

Don't Change, Extraordinary One

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They say he's too quiet; They say she's too inquisitive.
They say he's too energetic; They say she's too sensitive.
They say he's too absent-minded.

They say these things thinking it will help.
But it doesn't really.
It only causes worry and the pressure to conform.
The truth is, changing would be a tragedy.

Because when they say "too quiet", I see introspection.
Don't change thoughtful one, You're gonna bring quiet wisdom
To the chaos.

Because when they say "too inquisitive", I see problem solving.
Don't change little thinker. You're gonna bring answers to the
toughest questions.

Because when they say "too energetic", I see vitality.
Don't change, lively one. You're gonna bring love and laughter
To desperate times.

Because when they say "too sensitive", I see heart.
Don't change, deep feeler. You're gonna bring compassion
To hurting souls.

Because when they say "too absent-minded", I see creativity.
Don't change, artistic dreamer. You're gonna bring colour
To lifeless spaces.

They might say change is needed. But I ask that they look a
little deeper and observe a little longer.

From where I stand, these individuals are just as they should be...
On their path to bring the world exactly what it needs to thrive.
Don't change, extraordinary one. You're gonna light this place up.