

Denied Equality?

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I believe that there are many simple human rights that are being taken away from many people in other countries around the world even today. I do not think that is fair at all. For example some people are not allowed to speak whenever they want. How are they supposed to communicate or get their point across?

Last year we had freedom week. All week we learned about freedoms that we had, but others did not. One day during the week we had a no speech day. All day we could not talk unless we were called on. It was really hard not to talk or say things to your friends or even tell your teacher thank you when they gave you your paper back. Throughout the day I watched as my fellow classmates slowly decreased in numbers as more and more of them lost the battle of no speech. It was tough watching them go. I made it though that day, but not without learning how unfair being denied the ability to speak is. If some people are not allowed to speak not everyone is equal anymore. When everyone is born they have the same rights and should be treated the same, once you take that away from one person it is no longer true. It should be true. I believe everyone is equal and should be treated equal. It doesn't matter if you are rich or poor, young or old, American or African American. Article one states the right to Equality.

I also feel really bad about what happened to the African Americans over the years. Throughout my years in school I have learned a lot. Those poor helpless people had no right to be treated like that. Just by having slaves and the way they were treated, broke many human rights laws. They were not treated equal, they were discriminated, they were not free, they were slaves, and they were tortured. I think it's wrong that Abraham Lincoln had to go to war for slaves to be free and even after that war they wouldn't be treated equal for over a hundred more years. These are regular people just like us that were originally plucked from their home and brought to us. If we didn't like them then why did we bring them here? Just because we were too lazy to do our own work and wanted to make a lot of money. Now if that isn't fair I don't know what is. Even today occasionally people are still not treated equally because of race or color. It just bugs me.

I also feel that not everyone throughout the world or even our country is equally educated. Everyone has the right to be educated for free when they are young. Now with the way that our country is schools have to cut back on important classes such as music and art. I feel everyone should be able to have the chance to experience them. They are important parts of kids' lives. I know I enjoy them. Schools also have to cut back on the amount of time kids are at school and on how good the classes are. This isn't right. Just because a school is a little more poor than another does not mean that those kids should have to suffer and not get as high of an education. Everyone should be equal.

So even today there are many people in the world and even our country who are being denied human rights. Some might be huge, some might be some small. Maybe you don't even realize

that these people are suffering or what is really going on, but those people are feeling it and its time to put a stop to it. I believe people should be a little more aware of their surroundings. Maybe it's someone in your class or at work. Maybe it's your neighbor. There are definitely people out there that need our help to set things straight. I just hope we start to notice.

