



A Sufi Message

Judgement, Understanding, Forgiveness

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Judgement & Justice is God's Alone

Politics, which were once based upon morals and spiritual ideals, have now commercialism as their central theme. Alliance between nations exists for the interest of each; therefore those who are friends in one situation turn enemies on another occasion. For there is no moral ideal to hold humanity together in a bond, except the treaties made for the protection of their own interest.

Today man thinks that to make laws is the work of intellectual people. This brings constant disappointments both to nations and to communities. The lack of order and peace throughout the world today, one may say, is caused by the want of the law which must come from God, from the divine source. Man is too small to be able to find the solution of the problems of this world. That is the work of the perfect wisdom which is found in a Personality without limitations, with which human personality cannot be compared, as one cannot compare a drop with the ocean.

You cannot always judge a thing from the action. The judge has to know what is behind the action, and when a person has arrived at this stage of judgement, then he never dares to form an opinion, to judge. Jesus Christ teaches us: "Whoever is without fault, it is that person's place to accuse or to punish." It teaches a great lesson: even in order to learn justice it is not necessary that we should be ready to judge and instantly to express our judgement, our opinion.

Wouldn't it be wiser to exercise self-restraint and self-control, politeness, kindness, sympathy, and graciousness, a worshipful attitude towards God, the Creator of all beings: all are His children, good or bad.

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Jesus taught us: Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them that despitefully use you and persecute you, that we may be the children of God who is in Heaven. God makes the sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. Jesus did not teach us to judge others.

Understanding Develops through Taking the View of Another Broadening the Outlook

In order to accomplish this one has to look at another person's point of view. For in reality every point of view is one's own point of view. The vaster one becomes, the greater the realization that comes to one, the more one sees that every point of view is all right. If one is able to expand oneself to the consciousness of another person, one's consciousness becomes as large as two persons. And so it can be as large as a thousand persons when one accustoms oneself to try and see what others think.

Forgiveness

It is love that gives birth to hope, patience, endurance, forgiveness, tolerance, and to all moral principles. All deeds of kindness and beneficence take root in the soil of the loving heart. Generosity, charity, adaptability, an accommodating nature, even renunciation, are the offspring of love alone. The great, rare and chosen beings, who for ages have been looked up to as ideal in the world, are the possessors of hearts kindled with love. All evil and sin come from the lack of love.

In the words of Jesus: Forgive them Father, they know not what they do.

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The Buddha: In the end, only three things matter: how much you loved, how gently you lived and how gracefully you let go of things not meant for you.