

# Samuel Rutherford Quotes

*Heaven, Jesus, Christian, Christ, Soul, Suffering, Heart, Thinking, Flower,  
Children, Night, May, Grace, Winter, Lord, Crosses, Sweet, Wind, Prayer, Home*

Believe God's love and power more than you believe your own feelings and experiences. Your rock is Christ, and it is not the rock that ebbs and flows but the sea.

~Samuel Rutherford

They lose nothing who gain Christ.

~Samuel Rutherford

Jesus Christ came into my prison cell last night, and every stone flashed like a ruby.

~Samuel Rutherford

O my Lord Jesus Christ, if I could be in heaven without Thee, it would be hell; and if I could be in hell, and have Thee still, it would be heaven to me, for Thou are all the heaven I want.

~Samuel Rutherford

Let your children be as so many flowers, borrowed from God. If the flowers die or wither, thank God for a summer loan of them.

~Samuel Rutherford

In our fluctuations of feelings, it is well to remember that Jesus admits no change in His affections; your heart is not the compass Jesus saileth by.

~Samuel Rutherford

I have been benefited by praying for others; for by making an errand to God for them I have gotten something for myself.

~Samuel Rutherford

Humility is a strange flower; it grows best in winter weather, and under storms of affliction.

~Samuel Rutherford

I pray God that I may never find my will again. Oh, that Christ would subject my will to His, and trample it under His feet.

~Samuel Rutherford

No pen, no words, no image can express to you the loveliness of my only, only Lord Jesus.

~Samuel Rutherford

The secret formula of the saints: When I am in the cellar of affliction, I look for the Lord's choicest wines.

~Samuel Rutherford

Our little time of suffering is not worthy of our first night's welcome home to Heaven.

~Samuel Rutherford

Christ chargeth me to believe His daylight at midnight.

~Samuel Rutherford

Grace grows best in winter.

~Samuel Rutherford

Why should I tremble at the plough of my Lord, that maketh deep furrows on my soul? I know He is no idle husbandman, He purposeth a crop.

~Samuel Rutherford

Set not your heart upon the world, since God hath not made it your portion.

~Samuel Rutherford

My desire is that my Lord would give me broader and deeper thoughts, to feed myself with wondering at His love.

~Samuel Rutherford

If Christ Jesus be the periode, the end and the lodging-home at the end of your journey, there is no fear ye go to a friend . . . ye may look death in the face with joy.

~Samuel Rutherford

My faith has no bed to sleep upon but omnipotence.

~Samuel Rutherford

Set no time to the Lord the creator of time, for His time is always best.

~Samuel Rutherford

To believe Christ's cross to be a friend, as he himself is a friend, is also a special act of faith

~Samuel Rutherford

Praise God for the hammer, the file, and the furnace. The hammer molds us, the file sharpens us, and the fire tempers us.

~Samuel Rutherford

After winter comes the summer. After night comes the dawn. And after every storm, there comes clear, open skies.

~Samuel Rutherford

Think it not hard if you get not your will, nor your delights in this life; God will have you to rejoice in nothing but himself.

~Samuel Rutherford

It is certain that this is not only good which the Almighty has done, but that it is best; He hath reckoned all your steps to heaven.

~Samuel Rutherford

Show yourself a Christian by suffering without murmuring. In patience possess your soul - they lose nothing who gain Christ.

~Samuel Rutherford

Grace tried is better than grace, and more than grace; it is glory in its infancy

~Samuel Rutherford

When I look to my guiltiness, I see that my salvation is one of our Saviour's greatest miracles, either in heaven or earth.

~Samuel Rutherford

How soon would faith freeze without a cross!

~Samuel Rutherford

Build your nest in no tree here...for the Lord of the forest has condemned the whole woods to be demolished.

~Samuel Rutherford

I wonder many times that ever a child of God should have a sad heart, considering what their Lord is preparing for them.

~Samuel Rutherford

Verily, we know not what an evil it is to indulge ourselves, and to make an idol of our will.

~Samuel Rutherford

There is nothing that will make you a Christian indeed, but a taste of the sweetness of Christ.

~Samuel Rutherford

Christ has no velvet crosses.

~Samuel Rutherford

The night will close the door & fasten my anchor within the veil and I shall go away to sleep.

~Samuel Rutherford

Many are friends to the success of reformation, not to reformation.

~Samuel Rutherford

Let us be faithful and care for our own part, which is to do and suffer for Him, and lay Christ's part on Himself, and leave it there; duties are ours, events are the Lord's.

~Samuel Rutherford

You will not be carried to Heaven lying at ease upon a feather bed.

~Samuel Rutherford

Make not Christ a liar in distrusting His promise.

~Samuel Rutherford

Since He looked upon me my heart is not my own. He hath runaway to heaven with it.

~Samuel Rutherford

The bloom fell off my branches and joy did cast off its flower

~Samuel Rutherford

The good Husbandman may pluck His rose & gather in His lily.

~Samuel Rutherford

It is in some respect greater love in Jesus to sanctify than to justify, for He maketh us most like Himself, in His own essential portraiture and image in sanctifying us.

~Samuel Rutherford

The cross of Christ is the sweetest burden that I ever bore; it is such a burden as wings are to a bird, or sails to a ship, to carry me forward to my harbor.

~Samuel Rutherford

The weightiest end of the cross of Christ that is laid upon you, lieth upon your strong Savior.

~Samuel Rutherford

We are as near to heaven as we are far from self, and far from the love of a sinful world.

~Samuel Rutherford

Every day we may see some new thing in Christ. His love hath neither brim nor bottom.

~Samuel Rutherford

There is no sweeter fellowship with Christ than to bring our wounds and our sores to him.

~Samuel Rutherford

No created powers can mar our Lord Jesus' music, nor spill our song of joy. Let us then be glad and rejoice in the salvation of our Lord

~Samuel Rutherford

Grace will ever speak for itself and be fruitful in well-doing; the sanctified, cross is a fruitful tree.

~Samuel Rutherford

After every storm, there comes clear open skies.

~Samuel Rutherford

Be not cast down. If ye saw Him who is standing on the shore, holding out His arms to welcome you to land, ye would wade, not only through a sea of wrongs, but through hell itself to be with Him.

~Samuel Rutherford

I hang by a thread, but it is (if I may so speak) of Christ's spinning

~Samuel Rutherford

Heaven is a house full of miracles; yea, of spectacles and images of free grace.

~Samuel Rutherford

Grow as a palm-tree on God's Mount Zion; howbeit shaken with winds, yet the root is fast.

~Samuel Rutherford

My dear brother, let God make of you what He will, He will end all with consolation, and shall make glory out of your suffering.

~Samuel Rutherford

Through many afflictions we must enter into the kingdom of God ... It is folly to think to steal to heaven with a whole skin.

~Samuel Rutherford

I live no more, but Christ liveth in me!

~Samuel Rutherford

Take Christ in with you under your yoke, and let patience have her perfect work.

~Samuel Rutherford

Millions of hells of sinners cannot come near to exhaust infinite grace.

~Samuel Rutherford

Christ seeketh your help in your place; give Him your hand.

~Samuel Rutherford

There is nothing left to us but to see how we may be approved of Him, and how we may roll the weight of our weak souls in well-doing upon Him, who is God omnipotent.

~Samuel Rutherford



Live on Christ's love while ye are here, and all the way.

~Samuel Rutherford

He who duly esteemeth Christ, is a noble bidder, and so a noble and liberal buyer.

~Samuel Rutherford

The hope of heaven under troubles is like wind and sails to the soul.

~Samuel Rutherford

I assure you by the Lord, your adversaries shall get no advantage against you, except you sin, and offend your Lord, in your sufferings.

~Samuel Rutherford

I seldom made an errand to God for another but I got something for myself.

~Samuel Rutherford

Faith's speculations to the worst and hardest, in point of resolution, are sweet.

~Samuel Rutherford

You must take a house beside the Physician. It will be a miracle if ye be the first sick that Christ hath put away uncured.

~Samuel Rutherford

Well's them who are under crosses, and Christ says to them, "Half Mine."

~Samuel Rutherford

Those who can take that crabbed tree handsomely upon their back, and fasten it on cannily, shall find it such a burden as wings unto a bird, or sails to a ship.

~Samuel Rutherford

Every man by nature is a freeman born; by nature no man cometh out of the womb under any civil subjection to king, prince, or judge.

~Samuel Rutherford

O, what I owe to the file, the hammer, and the furnace of the Lord Jesus! I know that he is no idle husbandman - he purposes a crop.

~Samuel Rutherford

It is comfort to the believer that all things are possible.

~Samuel Rutherford

My dear friend, venture to take the wind on your face for Christ.

~Samuel Rutherford

Faint not; the miles to heaven are but few and short.

~Samuel Rutherford

We take nothing to the grave with us, but a good or evil conscience... It is true, terrors of conscience cast us down; and yet without terrors of conscience we cannot be raised up again.

~Samuel Rutherford

I bless the Lord that all our troubles come through Christ's fingers, and that He casteth sugar among them and casteth in some ounce withts of heaven and of the spirit of glory in our cup.

~Samuel Rutherford

Desires going before conversion are not such as can calm a storming conscience.

~Samuel Rutherford

The devil is but a whetstone to sharpen the faith and patience of the saints.-

~Samuel Rutherford

I see Christ's love is so kingly, that it will not abide a marrow it must have a throne all alone in the soul.

~Samuel Rutherford

Welcome, welcome, cross of Christ, if Christ be with it.

~Samuel Rutherford

If ye never had a sick night and a pained soul for sin, ye have not yet lighted upon Christ.

~Samuel Rutherford

I find my Lord Jesus cometh not in the precise way that I lay wait for Him. He hath a manner of His own. Oh, how high are His ways above my ways

~Samuel Rutherford

Your heart is not the compass that God steers by.

~Samuel Rutherford

I had but one joy, the apple of the eye of my delights , to preach Christ my Lord

~Samuel Rutherford

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