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Sacrifice.

A mother's death for the life of her child,
A gallant soldier on the gruesome battlefield;
A man risking his health to support a family,
Life.

Forgiveness.

God relieving tormented souls,
A merchant excusing a poverty-stricken thief;
A man to the woman that broke his heart,
Life.

Acceptance.

Opening oneself to a new religion,
Understanding another's different way of life;
Recognizing the irritating characteristics of a friend,
Life.

Love.

The affection of a patriot for his country,
The irresistibility between two predestined
soulmates;
A young mother's attachment to her unborn child,
Life.

Meaning.

A small fish's place in the continuous food chain,
A garbage collector's job in the community;
The way one person's life affects the future of
others,
Life.