## HAPPINESS IS?

Les Brown: Happiness is living out your dreams.

*Shankara*: Happiness is never what it actually seems.

Mae West: Happiness is money 'n diamonds 'n fame.

*Buddha:* Happiness is calmly accepting the inevitability of pain.

*Heinlein:* Happiness is caring about others – not jus' yersself.

Jimi Hendrix: Happiness is an electric guitar 'n a yelp!

Abe Lincoln: Happiness is a decision - a choice of how to be.

*Tim Leary:* Happiness is transcending ordinary reality.

William Reich: Happiness is warm, wet jizz.

Sigmund Freud: Happiness is a balance between superego and id.

*Gandhi*: Happiness is a unity of thought, speech, and deed.

Dan Gilbert: Happiness is a futile as long as there is any "you" or "me".

Moses: Happiness is fulfilling God's commands.

Ed Glaeser: Happiness is overrated, can't you see?

Will: One thing is clear: our society certainly has many conflicting

messages about happiness.

*Wan-Sze:* (nodding) Yeah. Believing that happiness is the primary

reason for life is tragicomic.

*Nadia:* Well, can life be reduced to any single "master narrative"?

*Kasim:* (reflecting carefully) Some people believe so, but that belief

carries a steep price.

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