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Everyday People

It's hard to say what makes a man. When I was younger all I wanted was to be bigger so I could do whatever I wanted. As an adult I've accomplished a few good things and became close with many great people, ~~and~~ as an adult I have ~~made~~ <sup>many</sup> foolish mistakes and poor decisions. Parts of what I've been ~~and~~ <sup>are</sup> characteristics of a man, other parts mimic the ignorance of youth. For me to create worthwhile art I need to be fearless, confident, and uncaring of what others may think or say about me. To develop a worthwhile life I have to mature, respect, and validate myself for ~~my~~ <sup>the benefit</sup> my peers and environment so I'm productive enough for society. As an aged body I regret every single moment I've been fearful and scared. My actions as a grown man have isolated me from love and freedom. I've taken my love from friends and lovers. Art is Please edit your Artist Statement to the space provided my only chance to get love back to my friends and my environment.