

WHAT IS “NORMAL” THESE DAZE? DOES ANYONE KNOW?[©]

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I truly believe that at least in our earlier years we all believed that many issues and events were considered to be “normal” and in line with accepted societal behavior! However, frankly, it seems that what we believed in then is not the reality in many “walks” of our lives today! I believe that the definition of normal has been and continues to be the same as always, as defined here from a typical web site:

NORMAL: Conforming to a standard; usual, typical, or expected

As a younger friend recently stated to me, someone who states that something is “normal” in fact doesn’t realize that “normal” is a “fickle state of acceptance and being”! Perhaps so! But what does “fickle” mean in this context? Well, here is a definition for fickle from one of many web sites:

FICKLE: Marked by erratic changeableness in affections or attachments

Sadly, so, so many things that were once considered normal just aren’t so anymore! In my opinion, such negation of what was considered to be normal has had an unacceptable number of negative consequences such that they are now considered ABNORMAL! So, what is the definition of abnormal? Here is a common definition from a typical web site:

ABNORMAL: Deviating from what is normal or usual, typically in a way that is undesirable or worrying

In closing this article, at my now advanced age, certainly so many things in my life that I always considered to be “normal” are now in my opinion to have changed to being “abnormal” and to me this is a sad state of affairs! I believe that many folks my age and even some that are a bit younger agree wholeheartedly with my sentiments! Compiling a list of what are considered to be “abnormalities” these daze is far beyond the intended scope of this article, but could easily be created as a supplement! For now, I’ll rest my case while praying for all those who have discarded long-established normalcy!

