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Quotes about Prejudice

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Prejudice squints when it looks and lies when it talks.

- Abrantes, Duchess

Prejudice and self-sufficiency naturally proceed from inexperience of the world, and ignorance of mankind.

- Addison, Joseph

All colors will agree in the dark.

- Bacon, Francis

A prejudice is a vagrant opinion without visible means of support.

- Bierce, Ambrose

Prejudices, it is well known, are most difficult to eradicate from the heart whose soil has never been loosened or fertilized by education; they grow there, firm as weeds among stones.

- Bronte, Charlotte

For those who do not think, it is best at least to rearrange their prejudices once in a while.

- Burbank, Luther

It is just as impossible to help reform by conciliating prejudice as it is by buying votes.

Prejudice is the enemy. Whoever is not for you is against you.

- Chapman, John Jay

Our prejudices are our mistresses; reason is at best our wife, very often heard indeed, but seldom minded.

- Chesterfield, Lord

Of my two handicaps, being female put many more obstacles in my path than being black.

- Chisholm, Shirley Anita

America owes most of its social prejudices to the exaggerated religious opinions of the different sects which were so instrumental in establishing the colonies.

- Cooper, James F.

It is not the simple statement of facts that ushers in freedom; it is the constant repetition of them that has this liberating effect. Tolerance is the result not of enlightenment, but of boredom.

- Crisp, Quentin

Destroy it. There may be a redistribution of the land, but the natural inequality of men soon re-creates an inequality of possessions and privileges, and raises to power a new

minority with essentially the same instincts as the old.

- Durant, William J.

I'm interested in the fact that the less secure a man is, the more likely he is to have extreme prejudice.

- Eastwood, Clint

I am free of all prejudices. I hate everyone equally.

- Fields, W. C.

There is no prejudice that the work of art does not finally overcome.

- Gide, Andre

He who has a task to perform must know how to take sides, or he is quite unworthy of it.

- Goethe, Johann Wolfgang Von

He who never leaves his country is full of prejudices

- Goldoni, Carlo

Man associates ideas not according to logic or verifiable exactitude, but according to his pleasure and interests. It is for this reason that most truths are nothing but prejudices.

- Gourmont, Remy De

Prejudice is the child of ignorance.

- Hazlitt, William

The most learned are often the most narrow minded.

- Hazlitt, William

There is no prejudice so strong as that which arises from a fancied exemption from all prejudice.

- Hazlitt, William

No wise man can have a contempt for the prejudices of others; and he should even stand in a certain awe of his own, as if they were aged parents and monitors. They may in the end prove wiser than he.

- Hazlitt, William

Sometimes we feel the loss of a prejudice as a loss of vigor.

- Hoffer, Eric

The mind of a bigot is like the pupil of the eye; the more light you pour on it, the more it will contract.

- Holmes, Oliver Wendell

Inequality is as dear to the American heart as liberty itself.

- Howells, William Dean

Orthodoxy is the diehard of the world of thought. It learns not, neither can it forget.

- Huxley, Aldous

Prejudice not being founded on reason cannot be removed by argument.

- Johnson, Samuel

It's amazing what ordinary people can do if they set out without preconceived notions.

- Kettering, Charles F.

Prejudices are so to speak the mechanical instincts of men: through their prejudices they do without any effort many things they would find too difficult to think through to the point of resolving to do them.

- Lichtenberg, Georg C.

The tendency of the casual mind is to pick out or stumble upon a sample which supports or defies its prejudices, and then to make it the representative of a whole class.

- Lippmann, Walter

One may no more live in the world without picking up the moral prejudices of the world than one will be able to go to hell without perspiring.

- Mencken, H. L.

Reasoning against prejudice is like fighting against a shadow; it exhausts the reasoner, without visibly affecting the prejudice.

- Mildmay

Everyone is a prisoner of his own experiences. No one can eliminate prejudices -- just recognize them.

- Murrow, Edward R.

A great many people think they are thinking when they are merely rearranging their prejudices.

- Murrow, Edward R.

If you want to make beautiful music, you must play the black and the white notes together.

- Nixon, Richard M.

Two things reduce prejudice: education and laughter.

- Peter, Laurence J.

All looks yellow to a jaundiced eye.

- Pope, Alexander

Opinions founded on prejudice are always sustained with the greatest violence.

- Proverb, Hebrew

Whoever seeks to set one race against another seeks to enslave all races.

- Roosevelt, Franklin D.

Stupidity, outrage, vanity, cruelty, iniquity, bad faith, falsehood -- we fail to see the whole array when it is facing in the same direction as we.

- Rostand, Jean

Prejudice is the sole author of infamies: how many acts are so qualified by an opinion forged out of naught but prejudice!

- Sade, Marquis De

The discovery of truth is prevented more effectively, not by the false appearance things present and which mislead into error, not directly by weakness of the reasoning powers, but by preconceived opinion, by prejudice.

- Schopenhauer, Arthur

The one and only formative power given to man is thought. By his thinking he not only makes character, but body and affairs, for as he thinketh within himself, so is he.

Prejudice is a mist, which in our journey through the world often dims the brightest and obscures the best of all the good and glorious objects that meet us on our way.

- Shaftesbury, Lord

We still live in a world in which a significant fraction of people, including women, believe that a woman belongs and wants to belong exclusively in the home.

- Sussman, Rosalyn

Prejudice is a great timesaver. It enables you to form opinions without bothering to get facts.

- Unknown, Source

Prejudice is being down on something you're not up on.

- Unknown, Source

I wonder if there really is a brave man with a really good imagination? If hypocrisy was destructive to the environment the world would have ended a long, long time ago.

- Unknown, Source

Our prejudices are our robbers, they rob us valuable things in life.

- Unknown, Source

Prejudices are what fools use for reason.

- Voltaire

We do not want the men of another color for our brothers-in-law, but we do want them for

our brothers.

- Washington, Booker T.

One can only give an unbiased opinion about things that do not interest one, which is no doubt the reason an unbiased opinion is always valueless. The man who sees both sides of a question is a man who sees absolutely nothing.

- Wilde, Oscar



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