"If you think you are handicapped, you might as well stay indoors. If you think you are a person, come out and tell the world."

Ray Loomis
1979 Jefferson Award Winner

Ray Loomis spent 15 years of his life in a state institution for the mentally retarded. Making it in the outside world wasn't easy. But Ray did it. And now he's helping others do the same.

"A few years ago Ray had the idea to form a support group of mentally and physically handicapped individuals to help them help themselves. Project II has since grown to over 200 members who realize they are people first, and that their handicaps come second. Join us as we honor Ray Loomis, KETV's 1979 Jefferson Award Winner.

If you've never met a person who is handicapped, give yourself the chance. It might help you overcome some handicaps of your own

"We are people first."
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