

# 210 Meaningful Quotes That Will Change Your Perspective

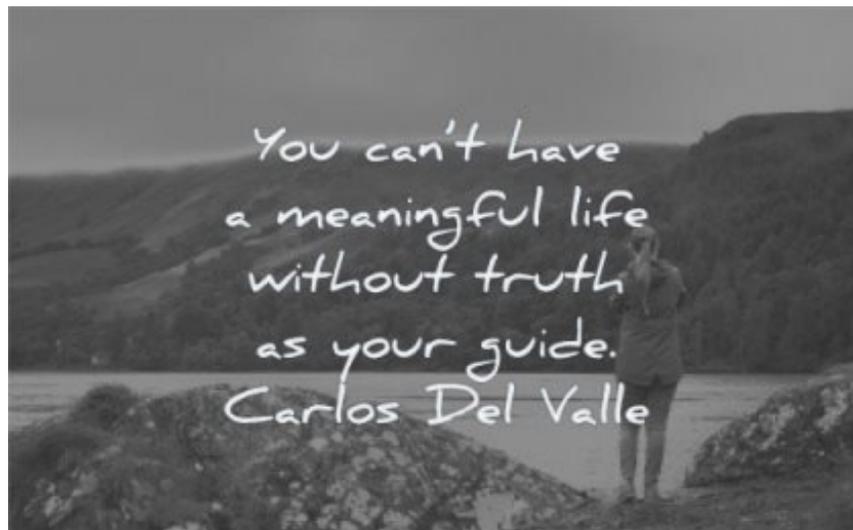
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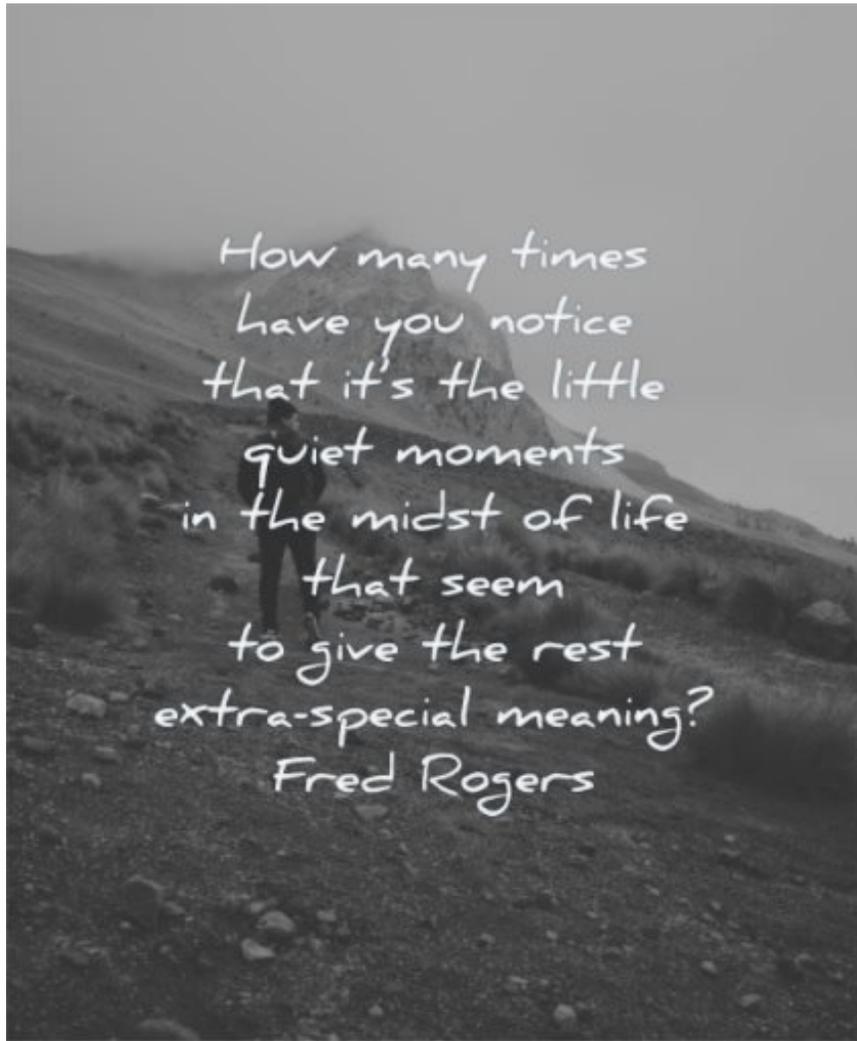
The goal with these 210 meaningful quotes is simple: to change your perspective on life. That's why you'll find quotes on work, perseverance, tough times, love and happiness. Hope you'll like them.



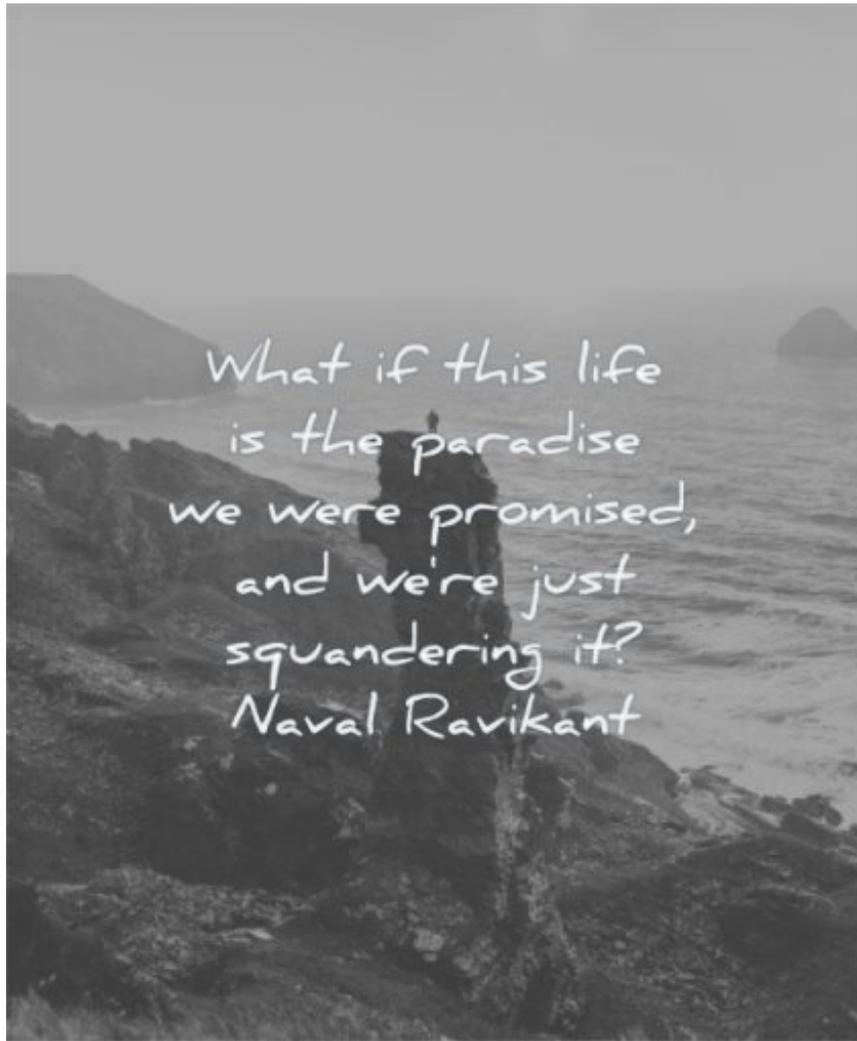
| Nothing meaningful comes free. George Raveling



| You can't have a meaningful life without truth as your guide. Carlos Del Valle



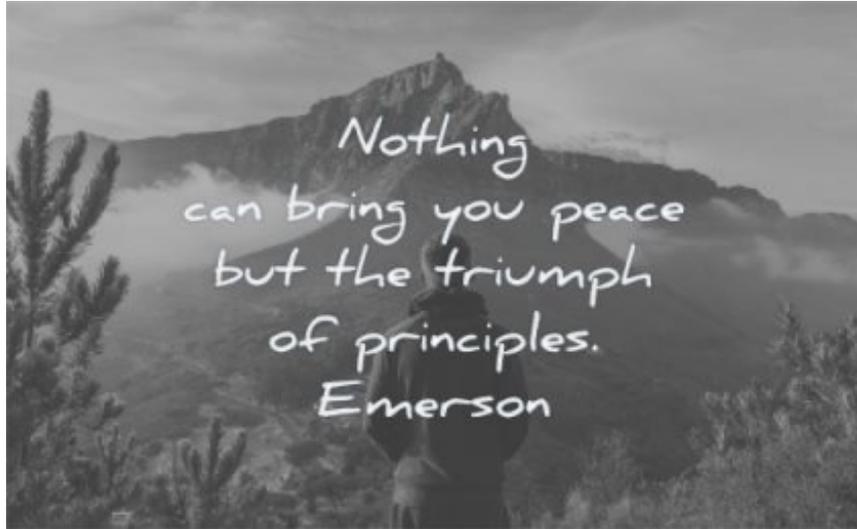
How many times have you notice that it's the little quiet moments in the midst of life that seem to give the rest extra-special meaning? Fred Rogers



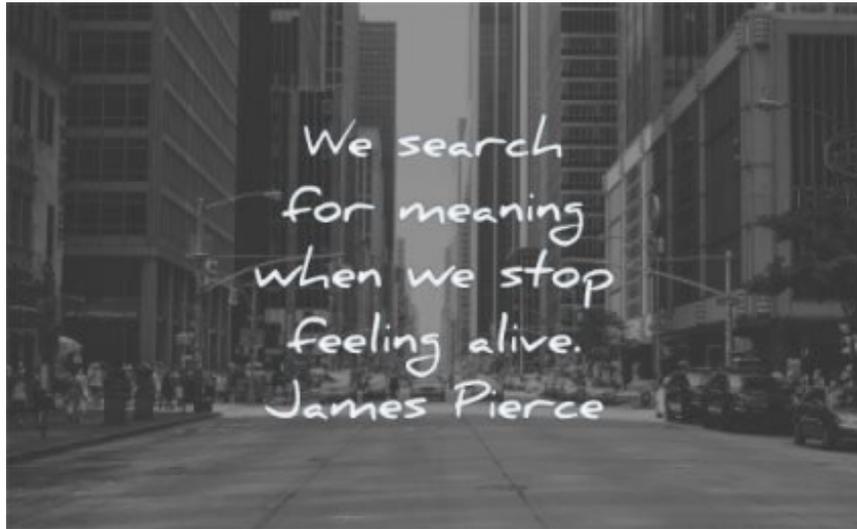
What if this life is the paradise we were promised, and we're just squandering it? Naval Ravikant



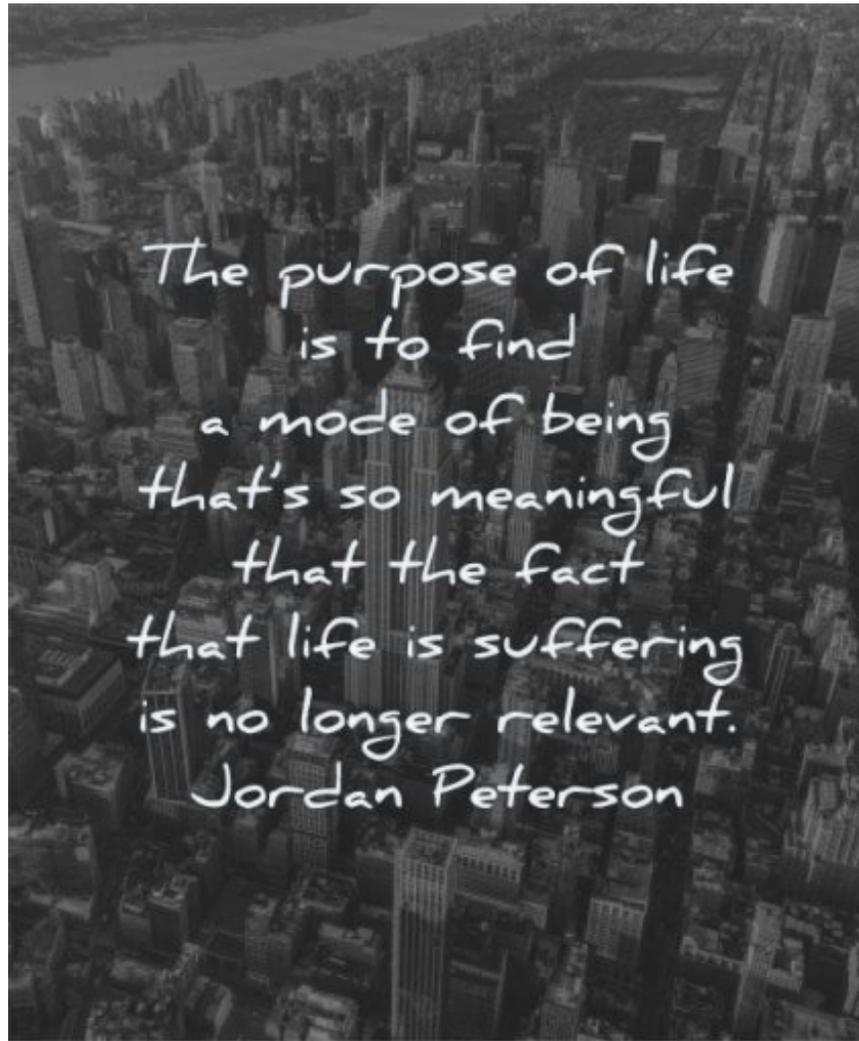
Life in itself has no meaning. Life is an opportunity to create meaning. Osho (Creativity: Unleashing the Forces Within)



| Nothing can bring you peace but the triumph of principles. Ralph Waldo Emerson



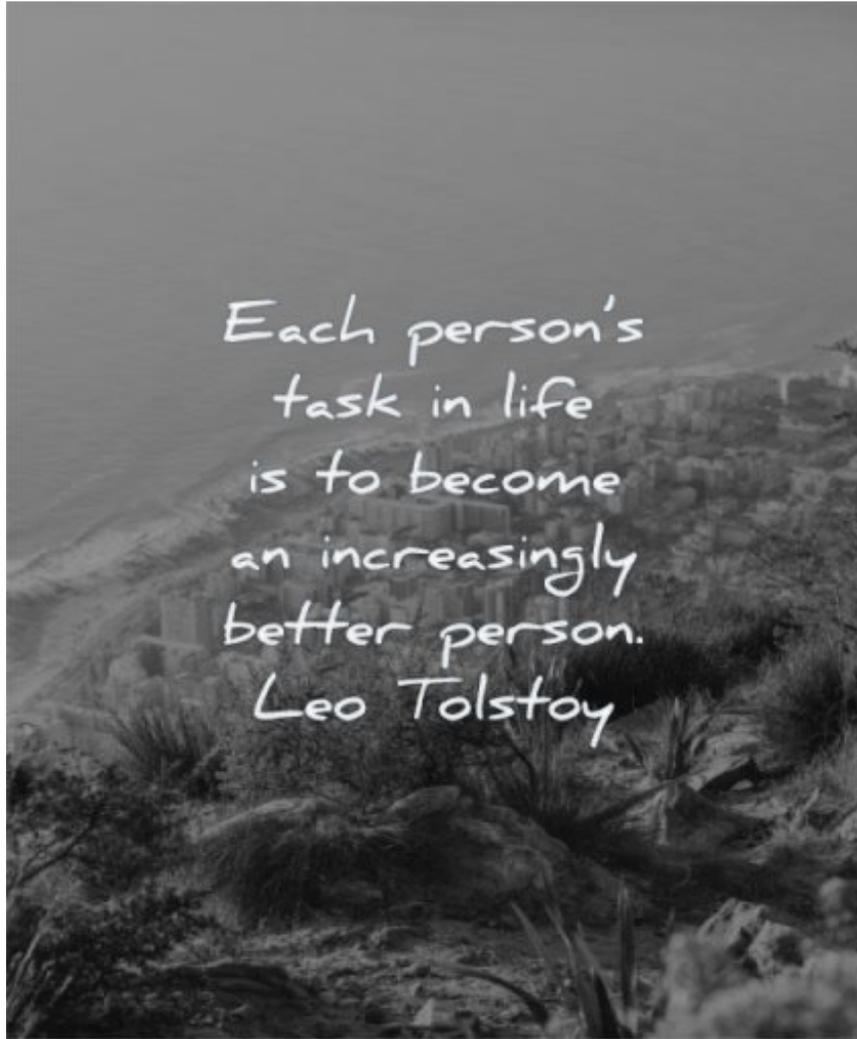
| We search for meaning when we stop feeling alive. James Pierce



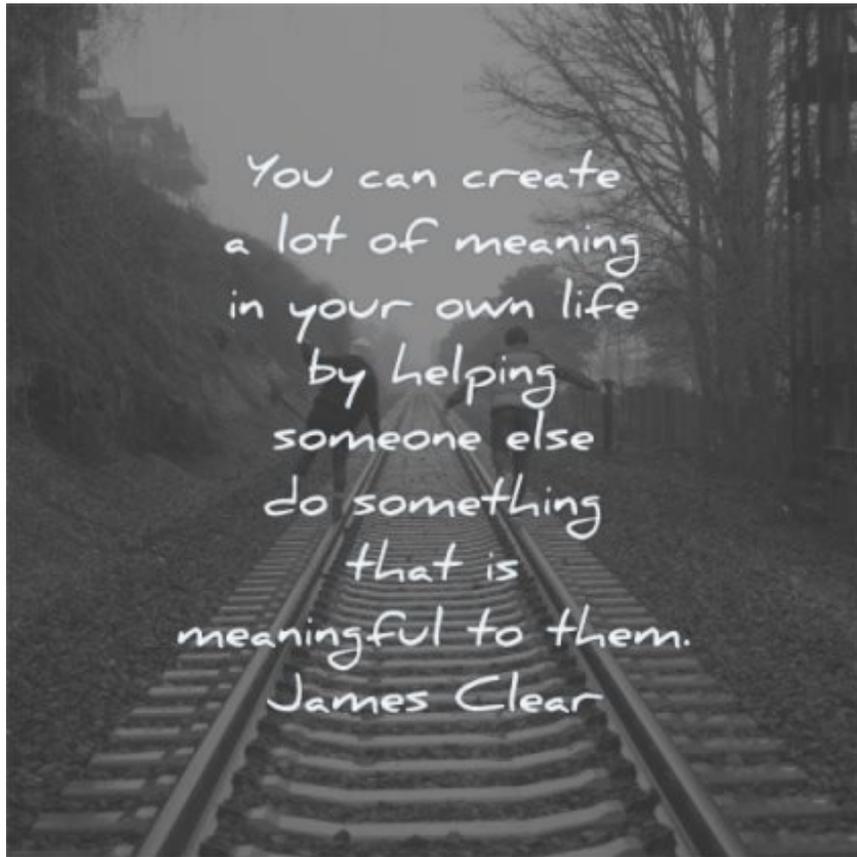
The purpose of life is to find a mode of being that's so meaningful that the fact that life is suffering is no longer relevant. Jordan Peterson



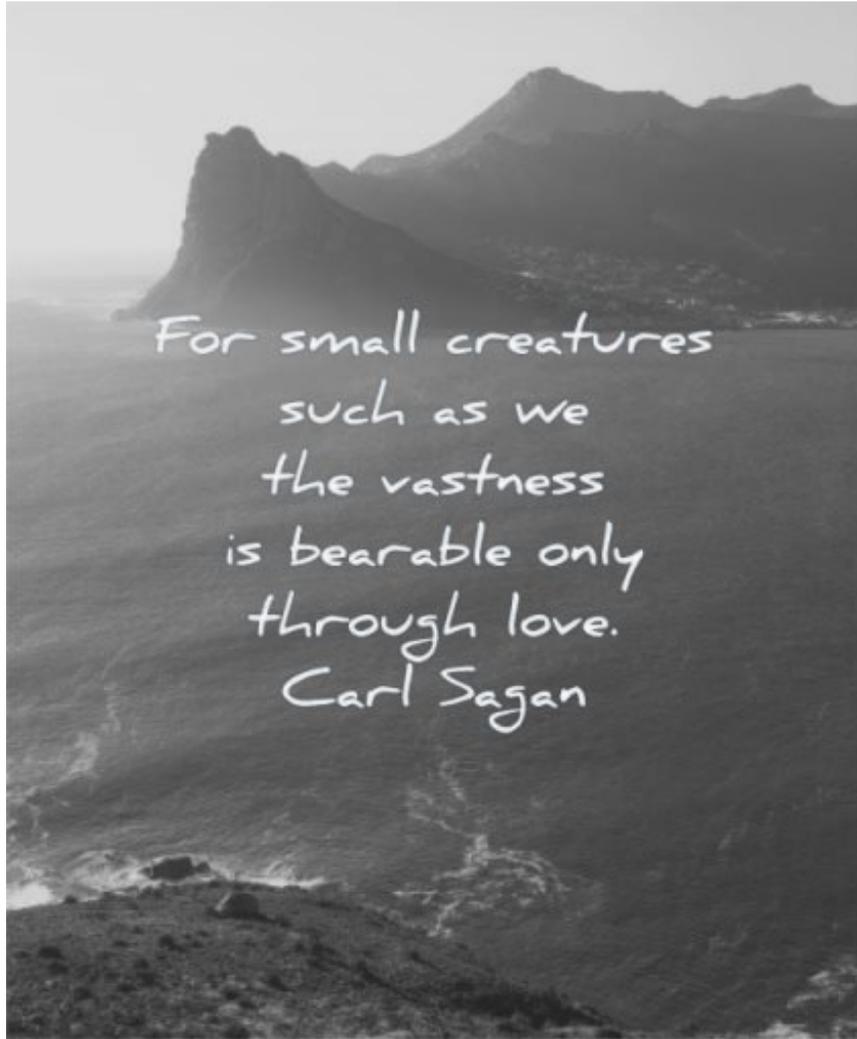
| Remember that wherever your heart is, there you will find your treasure. Paulo Coelho



| Each person's task in life is to become an increasingly better person. Leo Tolstoy

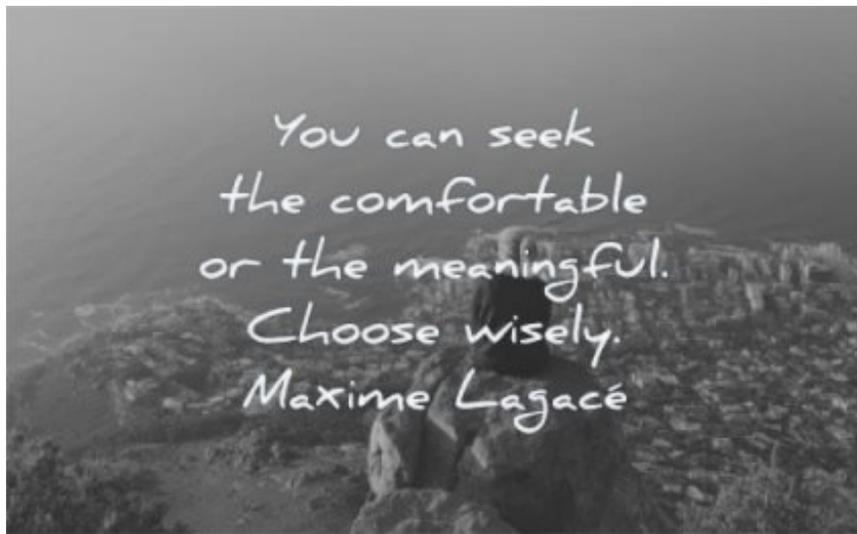


You can create a lot of meaning in your own life by helping someone else do something that is meaningful to them. James Clear



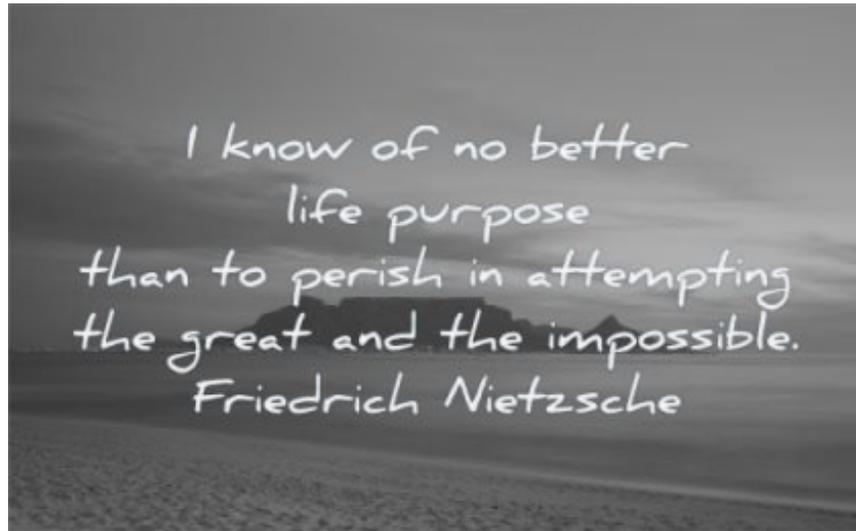
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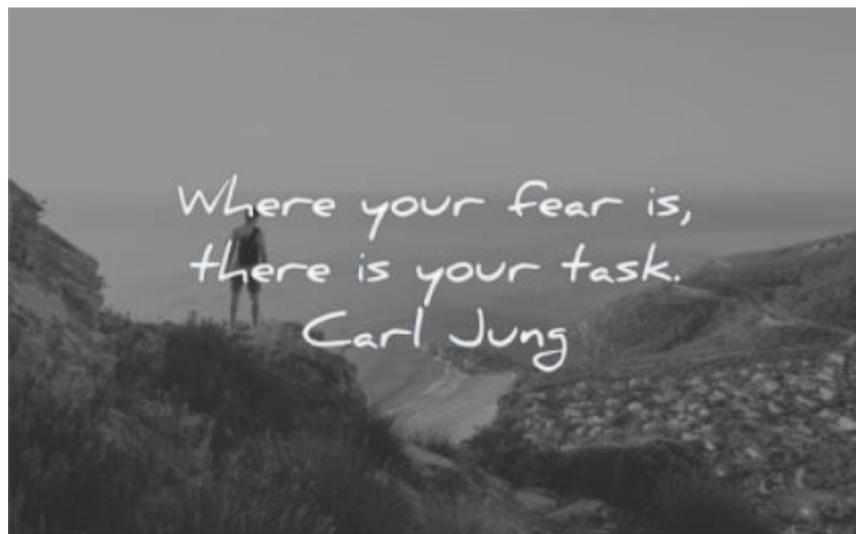


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I know of no better life purpose than to perish in attempting the great and the impossible.  
Friedrich Nietzsche



Where your fear is, there is your task. Carl Jung

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## The Best Meaningful Quotes

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The great and glorious masterpiece of man is to live with purpose. Michel de Montaigne

What most of us seek is comfort but what gives meaning is connection. Maxime Lagacé

I would rather die a meaningful death than to live a meaningless life. Corazon Aquino

Thinking about death, once a day, is the best way to lead a meaningful life. D. Muthukrishnan

As human beings, our job in life is to help people realize how rare and valuable each one of us really is, that each of us has something that no one else has – or ever will have – something inside that is unique to all time. It's our job to encourage each other to discover that uniqueness and to provide ways of developing its expression. Fred Rogers

It's not so much what we have in this life that matters. It's what we do with what we have. Fred Rogers

Get busy with life's purpose, toss aside empty hopes, get active in your own rescue – if you care for yourself at all – and do it while you can. Marcus Aurelius

The happiness we seek cannot be found through grasping, trying to hold on to things. Pema Chödrön

I feel that we're all lighthouses, and my job is to shine my light as brightly as I can to the darkness. Jim Carrey

My goal is this: always to put myself in the place in which I am best able to serve, wherever my gifts and qualities find the best soil to grow, the widest field of action. There is no other goal. Hermann Hesse (Narcissus and Goldmund)

Meaning and being did not lie somewhere behind things; they lay within them, within everything. Hermann Hesse (Siddhartha)

The great benefit of slowing down is reclaiming the time and tranquility to make meaningful connections – with people, with culture, with work, with nature, with our own bodies and minds. Carl Honoré (In Praise of Slowness) (See also: simplicity quotes)

The journey isn't so much about becoming someone. It's about getting rid of everything that isn't really you. Paulo Coelho

The problem is that you were asking the wrong question. What is the meaning of life is not the question you should ask. The proper question is: What does it mean to you? Daniel Jeffries

A secret to life: Know that none of this matters, and yet... live as if every single moment does. Kamal Ravikant

Never work just for money or for power. They won't save your soul or help you sleep at night. Marian Wright Edelman

Your inner purpose is to awaken. It is as simple as that. You share that purpose with every other person on the planet – because it is the purpose of humanity. Eckhart Tolle

The significance is hiding in the insignificant. Appreciate everything. Eckhart Tolle

People say that what we're all seeking is a meaning for life. I don't think that's what we're really seeking. I think that what we're seeking is an experience of being alive, so that our life experiences on the purely physical plane will have resonances with our own innermost being and reality, so that we actually feel the rapture of being alive. Joseph Campbell (The Power of Myth)

Life's meaning is not in following someone else, it is in the unfolding of one's own self. It is not a process of becoming like someone else, it is to be oneself. Osho

You will find meaning in life only if you create it. It is a poetry to be composed. It is a song to be sung. It is a dance to be danced. Osho

Life is indeed terribly complicated – to a man who has lost his principles. G.K. Chesterton

To be what we are, and to become what we are capable of becoming, is the only end of life. Robert Louis Stevenson

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## Part 2. Meaningful Quotes That Are...

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### The Most Famous Meaningful Quotes (da Vinci, Nietzsche, Montaigne, etc.)

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He who has a why to live can bear with almost any how. Friedrich Nietzsche

I cannot imagine life without work as really comfortable. Sigmund Freud

Deprived of meaningful work, men and women lose their reason for existence; they go stark, raving mad. Fyodor Dostoevsky

The soul which has no fixed purpose in life is lost; to be everywhere, is to be nowhere. Michel de Montaigne

There is not one big cosmic meaning for all; there is only the meaning we each give to our life, an individual meaning, an individual plot, like an individual novel, a book for each person. Anaïs Nin

Wealth, like happiness, is never attained when sought after directly. It comes as a by-product of providing a useful service. Henry Ford

Happiness can be found, even in the darkest of times, if one only remembers to turn on the light. J.K. Rowling

Happiness lies not in the mere possession of money; it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort. Franklin D. Roosevelt

I think everybody should get rich and famous and do everything they ever dreamed of so they can see that it's not the answer. Jim Carrey

Life becomes meaningful when you work on it. You are the only person who can make it meaningful for yourself. Yoko Ono

As a well-spent day bring a happy sleep, so a well-employed life brings a happy death. Leonardo da Vinci

To be of value, we must develop basic good human qualities – warmth, kindness, compassion. Then our life will become happier and more meaningful. 14th Dalai Lama

What is the meaning of life? To be happy and useful. 14th Dalai Lama

To affect the quality of the day, that is the highest of arts. Every man is tasked to make his life, even in its details, worthy of the contemplation of his most elevated and critical hour. Henry David Thoreau (Walden)

Whoever you are, or whatever it is that you do, when you really want something, it's because that desire originated in the soul of the universe. It's your mission on earth. Paulo Coelho (The Alchemist)

The mystery of human existence lies not in just staying alive, but in finding something to live for. Fyodor Dostoyevsky (The Brothers Karamazov)

Helped are those who love the entire cosmos rather than their own tiny country, city, or farm, for to them will be shown the unbroken web of life and the meaning of infinity. Alice Walker

Your gifts lie in the place where your values, passions and strengths meet. Discovering that place is the first step toward sculpting your masterpiece, your life. Michelangelo (See also: strength quotes)

To see that your life is a story while you're in the middle of living it may be a help to living it well. Ursula K. Le Guin (Gifts)

| It is this broken road with pitfalls and sharp turns and unexpected traverses that has brought me joy and adventure. Alice Walker

| God provides the wind, but man must raise the sails. Augustine of Hippo

| Everyone thinks of changing the world, but no one thinks of changing himself. Leo Tolstoy

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## Short Meaningful Quotes

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One-liners, short meaningful quotes, sayings, thoughts and captions for your bio, social status, self-talk, motto, mantra, signs, posters, wallpapers, backgrounds.

| Money doesn't buy meaning. Kyle Kowalski

| To hear, one must be silent. Ursula K. Le Guin (The Earthsea Trilogy)

| Art is the proper task of life. Friedrich Nietzsche

| Meaning springs from belonging. David Steindl-Rast (Deeper Than Words)

| Service is what life is all about. Marian Wright Edelman

| A higher purpose is the only drug you need. Preethi Kasireddy

| Do what is meaningful, not what is expedient. Jordan Peterson

| You don't need confidence, just contribution. Derek Sivers

| Find a purpose to serve, not a lifestyle to live. Criss Jami

| It can have meaning if it changes you for the better. Viktor Frankl

| Life has no goal as such. Life itself is its own goal. Osho

| Life should not only be lived, it should be celebrated. Osho

| If things are too easy, life is a whole lot less interesting. Marian Wright Edelman

| When things aren't adding up in your life, start subtracting. James Altucher

| You either think you're the hero or the victim in your own story. Ed Latimore

| The meaningful life is not easy but it's the only one worthwhile. Maxime Lagacé

| If the path before you is clear, you're probably on someone else's. Joseph Campbell

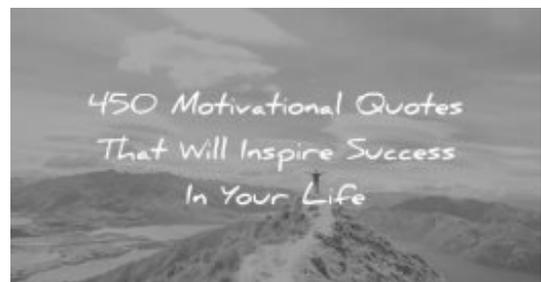
| The first step to get what you want is to get rid of what you don't. Paulo Coelho

| Don't let what you're afraid of keep you from what you were made for. Bob Goff

| In the end, it's about what you want to be, not what you want to have. Derek Sivers

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You have to do hard things to create your own meaning in life. [Naval Ravikant](#)

Anything meaningful requires you to show up and do the work. Every. Single. Day. Joe De Sana

Your purpose is to be yourself. You don't have to run anywhere to become someone else. You are wonderful just as you are. Thich Nhat Hanh

Ultimately, man should not ask what the meaning of his life is, but rather he must recognize that he is who is being asked. Viktor Frankl

All you have to do is to pay attention; lessons always arrive when you are ready, and if you can read the signs, you will learn everything you need to know in order to take the next step. Paulo Coelho (The Zahir)

Each person comes into this world with a specific destiny – he has something to fulfill, some message has to be delivered, some work has to be completed. You are not here accidentally – you are here meaningfully. There is a purpose behind you. The whole intends to do something through you. Osho

If you find yourself drawn to an event against all logic, go. The universe is telling you something. Gloria Steinem (My Life on the Road)

The world needs a sense of worth, and it will achieve it only by its people feeling that they are worthwhile. Fred Rogers

Deep down, we know that what matters in this life is more than winning for ourselves. What really matters is helping others win, too. Fred Rogers

The greatest feeling is helping others feel good too. Maxime Lagacé

It's all there. Everything you need to know. Why you are here, and what you are here to do. It's all right there in your heart. Iyanla Vanzant

We're not on our journey to save the world but to save ourselves. But in doing that you save the world. Joseph Campbell

If we want to make meaning, we need to make art. Cook, write, draw, doodle, paint, scrapbook, take pictures, collage, knit, rebuild an engine, sculpt, dance, decorate, act, sing – it doesn't matter. As long as we're creating, we're cultivating meaning. Brené Brown (The Gifts of Imperfection)

Keep in mind that you are an actor in a play that is just the way the producer wants it to be... Your job is to put on a splendid performance of the role you have been given. Epictetus

What we seek, at the deepest level, is inwardly to resemble, rather than physically to possess, the objects and places that touch us through their beauty. Alain de Botton (The Architecture of Happiness)

It is good to have an end to journey toward; but it is the journey that matters, in the end. Ursula K. Le Guin (The Left Hand of Darkness)

Don't just do what you're able to do; figure out what you were made to do, then do lots of that. Bob Goff

Let your sense of rebellion fill you with energy and purpose. Robert Greene

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## Deep Meaningful Quotes

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A comfortable, convenient life is not a real life – the more comfortable, the less alive. Osho

If you aim at comfort and happiness, you screwed. If you aim at meaning and peace, you have a chance. Maxime Lagacé

Life is purposeless. Don't be shocked. The whole idea of purpose is wrong – it comes out of greed. Osho

So much unhappiness comes from wanting others to think we're happy or important. We chase visible at the expense of meaningful. Shane Parrish

The truth is that as the struggle for survival has subsided, the question has emerged: survival for what? Ever more people today have the means to live, but no meaning to live for. Viktor Frankl

Life being what it is – rather shallow, empty, a tortuous affair without much meaning – one tries to invent a significance, a meaning. Jiddu Krishnamurti

“Finding meaning” is a fun game until it becomes a fatal addiction. Kunal (@CrazyPolymath)

We’re not meant to consume infinite news, infinite porn, infinite food. We live in an era of too much abundance. This is the modern struggle. There is so much of an abundance of cheap, fake, instant dopamine and meaning. Naval Ravikant

You want meaning, not happiness. You want joy, not pleasure. You want fulfillment, not things. You seek what the material world will never provide. Carlos Del Valle

God’s more interested in our hearts than our plans. Bob Goff

I slept and I dreamed that life is all joy. I woke and I saw that life is all service. I served and I saw that service is joy. Kahlil Gibran

It’s a rare gift, to know where you need to be, before you’ve been to all the places you don’t need to be. Ursula K. Le Guin (Tales from Earthsea)

Often in life we forget the things we should remember and remember the things we should forget. Paulo Coelho

If there was a big bang in the beginning, you’re not something that’s a result of the big bang. You are still the process. You’re not something that is a sort of puppet on the end of the process. You are the big bang, the original force of the universe. Alan Watts

All natural disasters are comforting because they reaffirm our impotence, in which, otherwise, we might stop believing. At times it is strangely sedative to know the extent of your own powerlessness. Erica Jong

Remember that man lives only in the present, in this fleeting instant; all the rest of his life is either past and gone, or not yet revealed. Short, therefore, is man’s life, and narrow is the corner of the earth wherein he dwells. Marcus Aurelius

Life has no meaning. Each of us has meaning and we bring it to life. It is a waste to be asking the question when you are the answer. Joseph Campbell

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## Wise Meaningful Quotes (Words of Wisdom)

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To forget one’s purpose is the commonest form of stupidity. Friedrich Nietzsche

We do not see nature with our eyes, but with our understandings and our hearts. William Hazlitt

Paradoxical as it may seem, the purposeful life has no content, no point. It hurries on and on, and misses everything. It is only when there is no goal and no rush that the human senses are fully open to receive the world. Alan Watts

A life full of goals or endpoints is like trying to abate one's hunger by eating merely the two precise ends of a banana. Alan Watts

It's not the honors and the prizes and the fancy outsides of life which ultimately nourish our souls. It's the knowing that we can be trusted, that we never have to fear the truth, that the bedrock of our very being is good stuff. Fred Rogers

Find significance within yourself. Within your own sphere of power – that is where you have the greatest consequence. Epictetus

Meaning is man-created. And because you constantly look for meaning, you start to feel meaninglessness. Osho

A perfect man lives without any purpose; a perfect man moves, but without any motive. Osho

There is no meaning existing in life – one has to create it. Only if you create it will you discover it. Osho

The majority of men have not yet acquired the maturity to be independent, to be rational, to be objective. They need myths and idols to endure the fact that man is all by himself, that there is no authority which gives meaning to life except man himself. Erich Fromm

The goal of life is to make your heartbeat match the beat of the universe, to match your nature with Nature. Joseph Campbell (See also: [nature quotes](#))

Focus on the single purpose of being here and now. Life is a succession of moments. Be faithful to this moment – if it is painful, it will pass. If it is joyful, it will also pass. Paulo Coelho

Life is short. That's all there is to say. Get what you can from the present, thoughtfully, justly. Marcus Aurelius

The wiser you get the more you love what is slow, real and meaningful. Maxime Lagacé

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## Part 3. Meaningful Quotes About...

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# Meaningful Quotes About Life

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Life always knows exactly what we need, what we are ready for, and when we are prepared to receive it. Iyanla Vanzant

Life is not a problem. To look at it as a problem is to take a wrong step. It is a mystery to be lived, loved, experienced. Osho

If whatsoever you have been living can be conveyed by words, that means you have not lived at all. Osho

Take life as a beautiful joke. There is nothing to be serious about. Osho

One does not only work in order to live but one lives for the sake of one's work. Max Weber

You know that all I desire and demand of life is to feel an urge to work! Gustov Mahler

Men do not care how nobly they live, but only how long, although it is within the reach of every man to live nobly, but within no man's power to live long. Seneca

The value of life lies not in the length of days, but in the use we make to them; a man may live long, yet get little from life. Whether you find satisfaction in life depends not on your tale of years, but on your will. Michel de Montaigne

Existence is basically a kind of dancing or music – an immensely complex energy pattern which needs no explanation other than itself. Just as we do not ask what is the meaning of fugues by Bach or Mozart. We do not dance to reach a certain point on the floor, but simply to dance. Alan Watts

Nobody else can live the life you live. And even though no human being is perfect, we always have the chance to bring what's unique about us to live in a redeeming way. Fred Rogers

You may not always end up where you thought you were going, but you will always end up where you were meant to be. Paulo Coelho

What you see and what you hear depends a great deal on where you are standing. It also depends on what sort of person you are. C.S. Lewis (The Magician's Nephew)

If we admit that human life can be ruled by reason, then all possibility of life is destroyed. Leo Tolstoy (War and Peace)

We decided that it was no good asking what is the meaning of life, because life isn't an answer, life is the question, and you, yourself, are the answer. Ursula K. Le Guin

And all the voices, all the goals, all the yearnings, all the sorrows, all the pleasures, all the good and evil, all of them together was the world. All of them together was the stream of events, the music of life. Hermann Hesse (Siddhartha)

All events of the world are of little importance if you don't have self-knowledge. Maxime Lagacé

My life is about subtraction, carving away the excess to reveal the essential. Rosie Leizrowice

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## Meaningful Quotes About Tough Times

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Suffering ceases to be suffering at the moment it finds a meaning. Viktor Frankl (Man's Search for Meaning)

What man actually needs is not a tensionless state but rather the striving and struggling for some goal worthy of him. Viktor Frankl

The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph. What we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly: it is dearness only that gives every thing its value. Thomas Paine

Challenges are what make life interesting and overcoming them is what makes life meaningful. Joshua J. Marine

What you are being challenged by may be the very thing you've been waiting for. Iyanla Vanzant

The conditions we face do not define us. They remind us of who we are and who we want to be. Iyanla Vanzant

In life, it doesn't matter what happens to you or where you came from. It matters what you do with what happens and what you've been given. Ryan Holiday

Every man is called upon to make something of himself. Perhaps this was the most revolutionary idea of world history. Walter Kaufmann

Real pleasure comes from overcoming challenges, feeling confidence in your abilities, and experiencing the power this brings. Robert Greene (Mastery) (See also: [never give up quotes](#))

A little pain is a reminder of the value of everyday good health. A small betrayal reveals a person's nature, allowing you to avoid darker surprises in the future. The death of a friend is a reminder to better appreciate those friends still living. Contrast gives life meaning.

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Everyone needs a meaningful mountain to climb. Some of us are given mountains we didn't ask for, putting us at a disadvantage when it comes to climbing the mountain we really want to climb, but having a mountain to climb and master is a real human need. Scott Barry Kaufman

Everything happens for a reason. The hardest part is to find the reason. Paulo Coelho

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## Meaningful Quotes About Work, Service

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Where your talents and the needs of the world cross, there lies your calling. Aristotle

Success is not about competition – it's about contribution. Adam Grant

Give yourself a project. Something you want to accomplish, produce, or a dedication to a worthy cause. This is how you give your life purpose. The meaning of life is only what you make it. Ed Latimore

Pursue what catches your heart, not what catches your eyes. Roy T. Bennett (The Light in the Heart)

You can only become truly accomplished at something you love. Don't make money your goal. Instead pursue the things you love. [Maya Angelou](#)

Creation is a better means of self-expression than possession; it is through creating, not possessing, that life is revealed. Vida Dutton Scudder

Service is the rent we pay to be living. It is the very purpose of life and not something you do in your spare time. Marian Wright Edelman

When I fight about what is going on in the neighborhood, or when I fight about what is happening to other people's children, I'm doing that because I want to leave a community and a world that is better than the one I found. Marian Wright Edelman

Life is never more fun than when you're the underdog competing against the giants. Ross Perot

We need much more in life than money. We need a sense of purpose. Service gives you purpose. Iyanla Vanzant

If you define success in terms of winning and losing, you've already lost. The higher you climb, the more your success depends on making others successful. The most rewarding way to live is to find as much joy in others' success as you do in your own. Adam Grant (See also: [success quotes](#))

I believe that it is as much a right and duty for women to do something with their lives as for men and we are not going to be satisfied with such frivolous parts as you give us. Louisa May Alcott

Don't aim at success...For success, like happiness, cannot be pursued; it must ensue, and it only does so as the unintended side effect of one's dedication to a cause greater than oneself or as the by-product of one's surrender to a person other than oneself. Viktor Frankl

Joy can be real only if people look upon their life as a service, and have a definite object in life outside themselves and their personal happiness. Leo Tolstoy

The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity. Leo Tolstoy

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See also: [Jordan Peterson – Do What is Meaningful, Not What is Expedient](#) (4 minutes YouTube video)

## Meaningful Quotes About Love

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I have learned that there is more power in a good strong hug than in a thousand meaningful words. Ann Hood

A purpose of human life, no matter who is controlling it, is to love whoever is around to be loved. Kurt Vonnegut

To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world. Bill Wilson

Staying vulnerable is a risk we have to take if we want to experience connection. Brené Brown

When we fulfill our function, which is to truly love ourselves and share love with others, then true happiness sets in. Gabrielle Bernstein (May Cause Miracles)

Vulnerability is the birthplace of love, belonging, joy, courage, empathy, and creativity. It is the source of hope, empathy, accountability, and authenticity. If we want greater clarity in our purpose or deeper and more meaningful spiritual lives, vulnerability is the path. Brené Brown

One can live magnificently in this world if one knows how to work and how to love. Leo Tolstoy

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## Meaningful Quotes About Relationships, Friendship

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Try your best to make goodness attractive. That's one of the toughest assignments you'll ever be given. Fred Rogers

Watch over human beings. Our lives are short. The only rewards of our existence here are an unstained character and unselfish acts. Marcus Aurelius

Every person you meet plays an important role in facilitating your understanding of your purpose. Iyanla Vanzant

Connection is why we're here; it is what gives purpose and meaning to our lives. Brené Brown

The suffering you experience and overcome creates a future opportunity to help someone get through a similar pain. Your suffering becomes your purpose. Bill Masur

Don't worry about whether or not in every point you are perfectly right according to everybody's books: you are right before God as far as you can go and you are fighting for a truth that is clear enough and important enough. What more can anybody do? Thomas Merton

If our lives are filled with purpose, we won't be distracted looking for everyone's approval. Bob Goff

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See also: [The Purpose of Friendship](#) (6 minutes YouTube video by The School of Life)

## Meaningful Quotes About Sadness

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| The idea that there's somewhere we have got to get to, something we have to attain is our basic delusion. Tenzin Palmo

| When you don't know who you are, chances are you don't know what you want. Iyanla Vanzant

| Everything in the world is gloriously meaningless. Alan Watts

| It's easy to confuse a lot of activity with a purposeful life. Bob Goff

| Whatever it is you're seeking won't come in the form you're expecting. Haruki Murakami (Kafka on the Shore)

| Every intelligent individual wants to know what makes him tick, and yet is at once fascinated and frustrated by the fact that oneself is the most difficult of all things to know. Alan Watts

| If you don't have the strength to make hard decisions, you'll always have a difficult life. Ed Latimore

| What could I say to you that would be of value, except that perhaps you seek too much, that as a result of your seeking you cannot find. Hermann Hesse (Siddhartha)

| I believe that I am not responsible for the meaningfulness or meaninglessness of life, but that I am responsible for what I do with the life I've got. Hermann Hesse

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## **Meaningful Quotes About Happiness**

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| Anything you're good at contributes to happiness. Bertrand Russell

| All happiness depends on courage and work. Honoré de Balzac

| Meaning becomes lost when happiness becomes the goal. Carlos Del Valle

| Pleasure becomes secondary when your life is filled with purpose. Carlos Del Valle

| Happiness is not the surplus of pleasant over unpleasant moments. Rather, happiness consists in seeing one's life in its entirety as meaningful and worthwhile. Yuval Noah Harari

| Freedom isn't secured by filling up on your heart's desire but by removing your desire. Epictetus

To be happy you have to be doing something you not only enjoy, but admire. Paul Graham

I wish, as well as everybody else, to be perfectly happy; but, like everybody else, it must be in my own way. Jane Austen

Ultimately, the most meaningful freedom in your life comes from your commitments, the things in life for which you have chosen to sacrifice. Mark Manson

Whenever you act according to your own light, there is immense fulfillment, a deep rejoicing. Osho

Happiness is within. It has nothing to do with how much applause you get or how many people praise you. Happiness comes when you believe that you have done something truly meaningful. Martin Yan

Never stop changing and never stop being unpredictable; only then can life be a joy. Osho

You can be a writer, painter, musician or even successful businessman. But in the end, your true calling is to arrive at yourself. Until you merge back to your true self, you will continue to feel that it is not enough, and something is still missing. Haemin Sunim

Always ask yourself if what you're doing today is getting you closer to where you want to be tomorrow. Paulo Coelho

You don't need anyone's approval: live your life and do what makes you happy. Paulo Coelho (See also: [be yourself quotes](#))

After all, what matters is not the first, but the last chapter of our life which shows how well we ran the race. Paulo Coelho

Have regular hours for work and play; make each day both useful and pleasant, and prove that you understand the worth of time by employing it well. Then youth will bring few regrets, and life will become a beautiful success. Louisa May Alcott (Little Women)

A man knows when he has found his vocation when he stops thinking about how to live and begins to live. Thomas Merton

I learned that real happiness doesn't come from getting but from giving. Gabrielle Bernstein (May Cause Miracles)

Those only are happy (I thought) who have their minds fixed on some object other than their own happiness; on the happiness of others, on the improvement of mankind, even on some art or pursuit, followed not as a means, but as itself an ideal end. Aiming thus at something else, they find happiness by the way. John Stuart Mill (Autobiography)

There is only one inborn error, and that is the notion that we exist in order to be happy... So long as we persist in this inborn error... the world seems to us full of contradictions. For at every step, in things great and small, we are bound to experience that the world and life are certainly not arranged for the purpose of maintaining a happy existence... hence the countenances of almost all elderly persons wear the expression of what is called disappointment. Arthur Schopenhauer

I'm doing what I think I was put on this Earth to do. Marian Wright Edelman

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The big question is whether you are going to be able to say a hearty yes to your adventure.  
Joseph Campbell

I don't believe people are looking for the meaning of life as much as they are looking for the experience of being alive. Joseph Campbell

We are travelers on a cosmic journey. We have stopped for a moment to encounter each other, to meet, to love, to share. This is a precious moment, a little parenthesis in eternity.  
Paulo Coelho (The Alchemist)

The goal of life is a deep relaxation from all effort, being in a dance with the dancing trees, with the dancing stars, rejoicing in existence without any worry, without any mind, just being part of the cosmos. Osho

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