



Leo Buscaglia, Ph. D.

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“Everything is filtered through me, and so the greater I am, the more I have to give. The greater knowledge I have, the more I’m going to have to give. The greater understanding I have, the greater is my ability to teach others and to make myself the most fantastic, the most beautiful, the most wondrous, the most tender human being in the world.”

Leo Buscaglia was a brilliant lecturer, teacher, and writer whose primary focus was on life and the juice it takes to make it as meaningful as possible. Buscaglia is to love what Sigmund Freud is to psychology. His life’s work was to teach people the joy and art of love which he did with great enthusiasm and passion.

Leo was a charismatic and demonstrative man who resisted the circulation of hatred throughout the world and faced it with an advocacy of love for all. He showed an investment and connection with each person he met, seeing them as individuals full of beauty and leaving them with his energy and his message that, “We are so much less without each other.”

In addition to providing motivational speeches across the globe, Leo gave valuable insight in books including: Love, Personhood, Living, Loving & Learning, and Because I am Human. Buscaglia further applied himself by establishing the Felice Foundation in 1984. This organization was designed and dedicated to supporting organizations whose primary goal is to improve and support the lives of others.

The Felice Foundation currently provides grants for volunteer programs which assist socio-economically challenged children and persons with disabilities. It also supports after-school programs, programs that provide food and emotional support, tutoring establishments, senior citizen assistance, and child abuse prevention programs.

Leo Buscaglia fortified the strength of all those who work in social services with his inspiring and encouraging words. Further still, his organization continues to touch the lives of numerous communities in an effort to resist the cold of the world.