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Context (Where Found / Viewed / Read?)

I encountered this photograph via Google Images while searching for photos with a purpose or meaning behind them.

Content / CD / Summary / Precis (Say? "Plot? Setting/Situation? Key lines/phrases scenes, etc?)

This photo depicts a lone road cutting through a luscious looking forest filled with rows of trees on either side. Grass and a few other shrubs and bushes also constitute the flora of the photograph. The road eventually goes out of sight as it turns slightly towards the left in the distant background of the photo. The time of the day appears to be around dawn, and the sun's rays are shining through the gaps in the trees onto parts of the road and the grass.

Content / CM / Meaning? / Theme(s)?

The most significant aspect of this photo is the fact that it depicts a scene with the sun rising in the morning on a normal day. The only reason humans keep track of time is so that they can bring order and structure to their pursuits and endeavors, giving them a reason and a purpose to accomplish their tasks. Thus, each morning represents another opportunity to truly live, to tackle the day, and to find meaning within it. Every day that goes by ultimately means one less day on earth, and, when it is put into such a perspective, each day becomes more and more valuable, especially as one progresses in his life. The morning then begins to symbolize that a person has persisted and endured to live another day, granting him the ability to start afresh and renewed and to make the best of it. By carving out an amazing day, all those amazingly meaningful days would eventually add up to a beautiful life full of joy, happiness, and achievement.

Form (Diction? Construction Terms? Symbolism?)

The morning symbolizes a new beginning, a completely fresh start to take advantage of and utilize to the best of one's abilities. Perhaps people may never realize it, but each day offers a variety of new and different opportunities, and it is solely up to them to choose how they are to approach and live each day. The beginning of a new day may not mean that everything starts over per se, but it at least means that a person has been granted again the gift of life, another opportunity to truly live.

Commentary (What do you want to say? Why like? Questions? Synthesis / Allusions-Connections / Relevance to personal experience, to literature, 20Q's? etc.)? "Poetic" Traits?

This photo is significantly poetic because it encourages people to live in the now, to approach life step by step, and to find meaning and purpose in every day they live out on earth. The picture encourages people to be grateful and appreciative of every day they are alive, suggesting the beauty of human existence, and it also motivates the viewer to actively take advantage of life rather than to passively watch it pan out day by day. The picture may simply appear as a vacant road surrounded by trees, but the presence of the perpendicular light rays, suggesting that it is morning time, yields a much more complex and profound meaning. The desolate, vacant representation of nature symbolizes the various open niches, or roles and opportunities, that are open for a person to inhabit and utilize at the start of each day. How a person decides to act upon these openings ultimately determines the meaning and purpose he discovers in life.

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