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Intercultural Communication MW 1:00

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My religious/spiritual/philosophical identity is: Christian

And most different from: Secular/atheist

My religion is and always has been christianity. I grew up in a christian home and have never known anything different from that. As a christian, I believe that Jesus is the son of God and he died for our sins. I believe in life after death, when I say that I am referring to Heaven. I believe that my family members that have passed away are waiting for me in heaven and that I will be reunited with them some day and be able to watch over my loved ones I have left behind in my life. I believe that Jesus was crucified and God sent his only son Jesus to save this ungrateful world of sin and wrong doing. I believe that if you commit crimes and do wrong things that you can still change your life and be forgiven because that is just how great of a God he is.

I am not exactly positive what secular is because I have never heard that word from what I understand. I do know that atheist means that you believe in no God and most often don't have spiritual or philosophical beliefs. I understand that if you are atheist that does not make you a horrible person, as God has created us all in hopes of us living a good life. I believe that if you are an atheist that you can still be saved and most often people are atheist because no one has reached out to them and helped them to understand the grace of God and how glorious of a life it is to believe in him. I strongly disagree with atheists beliefs, but I have a understanding because there is not necessarily any real proof of God, but all you need is faith and trust. If you are atheist you have everything to lose. If I am wrong (Im not) then what have I lost? I will still have maintained and lived a full life and if it so be that I am wrong I will be content with the life I lived. Jesus rocks.

My most important majority identity is neurotypical.

and most different from down syndrome.

When I began this survey I wasn't sure what neurotypical is, I thought about it a little more and realized that it is pretty self explanatory. I have a typical brain function. I think this has shaped me to be who I am because I would be a completely different person if I had down syndrome or autism or any of these other disorders. I was fortunate enough to have been blessed with a mostly regular brain and have not had to go to the rough life of having any of these issues. I am able to go to school and get an education that will hopefully one day better my value of life. I am able to work and do other activities. I am able to drive myself around and not be dependent on another person for regular every day thing such as having a normal meal. I am so fortunate that this is a majority identity that I empower. I can not even imagine having my life any other way. Although this is regular for most people to be neurotypical, I think that there is so many people that weren't as lucky as myself to have lived this normal life.

I think that being neurotypical is most different from having down syndrome. One of my best friends mothers owns a small business where they have day homes for people with disabilities. I have heard many stories of down syndrome children/adults and it is so sad that not only they but also their parents and family members have to go through such difficult periods of time throughout their lives. I think that my life would be completely different if I had down syndrome. I would not be able to do all the things that I strive to do in my lifetime without someone else assisting me along the way. Neurotypical people aren't completely different from those with down syndrome because they are all people and need to meet the same basic needs.

My most important minority identity is female.

And most different from: Male

My most important (and only) minority identity is being female. I would never have thought that being female is a minority identity as about half the people in this world are female. Males and females are similar in so many ways. We are both human, need to eat, need sleep, need human interaction, and so on. I am a female and I find more in common with my boyfriend than I do my friends that are girls. Within our personality and way we act, we are pretty much the same person, except for the fact that he is a male and I am a female of course. Males and females have been seen as different in the past, but as time has evolved I believe that we have grown more and more alike.

I believe I am also different from the male gender. In many ways such as the fact of we enjoy to do different things most often. Males usually like video games and being rough. Females usually enjoy shopping.