Ted Koppel Quotes

People, Thinking, Strong, Jobs, Terrorism, Years, Isis, Perspective, Giving, Two, Where You Are In Life, Long, Territory, Past, Where You Are, President, Motivational, Special, Interviews, Sinai In the days of Caesar, kings had fools and jesters. Now network presidents have anchormen.

~Ted Koppel

Pessimists calculate the odds. Optimists believe they can overcome them.

~Ted Koppel

Our society finds truth too strong a medicine to digest undiluted. In its purest form, truth is not a polite tap on the shoulder; it is a howling reproach.

~Ted Koppel

It becomes increasingly easy, as you get older, to drown in nostalgia. ~Ted Koppel

Set your sights beyond what you can see. There is true majesty in the concept of an unseen power which can neither be measured nor weighed.

~Ted Koppel

There's harmony and inner peace to be found in following a moral compass that points in the same direction regardless of fashion or trend.

~Ted Koppel

There is no more respected or influential forum in the field of journalism than the New York Times. I look forward, with great anticipation, to contributing to its op-ed page

~Ted Koppel

You can almost measure where you are in life by the degree to which you have begun looking back rather than ahead.

What Moses brought down from Mt. Sinai were not the Ten Suggestions, they are Commandments. Are, not were. ~Ted Koppel

To face despair and not give in to it, that's courage. ~Ted Koppel

If we're able to identify our own ignorance, we can identify someone else's expertise. We learn how to listen to each other. And that is the foundation of human understanding.

~Ted Koppel

People shouldn't expect the mass media to do investigative stories. That job belongs to the 'fringe' media.

~Ted Koppel

Journalism has become a sort of competitive screeching: what is trivial but noisy and immediate takes precedence over important matters that develop over time.

~Ted Koppel

There is something very very special, universal and easily identifiable among all Jews; it is beyond territory, it is something we all have in common

~Ted Koppel

Well, Keith Alexander, the former director of the NSA wants to say every company in the United States falls under one of two categories, those that have been hacked and those that don't yet know it. ~Ted Koppel

History is a tool used by politicians to justify their intentions.

The responsibility that I feel is to do as good a job as a journalist as I can possibly do.

~Ted Koppel

I have been an unabashed fan of NPR for many years, and have stolen untold excellent ideas from its programming.

~Ted Koppel

Emotions get in the way but they don't pay me to start crying at the loss of 269 lives. They pay me to put some perspective on the situation. ~Ted Koppel

And there will continue to be a specific threat, and there will continue to be terrorism, as there has been for as long as human history exists. ~Ted Koppel

My function is, as objectively and accurately as I can, to present reality to people out there, and doing that as quickly as we do is quite difficult enough, thank you.

~Ted Koppel

Terrorism is simply the weapon by which the weak engage the strong. ~Ted Koppel

I have the necessary lack of tact.

~Ted Koppel

But the irony is they think they're being tough on ISIS and Trump thinks he's being tough on ISIS. Senator Rubio in his interview with you touched on it very, very lightly.

~Ted Koppel

Going after ISIS, it's beautiful, I like it.

Would anyone else like to say anything nice about women?

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