

Kialoa Scholarship

Resilience: As Clear as our Oceans By: Logan

Resilience; a strong word,
A word of hope and courage,
When a dolphin jumps it always returns to the water,
The dolphin knows there is something pushing it down,
But it leaps over and over again.
To be resilient is to be like that dolphin and start leaping up in the air.

Change has been around for millions of years,
When it was our turn we have already forgotten.
Be grateful for the land we are given,
Be grateful for the knowledge we have worked so hard to rekindle into our lives,
Be grateful for our traditions coming to life once more.
Our ancestors would be frightened of what we had come back from,
They would be grateful for the land that we made out of the land they were given.

As the Ocean has humanity to care and destroy it,
It does not need us, but we need it to live and pass on traditions and culture.
The Oceans surrounding Hawai'i has and always been sacred like a thousand year old cross
What good is the cross if it is broken?
Our Oceans are starting to become that cross, it is the dolphin who can't repel back up again.

If we have stayed in our ancient ways, the 'aina might still be pure and well,
It might not be polluted by the fuels emitted from the gasoline power vehicles.
Today the life of the land and sea is thriving once more, but only to a realization.
If we didn't realize that the land could have done well without us we wouldn't have made the effort to try and restore our once called sacred sea.
Whether we like it or not we are a part of the ocean.
As this water is our caretaker we need to be a caretaker for the oceans.