

Of Life, Death & Salvation

Foreword

Here you can read a philosophical treatise to each song of the current album of Orizen. Every song is based on a quotation of Schopenhauer and here I explain to you all the meanings behind these quotes and the lyrics which are based on them.

From April the 30th 2015 each day a new chapter will be released, so keep on watching if you get caught by the beauty of Schopenhauer's philosophy and the way I present it here to you.

I read the books of Schopenhauer in German, which is his mother tongue, so I had the pleasure of reading them in its original beauty. So each chapter starts here with a quotation in its original German form but followed by an English translation – which my father has thankfully done – and which was sometimes not very easy to do, but in the end we captured the spirit of Schopenhauer really good I think. His texts appear to me sometimes almost as a lengthy but never boring poem and in my opinion it is also art that he produced in his books, not just philosophy. To be sure that the reader really understands what Schopenhauer meant with his sayings I explain the quotes very exactly in my comments and writings. Nevertheless anybody who has questions, proposals or other provocations :-)) can contact me via the [contact form](#).

Beside this I want to admit for the sake of honesty that I adopted some parts from the English Wikipedia article about Schopenhauer while writing the „Introduction: A Short Biography of Schopenhauer“ – but the entire rest of the articles are **thoroughly my own written thoughts** inspired by the brilliant mind of Schopenhauer, so please **respect the copyrights** if you want to copy the whole text or a part of it.

But now lean back and enjoy!