

OS GUINNESS QUOTES

(English author, theologian, social critic, quiet voice on behalf of faith, freedom, truth, reason, civility)

- Either we conform our desires to the truth or we conform the truth to our desires.
- We are called not primarily to do something or go somewhere; we are called to Someone. We are not called first to special work, but to God. The key to answering the call is to be devoted to no one and nothing but God himself.
- I live before the audience of One. Before others I have nothing to gain, nothing to lose, nothing to prove.
- Christianity is the only religion whose God bears the scars of evil.
- We cannot find God without God. We cannot reach God without God. We cannot satisfy God without God - which is another way of saying that all our seeking will fall short unless God starts and finishes the search. The decisive part of our seeking is not our ascent to God, but his descent to us. Without God's descent there is no human ascent. The secret of the quest lies not in our brilliance but in His grace.
- In our day it's worse to judge evil than to do evil.
- Jesus made clear that the Kingdom of God is organic and not organizational. It grows like a seed and it works like leaven: secretly, invisibly, surprisingly and irresistibly.
- Too often we forget that the great men of faith reached the heights they did by going through the depths.
- If Jesus Christ is the head of the church and hence the source and goal of its entire life, true growth is only possible in obedience to Him. Conversely, if the church becomes detached from Jesus Christ and His Word, it cannot grow however active and successful it may seem to be.
- People in the secular world have too much to live with, too little to live for.
- Christ is the only way to God, but there are many ways to Christ as there are people who come to Him.
- The problem with Western Christians is not that they aren't where they should be but that they aren't what they should be where they are.
- What is undeniable is that when comforts and convenience sap our energies and idealism, inactivity secretes sloth in to our minds
- Atheism thrives on bad religion
- God is the ultimate source of all power. All human power is therefore derived, limited, unstable and transient.

'Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!' - Romans 11:33

'In Christ are hidden all the treasures and wisdom.' - Colossians 2:3