

## I believe in LIFE

I believe in eternal life. That is the life I lead and the purpose for which I am living it. The purpose of my life is not distinctively clear at my young age; however, that does not stop me from believing in my cause. For the purpose of my life shall have a meaning that will live long after my days have ended.

I believe in the gift of life. In which, that life may bring awareness and gratitude for the opportunities that life brings to us all. My purpose in life shall not be bounded, nor valued, by my social or economical accomplishments. For my life will not serve the function of desiring great things upon my personal success. Likewise, my life will serve the purpose of making this world a better place than the one to which I was born into.

I believe in the southern skies. I believe in the clam night upon which a dark canvas has been plastered with bright stars that are hard to distinguish from the array of fireflies on a day in July. I believe in the thought of sharing that sky with my friends and my family. I do not know what my life's purpose can amount to without the beautiful things that this earth offers me. And to the earth I am grateful. This gratitude will lead me to learn and protect the things to which I hold dear.

I believe in the joy I often found as a child playing in the woods. The woods offered my imagination things that no book or teachings could ever. The beauty of nature in its pure form has shaped my life to make me the person I am today. And to the woods I believe I am in debt. For without my experiences in nature I may not know love. I'm reminded of the time I received my first BB gun and was ready to become a great hunter. Of course, that was until I shot my first bird and realized the life I had taken; I quickly changed from a hunter to a veterinarian trying to change what I had done.

For in my life I may make lots of money or build tall buildings, however, that money will not be mine when I'm gone, and those buildings will one day be ruins. However, with my purpose in life being to enhance this world, I know that my function here will have an impression that will last forever, and will hopefully one day spread to many people.

I believe that we all are given the choice to choose the purpose of our own lives. Those choices will take us many places but I truly believe that true life comes from happiness. I believe that the happiness in my life will come from the happiness that I will share with others and my surroundings. And in sharing this happiness I will have open doors into the future for others to share the same opportunities as I have.