

Many itself is equal  
for all, then

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Many have questioned the purpose of life, however I suggest a more relevant question; what is the value of life? Objects, or beings in this case, need not always function to their purpose (if that is, they have one at all). Instead purpose can change or adapt, and sometimes be rendered redundant. Value may be altered, but initially value is fixed and defined. Certain objects for example are evaluated with currency, after time this value depreciates, but the inherent value of the object still remains, perhaps a mere former shadow of itself, but enough to recognise. No one would seriously sell a car for less than a chair. Although their values will depreciate based on time and use, at no point will they be equal unless extremes were taken into account.

This is a part of inherent value. Taking extremes into account, material and function contribute to the overall cost of an object, a chair of pure gold, although not very functional has extreme material value. Can the same processes be used to evaluate a person's life? Is someone's career or genetics akin to purpose and material? What is the quality of substance of life? What is its inherent value? If the substance of life itself is equal for all, then is all consciousness of identical value? If all consciousness is equal, then surely a larger volume of consciousness has more value than a lesser one, in all cases does this mean that two humans are more important than one? Or is the value of the substance of life the experiences a consciousness has selected to be part of and those it has been subjected to? Inherent value is considered to be equal for every human being, technically we are all of the immediate same quality.

The quality of substance however, is another story. What is the value of life? Is there a just quantisation of the value of life? If so, is it subjective or

objective? There are multiple factors that contribute to the value of life for an individual, primarily condition and mentality. Condition may be uncontrollable, it certainly initially is. An individual is not given discretion over the circumstances of which they are born into, nor do they give consent to even be born. As condition is usually consequence of circumstance, your family, your genetics, the location you are born in, the economic environment you are born into and even your legal rights from birth are decided for you, yet they are so influential to your perceived value of existence. Condition can often be crushing, and the lack of control of the parameters by you and those who conceive you make it difficult to decide who to blame.

Family wealth is a condition that will affect you throughout your life, those born with enough money to satiate their needs will think differently from those with abundance or from those who are deprived. It is hard to imagine the financial circumstance of a class you do not belong to, the rich are not greedy, the poor are no more or less money obsessed and the middle class don't scorn those below and suck up to those above. Economic situation is a difficult condition, it changes continuously throughout time, in the modern era the number of people who are in extreme poverty is at its minimum, people now, have more access to all resources required for sustenance than ever before in history.

And as time goes on this will only improve. However the clear class division based on economic situation is still worldly apparent. Those more unfortunate will not have the material luxury afforded by those who are above them. The

quality of life is definitely impacted by the economic situation, but the primary effect is based on the individual's perception of their own class.

After all, how can you envy others for things that you are not aware exist? Mentality is more subjective, it is under your "control". The various factors of mentality differ from one individual to another, however, circumstance is very influential to mentality. It seems that life's value is determined by sheer luck.

Those who are blissfully ignorant shall love life. And those subject to suffering, be it mental or physical will not be able to ignore it. Is the value of life then predetermined by initial conditions? Perhaps so... Is it then a futile attempt to try and improve or assign a greater value to one's own existence?