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Philosophers from ancient Persia and Greece to modern day philosophers all view love as the ultimate universal law.

Harvard sociologist, Dr. Suroken said: "Love is a single, most powerful, and potent force for influencing and changing behavior."

Author Thomas Wolf writes: "Love is the ultimate expression of the will to live."

Author Anthony Walsh writes: "By universal acclaim love is the noblest, most powerful, most beautiful, and most meaningful experience of humanity."

Professor of education, Leo Buscaglia said: "Love is at the heart of life . . . Love is THE most essential aspect of life. Without love we miss the essence of life."

Best-selling author John Robbins writes: "I have been with a number of people who were dying and listened to them express regrets over their nearly complete lives...I never heard a dying person who said: 'I regret not making more money, or being more successful in business'. The greatest regrets have to do with not having expressed enough love."

Dr. Andrew Wiel, M.D. said: "Love is the one source of sustaining comfort in life, and it is of such force that it has miraculous powers of healing in the physical, mental, and spiritual realms."

Best selling author Louise L. Hay says: "Love is a natural thing; it is simply there, if we don't push it away. We are each born with love in us."

Dr. Benjamin Shield said: "Love is not something that we must create, love is in us. Love is our essence. Love is the fundamental energy that nourishes us."

Dr. Stephen Covey says: "Love is the supreme activity of life ... and you need to draw upon the divine energy of God to really love... Love is not a feeling, but a decision ... Love is a verb...Love something you do."

And to clarify what we have TO DO for the one we love ... Spiritual author Jean Vanier writes: "To love someone is primarily the act of REVEALING to someone their beauty ... Love is not to give someone your riches, but TO REVEAL to that someone their riches... To love someone is to see inside the person the good that is there and to affirm it."

Eric Fromm said: "Love is the last hope of the problems of human existence."

And the ultimate definition of love is recorded in the first letter of John, chapter 4, verse 8, when John states: "God is love."