

Sonia Johnson Quotes

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Change*

We must remember that one determined person can make a significant difference, and that a small group of determined people can change the course of history.

~Sonia Johnson

It's only when we have nothing else to hold onto that we're willing to try something very audacious and scary.

~Sonia Johnson

Freedom is necessary for honesty, honesty for integrity, integrity for power, power for creativity, and all of them for intimacy.

~Sonia Johnson

Women have to risk civil disobedience for their rights.

~Sonia Johnson

Women cannot serve two masters at once who are urgently beaming antithetical orders.... Either we believe in patriarchy the rule of men over women - or we believe in equality.

~Sonia Johnson

So long as we think dugout canoes are the only possibility-all that is real or can be real-we will never see the ship, we will never feel the free wind blow.

~Sonia Johnson

We don't need someone to show us the ropes. We are the ones we've been waiting for. Deep inside us we know the feelings we need to guide us. Our task is to learn to trust our inner knowing.

~Sonia Johnson

The mid-life crisis hits men harder than women.

~Sonia Johnson

I like to remind people what radical means -- 'at the root of things.' It shouldn't be considered a pejorative. There isn't a great name out of history you can pick who wasn't 'radical.'

~Sonia Johnson

Language, as symbol, determines much of the nature and quality of our experience.

~Sonia Johnson

Like the one-tenth of our brain that we currently use, I think now that most if not all of us have access to about one-tenth of our possible feelings.

~Sonia Johnson

I came from the most orthodox background you could ask for.

~Sonia Johnson

A friend said to me, 'Be glad for your troubles - they strengthen you.' Well, if that's the truth, I'm going to be so strong they'll have to beat me to death!

~Sonia Johnson

How desperately we wish to maintain our trust in those we love! In the face of everything, we try to find reasons to trust. Because losing faith is worse than falling out of love.

~Sonia Johnson

What we resist persists.

~Sonia Johnson

Some people always assume that if you mention a problem, you caused it.

~Sonia Johnson

The guiding principle of my life, 'the means are the ends,' has taught me that our participation in a corrupt system facilitates it and corrupts and therefore defeats us.

~Sonia Johnson

As we do at such times I turned on my automatic pilot and went through the motions of normalcy on the outside, so that I could concentrate all my powers on surviving the near-mortal wound inside.

~Sonia Johnson

Sometimes I think we can tell how important it is to risk by how dangerous it is to do so.

~Sonia Johnson

people are strong despite suffering, not because of it.

~Sonia Johnson

What we have most to fear is failure of the heart.

~Sonia Johnson

In our home we grew up thinking we were Mormons first and human beings second.

~Sonia Johnson

It's funny how heterosexuals have lives and the rest of us have "lifestyles."

~Sonia Johnson

Somehow I evolved into a person who ceased to ask permission.

~Sonia Johnson

All bonafide revolutions are of necessity revolutions of the spirit.

~Sonia Johnson

The church belongs to its hierarchy, which is men in power. Those outside the hierarchy, and especially women, are at best only renters and at worst squatters in religious territory.

~Sonia Johnson

I'm one of the few people in this world who can do anything I choose. I can't tell you how good I'm feeling.

~Sonia Johnson

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