Alexandre Dumas; The Count of Monte Cristo

There is neither happiness nor unhappiness in this world; there is only the comparison of one state with another. Only a man who has felt ultimate despair is capable of feeling ultimate bliss. It is necessary to have wished for death in order to know how good it is to live.....the sum of all human wisdom will be contained in these two words: Wait and Hope.

Betsy Sauter

ultimate despair is to have wished for death to know all human wisdom