on my windowpane, in winter. Just then there rose in the heart a struggle of firebrands, which has, still now, not ended.

~Rene Char

Be gful to the man who cares nothing for your remorse. You are his equal.

~Rene Char

I believe in the magic and authority of words.

~Rene Char

Imagination consists in expelling from reality several incomplete persons, and then using the magic and subversive powers of desire to bring them back in the form of one entirely satisfying presence.

~Rene Char

A poem is the realization of love. . . .

~Rene Char

To be a poet is to have an appetite for a certain anxiety which, when tasted among the swirling sum of things existent or forfeit, causes, as the taste dies, joy.

~Rene Char

For an inheritance to be really great, the hand of the defunct must not be seen.

~Rene Char

With my teethI have seized lifeUpon the knife of my youth.With my lips today,With my lips alone...

~Rene Char

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