Turning Tides

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Privilege – Disadvantage – Opportunity – Liability All words associated to our identities before we spoke our first words Yet those are the words we are condemned to live with Judged by universities - Random strangers - And corporations that don't even know our names

I don't get it

Why have we refused to progress past such an archaic mind set - That says a few words can tarnish our qualifications - And refute our claim to conquer our dreams

It's time for change

To set aside words that have no power unless we give it to them

Change won't come quickly - Nor easily

We will have to stand together in a united front - To abolish the persecutions that we have lived with our whole lives

Change is hard - But there are more of us than the people that want to keep the past intact - And we are the future

Eventually liability, privilege, discrimination will fade to the obscurity of dictionary pages - And words like equality and individual will be given the power

Then we'll be able to to choose words for our own identities - Because we won't be prejudged on where we came from - Or our gender or any other factor that separates you from me at this very moment

Change is hard and it never comes easy But everything is possible especially if we work together The tides are turning

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