

Wow, what can I say people but this is a text full of selfishness. At an obvious reading, the man literally sees himself in other people...

Sure you can say its selfless by arguing that life is a process and that there is no underlying structure to seeing yourself in others but rather a need to live with the moment; however, I will say its selfish because no person can truly live life as a process in a world that commands we use will and want to live the lives we decide.

A mail man decides to become a mailman in most cases. That is because he desires pay (as one option among many other things he could desire) in most cases. Now, if you desire pay then your nature becomes what is resemblant of those who also want pay in at least one association. Perhaps, they will choose to spend money they won in the lottery on business ventures that will get them more pay. That is, pay leads to consumption and some consumption leads to more consumption with more pay. That's called the marginal propensity to consume. By statistics, the average person is spending over 90% of their pay no matter who they are.

This lucky mailman is selfish because he neglects how money can help him live. Rather, he lives for money instead of having money to live. It is obvious that if he puts the lottery money into a savings account he can provide enough money to live for himself and others for many days, even decades. Yet, what isn't obvious is how should the man be after winning the lottery.

If he is selfish, then he will want more. Since a fact of the world is the marginal propensity to consume, then most people will want and they will want more after their first paycheck.

Because I think the world sets us up to be selfish by having will and want as things we get more of as we acquire them, I also think we are selfish to want and to will.

However...

I think selflessness is just living to live.

If the lucky mail man is not selfish, then he will only be himself and live life after winning the lottery.

My conclusion that he will only be himself is not selfishness because being yourself is a right of life. It is when you want yourself to be more than you are that you become selfish. And who wants more when they are already living well?

If you think he is selfless, then you will agree with me that seeing himself in other people is completely fair for him to think when it's the case that he's thinking life is a process and that everyone is just living.

If you read and understood this essay: here's a link to a nested part of my website where you can submit a response arguing why seeing yourself in others is not a selfish way to live life. You

have to include in your argument what is seen as the beginning point for your analysis. Do this well in my eyes and you get to replace any test, excepting the EOC, with a 100%.