

Vivekananda's Views on 'Tolerance and Acceptance'

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ॐ सह नाववतु। सह नौ भनक्तु। सह वीर्यं करवावहै।
तेजस्वि नावधीतमस्तु मा विद्विषावहै।
ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः

Om, May God Protect us Both
(the Teacher and the Student),
May God Nourish us Both,
May We Work Together with Energy and Vigour,
May our Study be Enlightening and
not give rise to Hostility,
Om, Peace, Peace, Peace.

Tolerance is giving to every other human being every right that you claim for yourself.

—Robert Green Ingersoll

Try not to change the world
You will fail.
Try to love the world
Lo, the world is changed
Changed forever.

—Sri Chinmoy

"Tolerance, as we define it, refers to the skill we need to live together peacefully. In times of peace, people have a chance to prosper socially, economically and emotion-

ally. Tolerance creates a society in which people can feel valued and respected, and in which there is room for every person, each with their own ideas, thoughts and dreams". One of the most important tools a child needs in his or her social toolbox is the ability to be tolerant of others. The world is composed of people from different backgrounds who speak various languages and follow diverse customs and religions. Any child, whether in India or the United States or elsewhere, will be exposed to someone who identifies with a faith that is not the same as their own. In today's society, especially with how globalized the world has become, it is important for children to learn to accept others from an early age.

The objective of this research paper is to understand that in this age of globalisation, where people of different backgrounds, cultures and religions live together, and where the world has become multicultural and full of diversity, establishing tolerance and harmony become more crucial and important, and fostering mutual love and affection and acceptance has become vital. The need of the hour is to understand that tolerance does not simply mean tolerating intolerance. Tolerance becomes a crime when applied to evil. All religions are good since the essentials in all the religions are all the same. 'We need to believe not only in the universal toleration, but to accept all religions but true.'

Sri Ramakrishna, India's prophet of the harmony of religions, reminded us that the essence of religion is God-consciousness. When that is forgotten, religious differences begin—and not before. The oneness of existence and harmony of religions are cardinal principles of Hinduism, and the Ramakrishna Order stands as an example of unity, tolerance, and diversity. There are monks in the