

# Robert Blair

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Courage, Pride, Numbers, Fear, Action, Return, Nature, Sweet, Speaks Out,  
Beauty*

Friendship! Mysterious cement of the soul, Sweet'ner of life, and solder of society.

~Robert Blair

The good he scorn'd Stalk'd off reluctant, like an ill-us'd ghost, Not to return; or if it did, its visits Like those of angels, short, and far between.

~Robert Blair

How blunt are all the arrows of thy quiver in comparison with those of guilt.

~Robert Blair

Affectation is certain deformity; by forming themselves on fantastic models, the young begin with being ridiculous, and often end in being vicious.

~Robert Blair

The grave, dread thing! Men shiver when thou'rt named: Nature appalled, Shakes off her wonted firmness.

~Robert Blair

The tap'ring pyramid, the Egyptian's pride, And wonder of the world, whose spiky top Has wounded the thick cloud.

~Robert Blair

Our time is fixed, and all our days are number'd; How long, how short, we know not:â€”this we know, Duty requires we calmly wait the summons, Nor dare to stir till Heaven shall give permission.

~Robert Blair

How shocking must thy summons be, O death, to him that is at ease in his possessions! who, counting on long years of pleasure here, is quite unfurnished for the world to come.

~Robert Blair

Beauty! thou pretty plaything! dear deceit, That steals so softly o'er the stripling's heart, And gives it a new pulse unknown before!

~Robert Blair

Whistling aloud to bear his courage up.

~Robert Blair

When it draws near to witching time of night.

~Robert Blair

The common damn'd shun their society.

~Robert Blair

Action, so to speak, is the genius of nature.

~Robert Blair

Throughout the whole vegetable, sensible, and rational world, whatever makes progress towards maturity, as soon as it has passed that point, begins to verge towards decay.

~Robert Blair

Its visits, like those of angels, short, and far between.

~Robert Blair

Of joys departed, not to return, how painful the remembrance

~Robert Blair

But if there be an hereafter, And that there is, conscience, uninfluenc'd And suffer'd to speak out, tells every man, Then must it be an awful thing to die; More horrid yet to die by one's own hand.

~Robert Blair

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