



We See

What We See Changes Who We Are

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Youths of Tomorrow

By WITNESS Youth Staff

As a young man I see the world as a beautiful place, if we only allow teenagers to make mistakes. What elders don't realize is that they were once teenagers and that they also made mistakes. All mistakes are good because we can learn from them.

Society sees youths as delinquents and idiots. I personally think that we as youths are the next generation and are more technology-abled individuals. I believe that we need to stop listening to all the negative things society attributes to us youths and try to live as best as

we can, doing what is right and what is just. We need to think better of ourselves to make the best of ourselves.

The role of my generation is to better what our previous generation has made; we can only do this with positive support and not criticism. Our main role is to pave a better tomorrow for the next generation

Youths, I would like to ask you a question: What do you think your role in society is and if you had a chance to make a difference what would that be?



WITNESS Youth setting up scene for filming during film camp.

A Bite of Guyana

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Being part of the Witness Project for two years has inspired and changed me. I am a female teenager and the society that I live in, I would describe it as being mixed up. You may ask why I say that; well here some people may respect you while others don't. Drug addicts, alcohol addicts, etc. are all part of this society I reside in. I know I haven't seen the full meaning of life yet, but I know for sure I don't want to fall victim to the dangers of this society.

People in my society would view me as a juvenile delinquent; they may think I'm stupid to be influenced by drugs or be friends

with these people. If youths wear shorts with a tank top walking down the road, they are automatically labeled a juvenile delinquent.

Being this young, I think I have the right to live my life the best that I can. And to try to change my surroundings to be good and happy. I live my life hoping that this aids the future, and I pray that people start giving respect to everyone, even the street people.

I was once asked this question: "What is your role in this society?" and I responded with what I said above: "What is your purpose?"



WITNESS Youth reviewing script during film camp.

Miracle

By WITNESS Youth Staff

I feel like I'm just gazing out at them,
Screaming out but my voice seems to be lost in the polluted air
Don't they know that there's something going on?
What they're harming with their indecision.
The skies are darkening, where has the sun gone?
I wonder who'll be left standing when I'm gone?
There'll be nothing left but a vision.

It's too easy to turn a blind eye to the light,
It's too easy to bow your head and pray,
It's time for us to get a move on.
There are some times when you should try to find your voice
And this is one voice that you must find today.

Are you hoping for a miracle, as the ice caps melt away?
No use hoping for a miracle,
There's a price we'll have to pay.
You sit in your homes and think everything will be alright
For no one knows what's happening under the cover
Open you eyes friend!!!

It's too easy to turn a blind eye to the light,
It's too easy to bow your head and pray.
Let's join hands together and build a brighter future okay?
For there are some times when you should try to find your voice.
This is one voice that you must find today

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No use hoping for a miracle,
Are you hoping for a miracle, as the ice caps melt away?
No use hoping for a miracle,
There's a price we'll have to pay.

We take for granted how beautiful of a place the planet Earth is. Our planet is one in a million, maybe even a billion or trillion. And yet we seem to be doing everything in our power to mess it up beyond all recognition.



WITNESS Youth prepping young actor for filming during film camp.

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