2024 Adult Winner, Mike Dexter-Smith

"It's Kindness"

It's a feeling of joy, without planning.

It's your life work, without heavy lifting.

It's your personality resonating, with little celebrating.

It's a gratitude, a pathway for helping.

It's honest behavior, that isn't overpowering.

It's the core of humanity – the essence of being.

It's power innate, perceived and glowing.

It's a pattern of being, without seeing.

It's taught; too often not, sad parenting.

It's a lifestyle that is so forgiving.

It's non-escalation, with two sides agreeing.

It's retort may be fleeting, but its long term affect, sustaining.

It's not power, no long-term controlling.

It's not a goal but its power is commanding.

It's a life purpose, totally fulfilling.

It's a wish, without any requiring.

It's respect and I care, without conditioning.

It's pure intentions with no misunderstandings.

It's simple and uncompromising.

It's not an end or a beginning.

It's within you, a way of life or nothing.

It's ignored by so many – they are losing.

It's an action that is, perhaps, dying.

It's a skill to be learned, by trying.

It's to be embraced by every being.

It's our life's book ending.

It's pure

It's simple

it's kindness