

What Being Tall Means To Me

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All throughout my childhood I was always that one kid in the crowd able to see what most of the kids my age couldn't. From times of getting asked to grab something from the top shelf for them to being able to look over everyone in crowded places never failed to give me the exact same feeling I have longed for. That was the feeling of uniqueness. I was always known as the lengthy scrawny kid and the kid where my arms length doubled in the size of theirs. In my opinion, being tall always felt like a privilege as some people are not as fortunate as us although they may not have dealt with the lingering knee pains or back pains that never seem to go away. I've learned to be grateful for my height as I have carried many benefits with me all throughout my life. These benefits give me a greater chance at playing the sport I love Volleyball and become one of the most athletic people in my family bloodline. I always loved the jokes people would say to me like "How's the weather up there?" or "You look older than what you actually are." I may have to say, yes being tall is amazing and it is anything a man can ever dream for but that is not the case, there are many downsides to this gift too. The struggles of putting on weight from the constant growth in your body, the lingering patella knee pain or even the back pains of all the pressure being put onto. I've heard about this surgery that men are able to take when they are insecure about their height and practically what this surgery consists of is the procedure in extending their Femur in hopes of adding two to three more inches of height on their body. The results of this surgery is to add height onto themselves yes, but, are the long agonizing months of rehab, building and learning to walk again worth it along with the thousands of dollars being invested? All of that doesn't sound appealing nor worth it to me. I believe that people should be grateful for the cards they were dealt and make the most of it as we all are lucky enough to be here with a chance of life and make the most out of it we can whether we may be insecure about our heights or external personal conflicts we are managing. Height can provide life lessons in silent values like responsibility, modesty, and understanding. As people are well aware that their actions are observed when they are noticeable by their height, it instills in them the need to shelter those who remain unnoticed in life. Being tall in life provides an individual with qualities like patience and acceptance because when people stand out, they remain in the spotlight, and their actions are judged by others. The moral in this situation is always to use one's advantage with kindness. My parents always taught me to be grateful for the things I have and my height differently has to be one of them. I believe that I wouldn't be here and be who I am if it wasn't for my height as it has brought me many opportunities that may change my life in the long run neither the less change my life in the present. We are all given gifts that are moulded for us perfectly as humans but for myself, my height is one of my most prized possessions.