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There once was a man who went out walking in a field. It was very arid, like a desert, just sand, dirt, and rocks. There wasn't any particularly good scenery to look at, and there wasn't any particular reason to be where he was. As he was walking along this field, he saw something shiny. He bent down and picked it up – it was a diamond. He couldn't believe that he found a diamond in such a place. He continued walking a little further and there was another diamond. As far as he knew, this was a real diamond. He walked a little further and found another one, and another one. In time, he had a whole handful of diamonds. He stuffed his pocket with diamonds. He found some more and some more. Everywhere he went, he found more diamonds.

At some point, he had an inspiration. He said, "If I found all these things. They couldn't possibly be diamonds." He emptied his pockets and threw the diamonds back onto the field. He said to himself, "If these are diamonds, why isn't everyone else taking them? If these are diamonds, how come there's so many? If these are diamonds, how come I'm the one who is finding them? If I'm the one who found them, they can't really be diamonds. If they were really diamonds, there wouldn't be so many of them." He argued himself out of the fact that they were diamonds. Because he was the one who found them. Because they were in this barren field. Because he had always believed that they were extremely rare.

Just because you found a lot of them doesn't mean they aren't diamonds. Just because you find them everywhere doesn't mean they're not diamonds. A diamond is a diamond because it's a diamond. Happiness: because it's plentiful, it doesn't mean it's not there, and because you find it everywhere and you can see it, and it was something you never thought you could see, it doesn't mean it's not true.