

QUOTATION COLLECTION 1

I would rather live my life as if there is a God, and die to find out there isn't, than to live my life as if there isn't a God, and die to find out there is – Author unknown

Tears that wash our eyes now and then clean out the blind spots and sharpen our focus on life – Paul Spite

There are enough voices telling us we are worthless. We need to listen to a different Word. – Paul Spite

Perhaps the only reason the world still endures is the presence of God's bride within it. That will change – Paul Spite

Many who insist only God has the right to judge, overlook the fact that He actually will – Paul Spite

"What an irony that a society confronted with plastic bags filled with the remains of aborted babies should be more concerned about the problem of recycling the plastic"... - Winifred Egan

A person's a person, no matter how small." - Dr Seuss

Making the decision to have a child is momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking around outside your body. ~Elizabeth Stone

Said regarding gaining the friendship of a small child. "It is no small thing to earn the trust of one who so recently has come from the presence of God Him self" – Author unknown

When you were born, you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life so that when you die, the world cries and you rejoice."~ Cherokee Expression

What we are is God's gift to us. What we become is our gift to God. – Author unknown

Unity may involve different personalities, but it always involves the same direction - Paul Spite

Why is it that folks who think they are cool are usually just wet blankets. They never catch fire. They just sit there and smoke. - Paul Spite

My goal is to make it to heaven and take as many people with me as I possibly can. Those may even include my brethren - Paul Spite

We will try and fail at everything else before turning to God as a last resort. In an effort to avoid acquiring a blood debt, we hang onto our sin debt. - Paul Spite

Let the redeemed of the Lord say so – David

God gave us a brain. If it hurts us, we should probably stop doing it – Paul Spite

My lack of worthiness or willingness to worship God will never made Him any less worthy of my praise – Paul Spite

We wait for God to send us victory so we can give Him worship. Meanwhile, God waits for us to give Him worship so He can send us victory - Paul Spite

Every victory first requires a battle – Paul Spite

It is the incoming wind that lifts the eagle above the storm – Paul Spite

When retreat is not an option, continuing to fight becomes the only alternative besides dying – Paul Spite

God tells us weeping may endure for the night, but joy comes in the morning. But did you know morning comes whenever we decide to wake up - Paul Spite

Of all the kind words spoken in eulogy, what I most want said when I die is, “Well done, thou good and faithful servant.” Paul Spite

Every new success breeds better competition – Author Unknown

When it comes our time to die, we will find there is a direct relationship between how tightly we hold onto things in life, and how easy it is to let them go - Paul Spite

Fear is like having faith in your enemy – Author unknown

Gazing intently into the eyes of Jesus is like peering into an everlasting mirror and seeing two reflections, all that I am not and all that I am meant to be - Ibelisse Sanchez

Like what is inscribed on a gravestone at the base of a famous mountain, when I am dead, let it be said of me, "He died climbing" – Author unknown

If I die, I die trying. But I am not quitting now – Chuck Yeager

Strength is not born watching miracles. It is created by adversity – Paul Spite

If you intend to take territory from Satan, you had better take a sword – Paul Spite

If you are being intimidated by Satan, take heart. I am told a lion usually does not roar, unless it feels threatened - Paul Spite

There is only one God who can fill all of time and space – and us – Paul Spite

I don't want the peace that passes understanding. I want the understanding that brings the peace – Helen Keller

Until we place ourselves under God and in His line of authority, we have no power over devils – James 4:7

It is a fact that we are sitting in pews while the minister is behind the pulpit. It is faith that compels him to believe we are listening – Author unknown

If we knew the outcome of every situation, we would require no faith. If we needed no faith, we would need no God – Author unknown

According to Paul, the shield of faith blocks fiery darts from our enemy. Since he hurls lies at us, it is faith in God's Word that will make them of no consequence - Paul Spite

Said a faulty clock, "Don't blame my hands for the mistakes they make. The problem lies much deeper" – Author unknown

Don't trust decisions that are too easy. The lower down a chair, the more comfortable it is. The more comfortable the chair, the harder it is to get out from - Paul Spite

A story is told of a hungry bear who met a cold hunter. Before he could shoot, the bear suggested they compromise. When the discussion ended, the bear was no longer hungry and the hunter was deep inside a fur coat. Don't compromise, shoot the bear – Author unknown

No matter how far or fast I run from my problems, when I turn around, there I am - Paul Spite

The greener grass on the other side of the fence is probably above a septic tank – Author unknown

Sin will give us the best it has to offer up front, and it is all downhill from there. God gives us blessings up front that are only the earnest of our inheritance – Author unknown

In the United States army, we say "About face." I am told that in the British army, the same command is rendered, "Repent" - Paul Spite

There are times when two people need to step apart from one another, but there is no rule that says they have to turn and fire. ~Robert Brault, www.robertbrault.com

I like it when people smile at me and their eyes agree with their face - Paul Spite

I felt it shelter to speak to you. ~Emily Dickinson

When something is missing in your life, it usually turns out to be someone. ~Robert Brault, www.robertbrault.com

To know when to go away and when to come closer is the key to any lasting relationship. ~Doménico Cieri Estrada

Sometimes you have to get to know someone really well to realize you're really strangers. ~Mary Tyler Moore

You cannot be lonely if you like the person you're alone with. ~Wayne W. Dyer

How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard. ~From the movie *Annie*

When it comes our time to go, we will find there is a direct relationship between how tightly we hold onto things in life, and how easy it is to let them go – Author Unknown

Infatuation is when you think he's as sexy as Robert Redford, as smart as Henry Kissinger, as noble as Ralph Nader, as funny as Woody Allen, and as athletic as Jimmy Connors. Love is when you realize that he's as sexy as Woody Allen, as smart as Jimmy Connors, as funny as Ralph Nader, as athletic as Henry Kissinger and nothing like Robert Redford - but you'll take him anyway. ~Judith Viorst, *Redbook*, 1975

Life has taught us that love does not consist in gazing at each other but in looking outward together in the same direction. ~Antoine de Saint-Exupéry, *Wind, Sand and Stars*, 1939, translated from French by Lewis Galantière

Do I love you because you're beautiful,
Or are you beautiful because I love you?
~Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, *Cinderella*

Love is much like a wild rose, beautiful and calm, but willing to draw blood in its defense. ~Mark Overby

Love one another and you will be happy. It's as simple and as difficult as that. ~Michael Leunig

Without love, what are we worth? Eighty-nine cents! Eighty-nine cents worth of chemicals walking around lonely. ~Laurence Marks, *M*A*S*H*, "Love Story," original air date 7 January 1973, spoken by the character Hawkeye

Love is when the wants and desires of someone else mean more to you than your own do – Paul Spite

Love is the condition in which the happiness of another person is essential to your own. ~Robert Heinlein

Love is much nicer to be in than an automobile accident, a tight girdle, a higher tax bracket or a holding pattern over Philadelphia. ~Judith Viorst, *Redbook*, 1975

Love is an island of emotions entirely surrounded by an ocean of vast expenses – adapted from a saying by Lord Dewar

Only in love are unity and duality not in conflict. ~Rabindranath Tagore

Love is the thing that enables a woman to sing while she mops up the floor after her husband has walked across it in his barn boots. ~Author unknown, as printed in *The Hoosier Farmer*

You know you're in love when you don't want to fall asleep because reality is finally better than your dreams. ~Dr. Seuss

Whatever our souls are made of, his and mine are the same. ~Emily Brontë

Love is a game that two can play and both win. ~Eva Gabor

We picture love as heart-shaped because we do not know the shape of the soul. ~Robert Brault

Some women love only what they can hold in their arms; others, only what they can't. ~Mignon McLaughlin

A man is not at home where he lives, but where he loves - Paul Spite

Love is the greatest touch-up artist of all. ~Robert Brault

You can give without loving, but you can never love without giving. ~Author Unknown

Before I met my husband, I'd never fallen in love. I'd stepped in it a few times. ~Rita Rudner

Love is like a friendship caught on fire. In the beginning a flame, very pretty, often hot and fierce, but still only light and flickering. As love grows older, our hearts mature and our love becomes as coals, deep-burning and unquenchable. ~Bruce Lee

A man reserves his true and deepest love not for the species of woman in whose company he finds himself electrified and enkindled, but for that one in whose company he may feel tenderly drowsy. ~George Jean Nathan

We waste time looking for the perfect lover, instead of creating the perfect love. ~Tom Robbins

You really shouldn't say "I love you" unless you mean it. But if you mean it, you should say it a lot. People forget. ~Author unknown, attributed to an 8-year-old named Jessica

Lust fades, so you'd better be with someone who can stand you. ~Alan Zweibel and Jessie Nelson, *The Story of Us*

Love means nothing in tennis, but it's everything in life. ~Author Unknown

While God waits for His temple to be built of love, men bring stones. ~Rabindranath Tagore

Just because somebody doesn't love you the way you want them to, doesn't mean they don't love you with all they have. ~Author Unknown

If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular? ~Author Unknown

You learn to like someone when you find out what makes them laugh, but you can never truly love someone until you find out what makes them cry. ~Author Unknown

Sometimes we make love with our eyes. Sometimes we make love with our hands. Sometimes we make love with our bodies. But if our hearts are not involved, we didn't make love. ~Author Unknown

If we were lonely when alone, we should not require those who love us to be like us, or to pretend to be so, to gain or keep our love. What failed to satisfy us before will fail again. - Paul Spite

To the world you might be one person, but to one person you might be the world. ~Author Unknown

Today's Multiple Choice Thought

There is no place where a loving touch so completely compensates for an unskilled hand as in:

- a. the bedroom
- b. the nursery
- c. the garden
- d. all of the above.

I guess, when you get down to it, a loving touch compensates for an unskilled hand about everywhere except in an airplane cockpit. ~Robert Brault

Come live in my heart and pay no rent. ~Samuel Lover

I don't wish to be everything to everyone, but I would like to be something to someone. ~Javan

A prayer and a love song - What I need to live has been given to me by the earth. Why I need to live has been given to me by you. - Paul Spite

Falling in love is hard on the body, more so as we get older. It gets harder to get back up – Author unknown

I think we dream so we don't have to be apart so long. If we're in each other's dreams, we can play together all night. ~Bill Watterson, *Calvin & Hobbes*

When you realize you want to spend the rest of your life with somebody, you want the rest of your life to start as soon as possible. ~Nora Ephron, *When Harry Met Sally*

One meets his destiny often in the road he takes to avoid it." French Proverb

To find someone who will love you for no reason, and to shower that person with reasons, that is the ultimate happiness – Robert Brault <http://www.robertbrault.com/>

There is a difference in setting dreams aside for a better season, and discarding them for a lifetime.- Paul Spite

Herein lays a trap when we measure the love of others by our personal measuring sticks and definitions. There is only one who meets my expectations when normal is "like me." - Paul Spite

Make sure you find your calling, before your calling finds you – A youth minister called into that ministry after the death of his son

What would we have to change to once again become the past version of ourselves we admired the most? - Paul Spite

You were born an original. Don't die a copy - John Mason

Someday we will need a God to save us, provide for us, and die for us. Since God will not share dominion with another, if we are chasing any other God, we had best make sure it can do all those things. We might inadvertently catch it and have it then become our only God. - Paul Spite