



John Wesley Quotes:

When we think of John Wesley today, we remember his emphasis on the growth of his faith and his passion for reaching out to the world. Wesley believed that our work in the world is an outgrowth of our commitment to Christ and all he has done for us. We grow in our faith so that we can bring the good news of Jesus' love, justice and hope to others. Our United Methodist Church is grounded in Wesley's courage to move beyond himself into a world that needed Jesus' love.

These words from John Wesley are meant to encourage you to study his other works and words, and use them as a basis for lifting up the vision that God is calling us to be **A Courageous Church: Loving like Jesus, Acting for justice, United in hope.**

"Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike? May we not be of one heart, though we are not of one opinion? Without all doubt, we may. Herein all the children of God may unite, notwithstanding these smaller differences."

"I continue to dream and pray about a revival of holiness in our day that moves forth in mission and creates authentic community in which each person can be unleashed through the empowerment of the Spirit to fulfill God's creational intentions."

"I set myself on fire and people come to watch me burn."

"I want the whole Christ for my Savior, the whole Bible for my book, the whole Church for my fellowship and the whole world for my mission field."

"The world is my parish."

"One of the principal rules of religion is, to lose no occasion of serving God. And, since he is invisible to our eyes, we are to serve him in our neighbor; which he receives as if done to himself in person, standing visibly before us."

"My fear is not that our great movement, known as the Methodists, will eventually cease to exist or one day die from the earth. My fear is that our people will become content to live without the fire, the power, the excitement, the supernatural element that makes us great."

"The Bible knows nothing of solitary religion."

"Lord, I am no longer my own, but Yours. Put me to what You will, rank me with whom You will. Let be employed by You or laid aside for You, exalted for You or brought low by You. Let me have all things, let me have nothing, I freely and heartily yield all things to Your pleasure and



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disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, You are mine and I am Yours. So be it. Amen."

"God grant that I may never live to be useless!"

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"Untold millions are still untold."

"One great reason why the rich in general have so little sympathy for the poor is because they so seldom visit them. Hence it is that one part of the world does not know what the other suffers. Many of them do not know, because they do not care to know: they keep out of the way of knowing it – and then plead their voluntary ignorance as an excuse for their hardness of heart."

"I began to see that true religion was seated in the heart and that God's law extended to all our thoughts as well as words and actions."

"We are always open to instruction, willing to be wiser every day than we were before, and to change whatever we can change for the better."