

- I'm BACK -

PLEASE EXCUSE MY PROLONGED ABSENCE
I WILL BE WRITING REGULARLY AGAIN. SO THOSE
INTERESTED CAN CHECK FOR NEW POSTING REGULARLY
AGAIN! (YEAH)

MY FATHER RECENTLY TOLD ME "IF YOU WAKE UP
EVERY MORNING AND THANK THE UNIVERSE IT WILL
THANK YOU BACK" I TRULY BELIEVE THAT IN NORMAL
CIRCUMSTANCES. PRISON IS AS ABNORMAL AS ==
IT GETS. YOU CAN HAVE YOUR LIFE TAKEN LITERALLY
FOR NOT SAYING EXCUSE ME TO THE WRONG PERSON.
IT IS SOOOO DIFFICULT TO KEEP AN UPBEAT, CHIN-UP
ATTITUDE HERE, I DO MY BEST BUT SOME DAYS I
JUST WANT TO QUIT, GIVE-UP. I ALREADY HAVE
'ALL-EYES ON ME' BECAUSE OF MY TRANS STATUS,
I NOW HAVE A COVETED JOB AS A COOK, THE FIRST
TRANS TO HOLD THIS JOB, SO NOT ONLY DO I HAVE A
JOB THAT ANY INMATE WOULD SET ME UP TO GET
I MUST DEAL WITH YARD DRAMA, EVEN ~~THAT~~
THOUGH WE ARE IN A MEN'S INSTITUTION THESE
GUYS ACT LIKE LITTLE BOYS. THE ONLY SALVATION IS
MY NICHIREN BUDDHISM, FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO
KEEP IN TOUCH REGULARLY. EVEN THAT CAN BE
FRUSTRATING WHEN THEY FORGET HOW
IMPORTANT MAIL CAN BE TO THOSE OF US
LOCKED UP. NO ONE WANTS TO FEEL FORGOTTEN
ABOUT.

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PRISON WILL DO STRANGE THINGS TO A PERSON'S SELF-WORTH. THE MOST SECURE PERSON IN THE WORLD WILL HAVE DOUBTS WHEN LOCKED-UP!

I'M ENROLLED IN COLLEGE, I'M DOING TRANS ACTIVISM AND FACILITATE (2) SELF-HELP GROUPS AND STILL HAVE DAILY ISSUES WITH FEELING WORTHY! I CHANT DAILY NAM MYHO. Renge-Kip —

DAD- I KNOW I'M NOT YOUR TYPICAL CHILD, IN FACT MY LIFE IS AS FAR FROM NORMAL AS YOU CAN GET, I APOLOGIZE IF SOMETIMES I'M AS NEEDY AS A 4 yr old, YOU HAVE STOOD BY ME THROUGH ALL OF THIS AND FOR THAT AND A MILLION OTHER REASONS I LOVE AND APPRECIATE YOU —

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LIFE DOES GET BETTER IF YOU HOLD ON LONG ENOUGH, THE TRICK IS HOLDING ON, HERE!

LOVE THRU STRUGGLE

(TERRA) DARRELL.

P.S. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HISTORY L.G.B.T. PEOPLE HAVE BEEN ALLOWED TO MARCH IN GAY PRIDE IN UNIFORM, SANDIEGO GAY PRIDE 2012 YEAR.