

## Book review: When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough By Charmaine Chu Wen, Lo

"When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough" is a book for young people to learn what a meaningful life is. I'd recommend this book to the people who wondered: "How can I die peacefully without leaving a trail and being forgotten?"

Harold Kushner helps people who felt they are too old to change and make a new beginning. In this book, he gave many examples of people worrying about wasting their lives. Ecclesiastes, being one example, is written by a "frightened" man with the fear of wasting his life. "What difference does it make if I am wise and my neighbor is foolish? How about if I am honest and he is wicked? In either event, the stories of our lives will end the same way: We will die and then be forgotten. All my learning, all my good deeds will die with me." Harold Kushner gave examples especially for his readers to tell them that they were not the only ones worrying about the desire of a meaningful life.

I treat life as a game. When I chose a wrong path, I receive a punishment. Unlike computer games, you can't correct your mistakes. My present game is real life and punishment for wrong doing is truly painful.

I usually wonder the difference between religion and science. Religion is what we believe as traditional folk tales whilst science is what we observe is proved to be true. I dream about a fight between religion and science. We had to vote for one of them. When I was ready to vote for the science side, I was scared to disobey god. If I chose the religions, it means that all hard work and information about science is wrong. When I meet Harold Kushner, I shall ask which side he'll choose.

I enjoyed this book because many questions were answered. I hope many readers will use this book as a guide to enjoy a meaningful life.

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