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Abstract

R.K. Narayan's *The Financial Expert* presents the reality of human essence. Human beings intrinsically reflect their true identity, human love and compassion. The major characters Margayya, Minakshy, Balu, Dr.Pal and others, seem to be show their pride and arrogance and dominating each other but in reality they love and want to be loved. They reflect their common nature of love, affection and enhancement of life. Though they have some dissimilarities about the philosophy of life, they come together and become able to make consensus in the matter of love and human relationship. For them, the real essence of life is to enhance love not hatred. Narayan initially shows the so-called essence of money. He seems to say that money is life and that without money, life is nothing but later he shows the value of love and harmony which are so essential for happiness in life. Margayya, the protagonist in the novel, is at first living a shallow life under the illusion that money can offer all the blessings of life. However, he is soon disillusioned and his love for money is replaced by the reality of family reunion. Margayya finally is shown as an ordinary human being like us and not a monster of greed and wickedness. The Financial Expert thus shows Narayan's belief in humanity and personal relationship rather than the established creeds and general convictions.

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