

DANIEL'S SPOTLIGHT

My name is Daniel. I am a 25 year old gay man.

See this is something I say a lot.

Why does gay define me and what not?

Well, **I was never taught to accept myself.** My head was filled with self doubt. My school with its basic education said 'sex is just human nature'. But for the longest time *I knew nothing about sexuality.* I didn't know how to express myself. I was constantly stuck thinking I was cursed- forgetting that life is really a blessing.

My mind raised so many questions. The only one to teach me lessons was scripted porn- a gift and a curse. It showed me what to do but it *gave me expectations that just weren't true.*

My community endures then endures more, lacking the basic knowledge to earn for more. See **if they taught me it was okay to be me** instead of teaching me about the white man that conquered my people...



Maybe, I'd be way further along then, now. Maybe the thoughts that create clouds of self-doubt would be lifted.

See knowledge shouldn't be held... it should be gifted.

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