Recognize: The Voices of Bisexual Men

INTRODUCTION

"Silence and invisibility are extremely costly. Rather than disparage bisexual men who are closeted, we should examine why bisexual men are less likely to disclose their sexuality to others and also recognize the emotional costs of being passed over having their very existence invalidated.

There is an urgent need for even more representation and for a wider range of voices and experiences to be heard. There is power in speaking our truth. In so doing, we validate ourselves and we validate for others by offering them an opportunity them to recognize aspects of themselves in the written word."

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"I still would define myself as bisexual partly because that's how I feel but also because I think it's important to — I think sexuality in this country especially is seen as a very black and white thing, and I think we should encourage the gray. You know?

I don't go around in my life thinking, "Oh, my God, I'm going to have to have sex with a woman soon because I said I was bisexual."... It's like saying you're straight or you're gay — it's just what you are, and whatever you're doing in your life it runs obviously parallel, but it's kind of secondary to how you are inside. That's how I've always felt, and I still do, even though I'm very happily married to a really amazing man and wish to be so for the rest of my life."

—Alan Cumming