

JUSTICE

Equality and Rights

1. ESSENCE

- 2550 What is justice? - To give every man his own.
Aristotle (B.C. 384-322)
- 2551 Justice renders to every one his due.
Cicero (B.C. 106-43)
- 2552 Justice is truth in actions.
Disraeli (1804-1881)

2. OPPOSITES

- 2553 The love of justice in most men is only the fear of
suffering injustice.
La Rochefoucauld (1613-1680)
- 2554 Justice without force is powerless;
force without justice is tyrannical.
Pascal (1623-1662)
- 2555 Justice is the first virtue of those who command,
and stops the complaints of those who obey.
Denis Diderot (1713-1784)
- 2556 Justice without strength, or strength without justice;
fearful misfortunes!
Joubert (1754-1824)
- 2557 That which is unjust can really profit no one;
that which it just can really harm no one.
Henry George (1839-1897)
- 2558 The law of cause and effect is inexorable and unrelenting.
You reap a harvest of suffering, poverty, pain and sorrow,
because you have sown the seed of evil in the past.
You reap a harvest of plenty and bliss owing to your
sowing seeds of good.
Sivananda (born 1887)
- 2559 I would remind you that extremism in the defence of liberty
is no vice. And let me remind you also that moderation in
pursuit of justice is no virtue.
Barry Goldwater (born 1909)

3. INSIGHT

- 2560 A just man is not one who does no ill,
But he, who with the power, has not the will.
Philemon (B.C. 361-262)
- 2561 Justice consists in doing no injury to men;
decency in giving them no offense.
Cicero (B.C. 106-43)
- 2562 Fidelity is the sister of justice.
Horace (B.C. 65-8)
- 2563 Equality is the share of every one at their advent upon
earth, and equality is also theirs when placed beneath it.
Ninon de L'Enclos (1620-1705)
- 2564 The sentiment of justice is so natural, so universally
acquired by all mankind, that it seems to be independent of
all law, all party, all religion.
Voltaire (1694-1778)
- 2565 Whenever a separation is made between liberty and justice,
neither, in my opinion, is safe.
Burke (1729-1797)
- 2566 Justice is the bread of the nation;
it is always hungry for it.
Chateaubriand (1768-1848)
- 2567 Justice delayed, is justice denied.
William Gladstone (1809-1898)
- 2568 To hear patiently, to weigh deliberately and dispassion-
ately, and to decide to impartially; these are the chief
duties of a Judge.
Albert Pike (1809-1891)
- 2569 I do not see why we should not be as just to an ant as to a
human being.
Charles Kingsley (1819-1875)
- 2570 It is not who is right, but what is right,
that is of importance.
Thomas Huxley (1825-1895)
- 2571 The whole history of the world is summed up in the fact
that, when nations are strong, they are not always just,
and when they wish to be just, they are no longer strong.
Winston Churchill (1874-1965)

2572 It is the spirit and not the form of law that keeps justice
alive.

Earl Warren (1891-1974)

4. POSITIVE

2573 How invincible is justice if it be well spoken.

Cicero (B.C. 106-43)

2574 Justice, though moving with tardy pace,
has seldom failed to overtake the wicked in their flight.

Horace (B.C. 65-8)

2575 Justice is an unassailable fortress, built on the brow of a
mountain which cannot be overthrown by the violence of
torrents, nor demolished by the force of armies.

Koran (c. 651 A.D.)

2576 Only the actions of the just
smell sweet and blossom in the dust.

James Shirley (1596-1666)

2577 To be perfectly just is an attribute of the divine nature;
to be so to the utmost of our abilities, is the glory of
man.

Addison (1672-1719)

2578 Justice is the great interest of man on earth. It is the
ligament which holds civilized beings and civilized nations
together.

Daniel Webster (1782-1852)

2579 A man is a little thing while he works by and for himself;
but when he gives voice to the rules of love and justice,
he is godlike.

Emerson (1803-1882)

2580 Above all other things is justice.
Success is a good thing; wealth is good also;
honor is better, but justice excels them all.

David Dudley Field (1805-1894)

2581 Knowledge is convertible into power, and axioms into rules
of utility and duty. But knowledge itself is not Power.
Wisdom is Power; and her Prime Minister is Justice,
which is the perfected law of Truth.

Albert Pike (1809-1891)

2582 The proof of a thing's being right is that it has power
over the heart; that it excites us, wins us, or helps us.

John Ruskin (1819-1900)

5. NEGATIVE

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- 2583 There is a point at which even justice does injury.
Sophocles (B.C. 495-406)
- 2584 He who commits injustice is ever made more wretched
than he who suffers it.
Plato (B.C. 427?-347?)
- 2585 There is no cruder tyranny than that which is perpetuated
under the shield of law and in the name of justice.
Montesquieu (1689-1755)
- 2586 So far is it from being true that men are naturally equal,
that no two people can be half an hour together but one
shall acquire an evident superiority over the other.
Johnson (1709-1784)
- 2587 It is untrue that equality is a law of nature. Nature has
no equality. Its sovereign law is subordination and
dependence.
Vauvenargues(1715-1747)
- 2588 He who is only just is cruel.
Who on earth could live were all judged justly?
Byron (1788-1824)
- 2589 Justice without wisdom is impossible.
Froude (1818-1894)
- 2590 There is no such thing as justice - in or out of court.
Clarence Darrow (1857-1938)
- 2591 Injustice is relatively easy to bear;
what stings is justice.
H. L. Mencken (1880-1956)

6. ADVICE

- 2592 If thou suffer injustice, console thyself;
the true unhappiness is in doing it.
Democritus (B.C. 490-360)
- 2593 Justice, being destroyed, will destroy;
being preserved, will preserve;
it must never therefore be violated.
Manu (c. B.C. 200)
- 2594 Equal rights for all, special privileges for none.
Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826)

- 2595 One man's word is no man's word;
we should quietly hear both sides.
Goethe (1749-1832)
- 2596 Stand with anybody that stands right while he is right
and part with him when he goes wrong.
Lincoln (1809-1865)
- 2597 Keep justice, keep generosity, yielding to neither singly.
Tupper (1810-1889)
- 2598 We win justice quickest by rendering justice
to the other party.
Gandhi (1869-1948)
- 2599 If we are to keep our democracy,
there must be one commandment:
"Thou shalt not ration justice."
Learned Hand (1872-1961)

7. POTPOURRI

- 2600 Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot.
Exodus (B.C. 1200?)
- 2601 A clear-cut case meets with difficulty because of a tendency
to be lenient. The man must be as true as gold and as
impartial as the mean.
I Ching (B.C. 1150?)
- 2602 All men are by nature equal, made all of the same earth by
one Workman; and however we deceive ourselves, as dear unto
God is the poor peasant as the mighty prince.
Plato (B.C. 427?-347?)
- 2603 Just are the ways of God,
And justifiable to men.
Milton (1608-1674)
- 2604 All Nature is but art unknown to thee;
All chance direction, which thou canst not see;
All discord, harmony not understood;
All partial evil, universal good;
And spite of pride, in erring reason's spite,
One truth is clear, Whatever is is right.
Pope (1688-1744)

- 2605 Justice is as strictly due between neighbor nations, as between neighbor citizens. A highwayman is as much a robber when he plunders in a gang, as when single; and a nation that makes an unjust war is only a great gang of robbers.
Franklin (1706-1790)
- 2606 Justice is my being allowed to do whatever I like.
Injustice is whatever prevents my doing so.
Johnson (1709-1784)
- 2607 Your levellers wish to level down as far as themselves, but they cannot bear levelling up to themselves.
Johnson (1709-1784)
- 2608 Freedom of religion, freedom of the press, freedom of person under protection of habeas corpus; and trial by juries impartially selected, these principles form the bright constellation which has gone before us, and guided our steps through an age of revolution and reformation.
Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826)
- 2609 Prompt sense of equality! to thee belongs
The swift redress of unexamined wrongs!
Eager to serve, the cause perhaps untried,
But always apt to choose the suffering side.
Hannah More (1745-1833)
- 2610 I will be as harsh as truth
and as uncompromising as justice.
William Garrison (1805-1879)
- 2611 Man is unjust, but God is just; and finally justice
Triumphs.
Longfellow (1807-1882)
- 2612 Judging from the main portions of the history of the world,
so far, justice is always in jeopardy.
Walt Whitman (1819-1892)
- 2613 Within me justice saith: Men are not equal; neither shall
they become so.
Nietzsche (1844-1900)
- 2614 When a man wants to murder a tiger, he calls it sport;
When the tiger wants to murder him, he calls it ferocity.
The distinction between crime and justice is no greater.
G. B. Shaw (1856-1950)