

## *Love vs. Desire*

Love and desire:  
both are powerful,  
but desire is force,  
while love is strength.

Desire demands:

"I want."

Love demurs:

"I give."

Desire pursues:

"I want more."

Love continues:

"I live for."

Desire cries:

"I want it all."

Love replies:

"All I want is you."

Desire whines

and craves;

love combines

and creates.

Desire piles up possessions  
and power;

love nurtures persons  
and possibilities.

Desire feeds attachment  
and leads to frustration;  
love fosters detachment  
and brings to fruition.

Desire looks out

for *me*;

love gazes

at *us*.

Desire may bridge

a chasm;

love can fill

an abyss.

Desire can be

excessive;

there is never

too much love.

Love, therefore, is

the best kind

of desire;

but desire can be

a false kind

of love.

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