

# INSPIRATIONAL SUMMER QUOTES

"Kind hearts are the gardens;  
kind thoughts are the roots;  
kind words are the flowers;  
kind deeds are the fruits."

~ English Proverb

"Just living is not enough" said the butterfly,  
"one must have sunshine, freedom and a little flower."

~ Hans Christian Andersen

"I love to think of nature as an unlimited broadcasting station through  
which God speaks to us every hour, if we will only tune in."

~ George Washington Carver

How wonderful, O Lord, are the works of your hands,  
the sun and the stars, the valleys and the hills, the rivers  
and lakes all disclose your presence. The beasts of the  
field, the birds of the air bespeak your wondrous will.  
In your goodness you have made us able to hear the  
music of the world, a divine voice sings  
through all creations.

~ Hebrew prayer

"Listen to all the teachers in the woods.  
Watch the trees, the animals and all living things -  
you'll learn more from them than from books."

~ Joe Coyhis

“The growth of all the plants of the garden from seeds and roots keep us mindful, in accordance with of the Parable of the Sower, of the need for our loving, mortified reception and cultivation in our hearts and souls of the seeds and roots of the supernatural gifts and virtues necessary for progress in the ascetical/mystical ascent of our souls toward union with God and with the divine will for Creation and Kingdom.”

~ John S. Stokes, Jr., Flower Theology II

“My soul can find no staircase to Heaven  
unless it be through Earth's loveliness.”

~ Michelangelo Buonardo

“The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, a third day.”

~ Genesis 1:9-13, To Bring Forth Fruit

Your enjoyment of the world is never right, till every morning you awake in Heaven; see yourself in your Father's Palace; and look upon the skies, the earth, and the air as Celestial Joys; having such a reverend esteem of all, as if you were among the Angels.

~ Thomas Traherne, 1670

A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining,  
the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing,  
and the lawn mower is broken.

~ James Dent

