

# Rusty Schweickart Quotes

*Impact, Earth, Mean, Asteroids, Would Be, Space, Technology, People,  
Survival, Art, Talking, Future, Appreciate, Needs, Letting Go, Support, Able,  
Save A Life, Order, Accepted*

In the short term, some deadly virus might be more important, but in the long run there is hardly anything more important than asteroids.

~Rusty Schweickart

You almost wish you could turn off the COMM and just appreciate the deafening quiet.

~Rusty Schweickart

So I just let go with one hand, and just sort of swung around, looked at the Earth below and the black space above and the sun over my shoulder. And, I mean, it was this incredible, spectacular view.

~Rusty Schweickart

We are now able to very slightly and subtly reshape the solar system in order to enhance human survival.

~Rusty Schweickart

We not only need to train people, we also need to develop deflection technologies.

~Rusty Schweickart

We can both prevent asteroid impacts and address climate change. It's not either-or.

~Rusty Schweickart

Anytime we can save lives or prevent the destruction of property, we should do it.

~Rusty Schweickart

While we didn't know the dinosaurs personally, we do know that they were wiped out by an asteroid impact.

~Rusty Schweickart

Journalists often put things into either-or scenarios.

~Rusty Schweickart

It is not enough to do a desktop exercise of a Beethoven symphony. You need to practice with an orchestra. The musicians need to read the notes. Otherwise it will be a disaster.

~Rusty Schweickart

I am interested in climate change and other topics too. But this thing is so huge, in the worst case we are talking about the end of our civilization.

~Rusty Schweickart

There's no accepted global policy on what to do about asteroid impacts.

~Rusty Schweickart

An asteroid can literally destroy 80 or 90 percent of the species that are alive on Earth. These are big events. I mean, this is called extinction.

~Rusty Schweickart

It would take an extremely large spacecraft to deflect a large asteroid that would be headed directly for the Earth.

~Rusty Schweickart

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