

# Ronald Reagan Quotes

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Thinking, Children, Politics, Political, Freedom, Years, Military, Mean, Peace,  
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Live simply, love generously, care deeply, speak kindly, leave the rest to God.

~Ronald Reagan

There is no limit to the amount of good you can do if you don't care who gets the credit.

~Ronald Reagan

The greatest leader is not necessarily the one who does the greatest things. He is the one that gets the people to do the greatest things.

~Ronald Reagan

A nation that cannot control its borders is not a nation.

~Ronald Reagan

We must reject the idea that every time a law's broken, society is guilty rather than the lawbreaker. It is time to restore the American precept that each individual is accountable for his actions.

~Ronald Reagan

If more government is the answer, then it was a really stupid question.

~Ronald Reagan

Freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We didn't pass it to our children in the bloodstream. It must be fought for, protected, and handed on for them to do the same.

~Ronald Reagan

It's not that liberals aren't smart, it's just that so much of what they know isn't so

~Ronald Reagan

I have wondered at times what the Ten Commandments would have looked like if Moses had run them through the US Congress.

~Ronald Reagan

I've noticed that everyone who is for abortion has already been born.

~Ronald Reagan

If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under.

~Ronald Reagan

Too often character assassination has replaced debate in principle here in Washington. Destroy someone's reputation, and you don't have to talk about what he stands for.

~Ronald Reagan

Evil is powerless if the good are unafraid.

~Ronald Reagan

It's hard, when you're up to your armpits in alligators, to remember you came here to drain the swamp.

~Ronald Reagan

Government is like a baby. An alimentary canal with a big appetite at one end and no sense of responsibility at the other.

~Ronald Reagan

Republicans believe every day is the Fourth of July, but the democrats believe every day is April 15.

~Ronald Reagan

The most terrifying words in the English language are: I'm from the government and I'm here to help.

~Ronald Reagan

We must be cautious in claiming God is on our side. I think the real

question we must answer is, are we on His side?

~Ronald Reagan

The future doesn't belong to the light-hearted. It belongs to the brave.

~Ronald Reagan

Without God, there is no virtue because there is no prompting of the conscience... without God, there is a coarsening of the society; without God, democracy will not and cannot long endure.

~Ronald Reagan

There is no greater happiness for a man than approaching a door at the end of a day knowing someone on the other side of that door is waiting for the sound of his footsteps.

~Ronald Reagan

Either you will control your government, or government will control you.

~Ronald Reagan

When you can't make them see the light, make them feel the heat.

~Ronald Reagan

Within the covers of the Bible are the answers for all the problems men face.

~Ronald Reagan

How do you tell a communist? Well, it's someone who reads Marx and Lenin. And how do you tell an anti-Communist? It's someone who understands Marx and Lenin.

~Ronald Reagan

I know in my heart that man is good. That what is right will always eventually triumph. And there's purpose and worth to each and every life.

~Ronald Reagan

We can't help everyone, but everyone can help someone.

~Ronald Reagan

I believe now, as I always have, that America's strength is in 'We the People.'

~Ronald Reagan

Peace is not absence of conflict, it is the ability to handle conflict by peaceful means.

~Ronald Reagan

The person who agrees with you 80 percent of the time is a friend and an ally - not a 20 percent traitor.

~Ronald Reagan

Terrorism is the preferred weapon of weak and evil men.

~Ronald Reagan

A hippie is someone who looks like Tarzan, walks like Jane and smells like Cheetah.

~Ronald Reagan

The trouble with our Liberal friends is not that they're ignorant; it's just that they know so much that isn't so.

~Ronald Reagan

Approximately 80% of our air pollution stems from hydrocarbons released by vegetation, so let's not go overboard in setting and enforcing tough emission standards from man-made sources.

~Ronald Reagan

A recession is when your neighbor loses his job. A depression is when

you lose yours.

~Ronald Reagan

All great change in America begins at the dinner table.

~Ronald Reagan

Government's first duty is to protect the people, not run their lives.

~Ronald Reagan

If we lose freedom here, there is no place to escape to. This is the last stand on earth.

~Ronald Reagan

Some people wonder all their lives if they've made a difference. The Marines don't have that problem.

~Ronald Reagan

Mr. Gorbachev, tear down this wall!

~Ronald Reagan

Welfare's purpose should be to eliminate, as far as possible, the need for its own existence.

~Ronald Reagan

If not us, who? And if not now, when?

~Ronald Reagan

We should measure welfare's success by how many people leave welfare, not by how many are added.

~Ronald Reagan

Of the many influences that have shaped the United States into a distinctive nation and people, none may be said to be more fundamental and enduring than the Bible.

~Ronald Reagan

I want you to know that also I will not make age an issue of this campaign. I am not going to exploit, for political purposes, my opponent's youth and inexperience.

~Ronald Reagan

Violence has been Nicaragua's most important export to the world.

~Ronald Reagan

It doesn't do good to open doors for someone who doesn't have the price to get in. If he has the price, he may not need the laws. There is no law saying the Negro has to live in Harlem or Watts.

~Ronald Reagan

It's true hard work never killed anybody, but I figure, why take the chance?

~Ronald Reagan

God, the source of all knowledge, should never have been expelled from our children's classrooms.

~Ronald Reagan

It has been said that politics is the second oldest profession. I have learned that it bears a striking resemblance to the first.

~Ronald Reagan

Greatest gift is human life and that we have a duty to protect the life of an unborn child.

~Ronald Reagan

There are no constraints on the human mind, no walls around the human spirit, no barriers to our progress except those we ourselves erect.

~Ronald Reagan

You can tell a lot about a fellow's character by his way of eating jellybeans.

~Ronald Reagan

Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it.

~Ronald Reagan

Freedom prospers when religion is vibrant and the rule of law under God is acknowledged.

~Ronald Reagan

Today we did what we had to do. They counted on America to be passive. They counted wrong.

~Ronald Reagan

Good citizenship and defending democracy means living up to the ideals and values that make this country great.

~Ronald Reagan

We maintain the peace through our strength; weakness only invites aggression.

~Ronald Reagan

We fought a war on poverty, and poverty won

~Ronald Reagan

Entrepreneurs and their small enterprises are responsible for almost all the economic growth in the United States.

~Ronald Reagan



Wherever a beautiful soul has been there is a trail of beautiful memories.

~Ronald Reagan

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The time has come to turn to God and reassert our trust in Him for the healing of America - our country is in need of and ready for a spiritual renewal.

~Ronald Reagan

My fellow Americans, I am pleased to tell you I just signed legislation which outlaws Russia forever. The bombing begins in five minutes.

~Ronald Reagan

Are you better off today than you were four years ago?

~Ronald Reagan

I thought the function of the government was to promote the general welfare, not to provide it.

~Ronald Reagan

Many a man has failed because he had his wishbone where his backbone should have been.

~Ronald Reagan

If a tax hike makes it to my desk, I'll veto it in less time than it takes Vanna White to turn the letters V-E-T-O!

~Ronald Reagan

Government exists to protect us from each other. Where government has gone beyond its limits is in deciding to protect us from ourselves.

~Ronald Reagan

My philosophy of life is that if we make up our mind what we are going to make of our lives, then work hard toward that goal, we never lose - somehow we win out.

~Ronald Reagan

We believe faith and freedom must be our guiding stars, for they show us truth, they make us brave, give us hope, and leave us wiser than we were.

~Ronald Reagan

All the waste in a year from a nuclear power plant can be stored under a desk.

~Ronald Reagan

Since I came to the White House, I got two hearing aids, a colon operation, skin cancer, a prostate operation, and I was shot. The damn thing is, I've never felt better in my life.

~Ronald Reagan

Medicare will usher in federal programs that will invade every area of freedom as we have known it in this country.

~Ronald Reagan

Some years ago, the federal government declared war on poverty, and poverty won.

~Ronald Reagan

We were poor when I was young but the difference was that the government didn't come around telling you you were poor.

~Ronald Reagan

We who live in free market societies believe that growth and prosperity, and ultimately human fulfillment are created from the bottom up, not the government down.

~Ronald Reagan

Preservation of our environment is not a liberal or conservative challenge, it's common sense.

~Ronald Reagan

But the simple truth is that we've lost control of our own borders, and no nation can do that and survive.

~Ronald Reagan

If some among you fear taking a stand because you are afraid of reprisals from customers, clients, or even government, recognize that you are just feeding the crocodile hoping he'll eat you last.

~Ronald Reagan

We are never defeated unless we give up on God.

~Ronald Reagan

Concentrated power has always been the enemy of liberty.

~Ronald Reagan

There are no great limits to growth because there are no limits of human intelligence, imagination, and wonder.

~Ronald Reagan

Stick to your dreams and determine that you're going to make them come true.

~Ronald Reagan

Money can't buy happiness, but it will certainly get you a better class of memories.

~Ronald Reagan

Americans are hungry to feel proud and patriotic again.

~Ronald Reagan

A truly successful army is one that, because of its strength and ability and dedication, will not be called upon to fight, for no one will dare to provoke it.

~Ronald Reagan

If we get the federal government out of the classroom, maybe we'll get God back in.

~Ronald Reagan

Status quo, you know, is Latin for 'the mess we're in'.

~Ronald Reagan

Surround yourself with the best people you can find, delegate authority, and don't interfere as long as the policy you've decided upon is being carried out.

~Ronald Reagan

Individual liberty depends upon keeping government under control.

~Ronald Reagan

The nine most terrifying words in the English language are "I'm from the government, and I'm here to help."

~Ronald Reagan

Inside the Bible's pages lie the answers to all the problems that mankind has ever known. I hope Americans will read and study the Bible.

~Ronald Reagan

We could say the government spend like drunken sailors, but that would be unfair to drunken sailors, because the sailors are spending their own money.

~Ronald Reagan

The American dream is not that every man must be level with every other man. The American dream is that every man must be free to become whatever God intends he should become.

~Ronald Reagan

The most confident person in any transaction ALWAYS introduces themselves first.

~Ronald Reagan

Before I refuse to take your questions, I have an opening statement.

~Ronald Reagan

Government is not the solution, but rather the cause of our problems.

~Ronald Reagan

I'm not a politician by profession. I am a citizen who decided I had to be personally involved.

~Ronald Reagan

The national Democratic leadership is going so far left, they've left America. Don't let them bury the American dream in their graveyard of gloom and envy.

~Ronald Reagan

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