

## This I Believe...

After writing and erasing then rewriting only to erase my work again, I discovered that what I was trying to put down on paper, was sitting in front of me the whole time, laughing, and pointing its imaginary finger at me, yes my mind is crazy. That leads me into what I wanted to talk about. I believe in crazy. I believe that everyone in the whole world is a different flavor of crazy, and that is why we have all that we have in life, because without crazy we wouldn't have popcorn, 3D movies, electricity, art, or music. These awesome things came about because someone decided to think outside the box, whether that be throwing good food into the fire or go against the norm to create magnificent and strange works of art and music.

Growing up I moved all over the world and had the ability of visiting amazing places, however I don't think it would have made an impact on me if I hadn't been crazy and adventurous enough to try the different food or do crazy things. I believe that crazy is essential to living life, I mean I don't think anyone would want to do the ordinary and mundane forever. So, being crazy gives us the freedom to explore what we normally wouldn't and it allows us to really see the world and the potential that some 7 billion people have in store.

This belief in crazy has led me to this moment at Central standing in front of you all, an amazingly talented choir with each person a different flavor of crazy, listening to me babble about being crazy. Since my short time here in this choir I have discovered a supportive, kind, compassionate, intelligent, and, you guessed it, crazy family that has changed my life and exceeded my expectations. I cannot wait for whatever lies ahead, but I know that whatever it may be I have a family that is crazy enough to have my back. Now here's something to think about as you leave, "If we weren't all crazy, we'd just go insane." –Jimmy Buffet.