

## ML quotes from Reformation500

“When you wash your face, remember your baptism.”

“I have so much to do today that I shall spend the first three hours in prayer.”

“Faith cannot be inherited or gained by being baptized into a church. Faith is a matter between the individual and God.”

“The fewer the words, the better the prayer.”

“Is it not wonderful news to believe that salvation lies outside ourselves!”

“To gather with God’s people in united adoration of the Father is as necessary to the Christian life as prayer.”

“Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world.”

“If I am not allowed to laugh in heaven, I don’t want to go there.”

“Beautiful music is the art of the prophets that can calm the agitation of the soul; it is one of the most magnificent and delightful presents God has given us.”

“Whatever your heart clings to and confides in -- that is really your God”

“I have held many things in my hands; and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God’s hands, that I still possess.”

“The Bible is the cradle wherein Christ is laid.”

“Grant that I may not pray alone with the mouth; help me that I may pray from the depths of my heart.”

“Faith is permitting ourselves to be seized by the things we do not see.”

“Every man must do two things alone: he must do his own believing and his own dying.”

“Faith is a living, daring confidence in God’s grace, so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times.”

“People must have righteous principles first, and then they will not fail to perform virtuous actions.”

“You are not only responsible for what you say, but also for what you do not say.”

“To be a Christian without prayer is no more possible than to be alive without breathing.”

“There is no more lovely, friendly, and charming relationship, communion or company than a good marriage.”

“Let the wife make the husband glad to come home, and let him make her sorry to see him leave.”

“God writes the Gospel not in the Bible alone, but also on trees, and in the flowers and in clouds and stars.”

“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.”

“Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces, I would still plant my apple tree.”

“Anyone who is to find Christ must first find the church. How could anyone know where Christ is and what faith in Him is unless he knew where His believers are?”

“I know not the way God leads me, but well do I know my Guide.”

“Pray and let God worry.”

“I must still read and study the catechism daily, yet I cannot master it as I wish, but must remain a child and a pupil of the catechism, and I do it gladly.” —from his preface to the  
Large Catechism