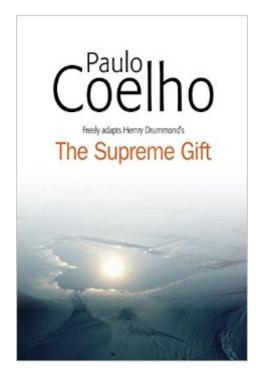
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Synopsis

"I thought that I had already thought about everything you could think about Love when Henry Drummondâ [™]s sermon fell into my hands. My life changed a lot from the moment I read the words in this book and tried to put his teaching into practice." Paulo Coelho ------ "If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal." At some point, all of us have heard this passage from St. Paulâ ™s Letter to the Corinthians. But do we really understand his message? At the end of the 19th century, the young missionary Henry Drummond was asked to replace a famous preacher. Though at the beginning he did not convince the audience, they were soon captivated by his analysis of the words of the Apostle Paul. This sermon, The Greatest Thing in the World, has become a classic and is, without doubt, one of the most beautiful texts ever written on love. Drummond broke it down into the following nine elements: patience, kindness, generosity, humility, gentleness, dedication, tolerance, sincerity and innocence. Contrary to what we are used to hearing, the greatest treasure in the spiritual life is not faith, but love. No matter what your religious beliefs are, this feeling is, without doubt, the most rewarding way to live. In The Supreme Gift, Paulo Coelho adapts Henry Drummondâ ™s text, offering a real and powerful message that will help us incorporate love into our daily life and experience all its transformational power in our lives.

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Texts show up at the right moment in your life. This one happened to be published and discovered by me at such time. It is a quick read, but worth the time. The breakdown of the parts that make up love is very simple. I never thought of it that way. I am positive that everyone will discover something new in their thoughts on love and Paul's letter to the Corinthians. Enjoy.

Love, the most important, the most simple yet most complicated. Coelho has a way with describing the greatest power of life....love, in a most simplistic way. Oh, to know and have the reciprocity of loving kindness, most go mad trying to discover or create what should be most honest and pure.

The author give us some elements to help to understand the real meaning of life: LOVE. What's the real meaning of love? I'm convinced that this book respond fully to this question. It's the kind of book that need to be read by anyone

A beautiful short story originally written by Henry Dummond mid to end 1800's was adapted by a brilliant Brazilian author Paulo Coelho (author of the well known novel "The Alchemist".) This is a story of a man asked by a famous Preacher to speak to a large group of people who were intent on hearing from the well known Preacher. The people that had gathered were disappointed yet listened to this man as the entire story unfolds with the crowd finding a wealth of peace and fulfillment as they learned about what all mankind asks themselves, "what is the purpose of life." In perhaps the shortest piece written on the requirement for love in our hearts and our existence, Cohelo manages to dissect living into faith hope and love. In so, showing us how love is unquestionably the key most important element in living. Showing us how love is the Secret of Life, allowing us to reach with him the only conclusion possible. Love is the only thing that endures. This is The Supreme Gift. A book you will want to keep close to you and re-read often.

This is a book everyone should read at least once every year. I agree it is life changing! It's good to change sometimes our perspective of what is essential. This is one of the books that if its concepts were applied by 1% of the people in our planet, the world would be a much better place. Thank you, Paulo, for spreading the word! A must read.

I like how he broke it down to just love, we make it so hard and it's a very simple action.

i never thought to hold up love against faith. i think when we are disappointed in love, we resort to faith, to block the pain out. the only cure is to love again. you can't hold people at arms length for too long because the whole world moves on without you, no matter what state you are in. you can choose to sit on the sidelines or participate. there will always be opposition to love. some find solace in hatred. but its easier to love than to hate. it requires the least amount of effort. i don't know why people make life difficult for themselves. self defense mechanisms i guess.

I read books about spirituality and love; they make me feel good and with much love for the people, things, animals, and even situations of every day life. Sometimes, I re-read my books when I need a refresher and I have also read books from Paulo Coelho. However, I am very disappointed at this book and I do not recommend it. I would recommend the bible before I recommend this one. I always find at least a small but powerful sentence in a book that will make me give a good review; in this book, however, I found nothing impactful that justifies the time invested even when a short read.

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