

ACCEPTANCE AND INSECURITIES



Let's be honest, the past couple of weeks have been terrible, especially here, in America. Hate has been spreading faster than the Corona Virus and so far, it seems like it will never end. Many of us are confused and shocked about what is going on in society, but I am not writing this article to talk about politics. I want to talk about acceptance and equality.

The sad truth is, people in America and almost everywhere else are separated into a number of groups. We are divided by race, sexuality, income, and basically every other difference that people can find. Even though this might not be stated out loud, it still happens. Whenever we meet someone, we categorize them and they categorize us into specific groups subconsciously, which will determine how our relationship will be moving going forward. Some people choose to notice this process and act on it, and others ignore it and continue on with their lives.

We need to remember that in the end, we are all just people. We all love, we all cry, and we all go through problems in life. Some may be harder than others, but they vary as we do. Without the significant or minimal differences presented in our species, there would be nothing to make each and every one of us special. What society claims to be flawed are the distinctions that make every single one of us unique. Even though everyone has their own preferences, it doesn't mean we get to force them on to other people. Just because you don't prefer something does not mean it's not perfect in its own way. It is time to accept all differences because being different is being human and we all should be equal.

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Although accepting others for their differences is very important, it only makes up half of the entire process. Accepting yourself is the other half. Most of us are negatively impacted by the segregation that happens in our world. Even though we do not want to, we can't help but feel insecure about the shame we get from certain of our features. Some natural characteristics are considered ugly and abnormal. When we accept everyone and their beautiful differences, it will allow ourselves to come to terms with any insecurity or problem we see when we look in the mirror. Many people aren't only ashamed of how they look; some people don't accept the way they talk, act, or even the way they dress. Sometimes, people take their dejection out on other people, creating a chain of harsh words, leading to a chain of insecurities. We all are or get nervous to show the world some part of ourselves, no matter how big or how small. We need to realize that everyone has insecurities and we need to spread the word that everyone is accepted and are perfect the way they are.

The word perfect itself has no meaning set in stone. Everyone's definition is different, so in a way, we are all perfectly perfect. Acceptance and equality come together. We need to apply both of them to our world and it's human beings. Right now, the American people are presenting what they believe is wrong to the world. The time has come to set aside our differences and stand as one behind the goal of unity. Instead of separating people into groups and categorize based on their characteristics, let us invite everyone with open arms. No matter how big, how small we are, no matter how light or how dark we are, and no matter who we love or what we like, we are all human.

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