

To Be Thankful

The world may be tearing itself apart
War rages from continents whether they be extensive or intensive
People only care to see the hate in one another rather than the human

People take their last breaths while others take their first
Life propels on whether you are ready for it or not
The world changes whether you are ready for it or not

And here I am
Safe with people who care
Safe with a roof over my head
Safe with sufficient amounts of food and warmth

I know I have everything I want and need
I know I have security and resources in my life that others cannot even imagine to attain
I know I can do anything because of this reality
While others in the world around me can barely manage to survive

So I know this Thanksgiving I will be thankful for not just friends and family
But with this existence, I have come to know
Thankful for this world in which I was born
Born knowing peace
Born with the world in my hands

This Thanksgiving
When I sit at the table
I will think of my world and the world of another child
A child who may not have all that I do
They may not have loads of food and secure shelter or even a loving family
the child that has never known anything but loss
A child who even after enduring all those hardships
Always has a reason to smile
To go on with life
To be thankful