

# William Lloyd Garrison Quotes

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Revenge, Principles, Tyrants, Forever, Mean, May, Hands, Fire, Giving,  
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Enslave the liberty of but one human being and the liberties of the world are put in peril.

~William Lloyd Garrison

There must be no compromise with slavery - none whatever. Nothing is gained, everything is lost, by subordinating principle to expedience.

~William Lloyd Garrison

I will be as harsh as truth, and uncompromising as justice... I am in earnest, I will not equivocate, I will not excuse, I will not retreat a single inch, and I will be heard.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Wherever there is a human being, I see God-given rights inherent in that being, whatever may be the sex or complexion.

~William Lloyd Garrison

With reasonable men, I will reason; with humane men I will plead; but to tyrants I will give no quarter, nor waste arguments where they will certainly be lost.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Everyone should be treated fairly no matter what they look like.

~William Lloyd Garrison

No man shall rule over me with my consent. I will rule over no man.

~William Lloyd Garrison

I have a need to be all on fire, for I have mountains of ice about me to melt.

~William Lloyd Garrison

The compact which exists between the North and the South is a covenant with death and an agreement with hell.

~William Lloyd Garrison

We may be personally defeated, but our principles never!

~William Lloyd Garrison

You can not possibly have a broader basis for government than that which includes all the people, with all their rights in their hands, and with an equal power to maintain their rights.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Are right and wrong convertible terms, dependant upon popular opinion?

~William Lloyd Garrison

And now let me give the sentiment which has been, and ever will be, the governing passion of my soul: 'Liberty for each, for all, and forever!'

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The success of any great moral enterprise does not depend upon numbers.

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That which is not just is not law.

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In firing his gun, John Brown has merely told what time of day it is. It is high noon.

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Since the creation of the world there has been no tyrant like Intemperance, and no slaves so cruelly treated as his.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Our country is the world-our countrymen are all mankind.

~William Lloyd Garrison

A man's country is the world.

~William Lloyd Garrison

The apathy of the people is enough to make every statue leap from its pedestal and hasten the resurrection of the dead.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Let Southern oppressors tremble-let their secret abettors tremble-let their Northern apologists tremble-let all the enemies of the persecuted blacks tremble.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Gradualism in theory is perpetuity in practice.

~William Lloyd Garrison

I am aware that many object to the severity of my language; but is there not cause for severity?

~William Lloyd Garrison

In proportion as we perceive and embrace the truth do we become just, heroic, magnanimous, divine.

~William Lloyd Garrison

Slavery will not be overthrown without excitement, a most tremendous excitement.

~William Lloyd Garrison

The Sabbath, as now recognized and enforced, is one of the main pillars of Priestcraft and Superstition, and the stronghold of a merely ceremonial Religion.

~William Lloyd Garrison

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