

The Blessings of Covid-19

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Due to this this pandemic, a lot has changed for me; at first, I felt as though things were changing for the worst, but as time carries on I am starting to realize that this pandemic may have been just what I needed. I say this because due to the insane amount of time the pandemic opened-up, it allowed me to act upon ideas, desires, and thoughts that I had been putting off for years. To sit, and literally have nothing to do everyday will certainly make you get active.

The first way that the pandemic helped me was it motivated me to get back into school. What I mean by that, is that I knew I always wanted to go back, it was more so just a matter of when; and with having a new baby, and working fulltime I kept telling myself I didn't have the time I needed. Well when Corona happened, and I was laid off from my job I now had a bunch of new freedom. I had recently moved back in with my mom, so I no longer had a reason to say I did not have the time, it was now about my drive. And I am happy to say, I did it. I got myself back into school, and figured out all things needed, with the help of advisors and financial aid of course, either way, I am now on the path I have previously dreamed of.

This pandemic also helped me develop a better relationship with my mother. Before the virus hit, I temporarily moved back in with my mom, despite not having the best relationship. Shortly into me living here was when Corona begin to first skyrocket, and now I could no longer move out as fast as I once planned. Apartments were no longer being shown, everything was shut down, stores were empty, and had I been by myself this would have hit me much harder than it did, and I can only thank my mom for that. She didn't have to allow me back, or to stay, but she has been an extremely important hand in making sure I have stayed on the correct path.

Lastly, the pandemic helped me find my inner value. It is not to say I didn't value myself before, but I did not value myself as much as I should have. Having so much alone time with my thoughts, and truly evaluating the relationships around me, I came to understand just how much I had been letting slide. That's not to say I don't have more work to do because I do regarding my self-discipline, I do have a bit further to go, but being able to acknowledge the problem is part of the steps.

In conclusion, I am not saying that had Corona not happened these things would not have still came to past, but I feel as though the pandemic highlighted for me just why I needed to get started now, instead of waiting another day. It opened my eyes to what has been with me the whole while, and I can honestly say I am grateful for going through this experience in my lifetime, it's something worth living for to tell about one day. All the time in my history classes we read of major historical events, never did I really think I would live one.