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### Not About a Mirror

Beauty. A word. With meanings that confuse you, ones that hinder you from the true meaning. The one that nobody sees.

They say beauty is pain. But then they say no one likes pain. Then why do we care about beauty anyway?

Well, what is beauty? Beauty is the qualities and personality of a person that define them and leave an everlasting impression on others. That's it, it's not so complicated. I think it's time we understand. If they say looking beautiful is important then what would life be without it? In a nutshell, life would be blissful, joyful, and stress-free. Because we would accept ourselves, and wouldn't change ourselves for others. We would stay true to who we are, and we wouldn't constantly look in a mirror. Don't compare yourself to others, that's not the point. Beauty is within you, it's skin deep. It's a feeling. Don't lead others away from what it means, guide them, and show them the truth because it's fading away into oblivion. Otherwise, there'll only be lies that are shadowing the truth of beauty.

It's not about a mirror, it's about the personality. The lies are clouding your judgment, they are mixing everything up. You must find the truth out of the lies, otherwise you will never know what beauty means. The meaning some are desperately trying to hide.

Beauty isn't about what you see in the mirror, it's about what you don't.