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Impact of this Phrase

This phrase is used to describe something as inferior or deficient and supports heterosexist beliefs that individuals who do not identify as heterosexual are delinquent, abnormal, and wrong.

Alternatives to this Phrase

If we are not conscious of the impact that our words carry, we may inadvertently use the power of our voice to oppress and degrade others. Here are some alternative phrases/words that can be used to transform how we understand and relate with each other through our daily interactions:

- Inappropriate
- Weird
- Strange
- Awkward
- Ludicrous
- Wrong

Whether or not we understand the power of our words, we still use them…

so what kind of impact do you want to make?

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