

7th Principle of Arya Samaj



सब से प्रीतिपूर्वक धर्मानुसार यथायोग्य बर्ताना चाहिए ।

Our conduct towards all should be guided by love,
righteousness and justice.

We have become so dependent on the concept of our rights that we have become morally lazy and forget about our responsibility.

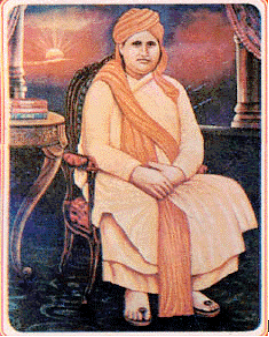
A man and a woman have an argument.

“I have a right to come home to some peace and quiet,” he says.

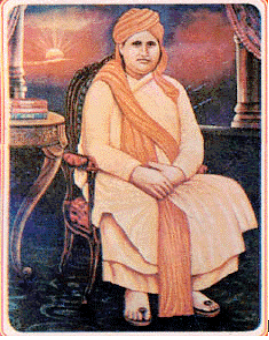
“I have a right to tell you how I feel,” she replies.

The conversation quickly deteriorates as each lists what they have a right to: to be heard, to have feelings, to be happy, to have a nice house, to be taken care of. The list is endless. The problem is that the man’s rights and the woman’s rights conflict and entangle.

They both feel that they are being mistreated and the other should be able to see that truth.



The behavior of a person to his fellow- beings is to be regulated by love, righteousness and justice according to this principle.



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दृते दूँह मा मित्रस्य मा चक्षुषा सर्वाणि भूतानि समीक्षन्ताम् ।

मित्रास्याहं चक्षुषा सर्वाणि भूतानि समीक्षे । मित्रस्य चक्षुषा समीक्षामहे ॥

O Lord ! make me firm in times of distress. May All the living beings see me with an amiable eye. May I see all the living beings with a friendly eye. Thus may we all see each other with a friendly eye.

-Yajur Veda.36.18



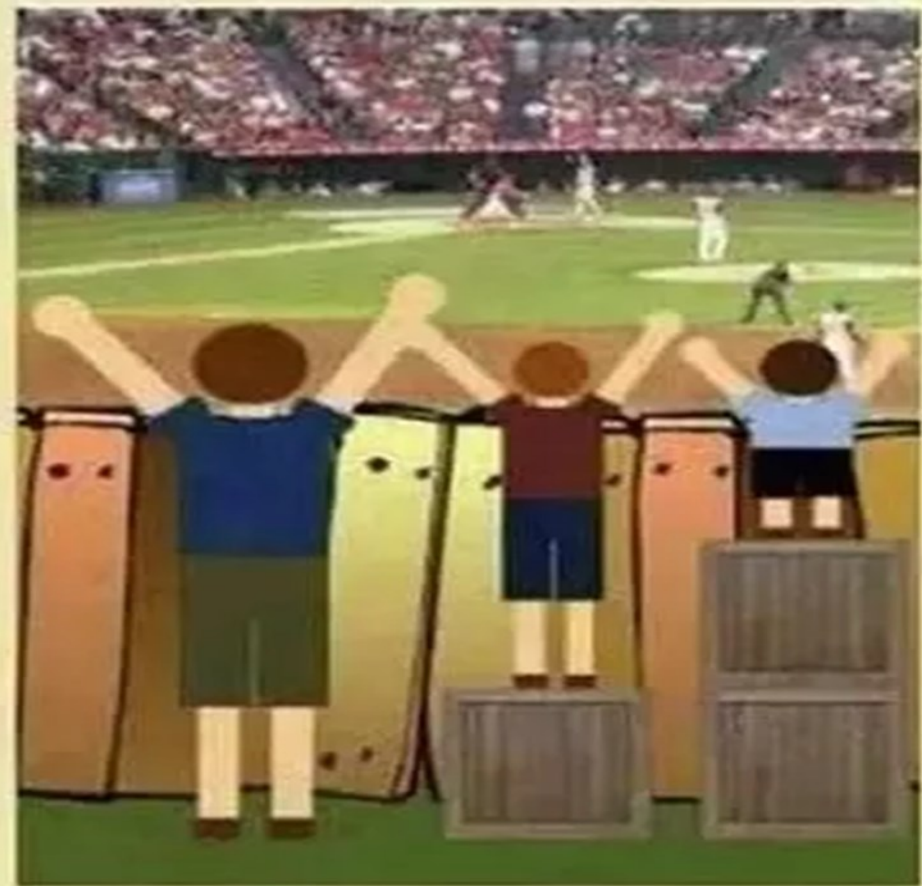
- The dominant feeling, which will characterize all his dealings with others, is to be that of love.
- He cannot help in promoting the welfare of the world, unless his general attitude towards other creatures than himself be that of deep sympathy, of close fellow-feeling.



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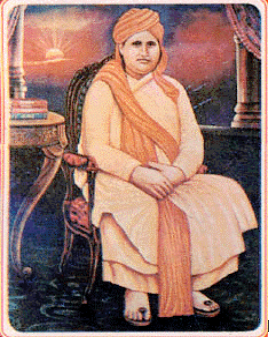


Equality



Justice

The qualification of the sentiment of love by addition of the formula ***yathā yogya*** – (as worthy) accordant with propriety or equity.



We should treat people fairly - but not equally.



- From the perspective of the essence of our human nature, all should be treated equally.
- There should be basic manners that are universally applicable and expected.
- Everyone knows, for example, that we must not treat others rudely or brutally. We must respect their fundamental dignity.

We should treat people fairly – but not equally.

- Treating people **equally** means that you treat them the same, regardless of their race, sex, social status or anything else like that.
- Treating people **fairly** means that you treat them in ways that are most appropriate to their needs.



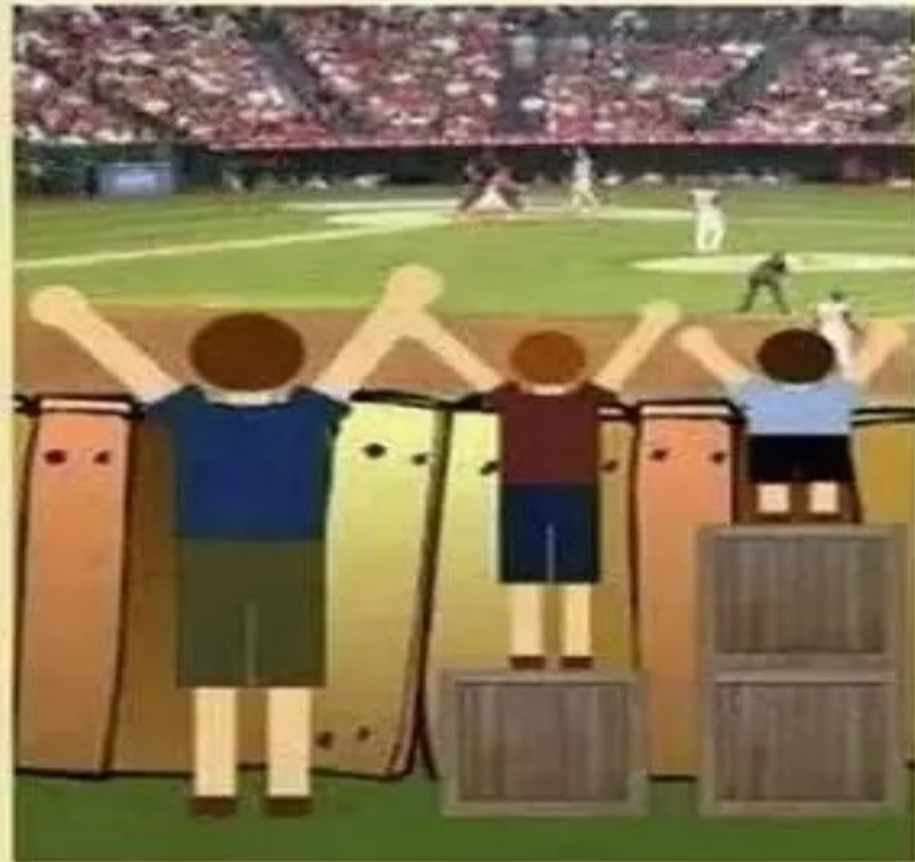
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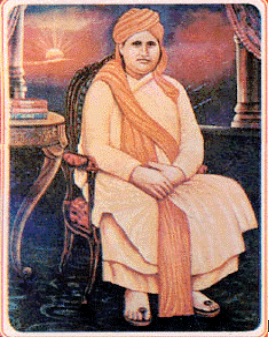
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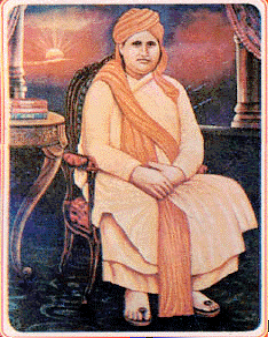
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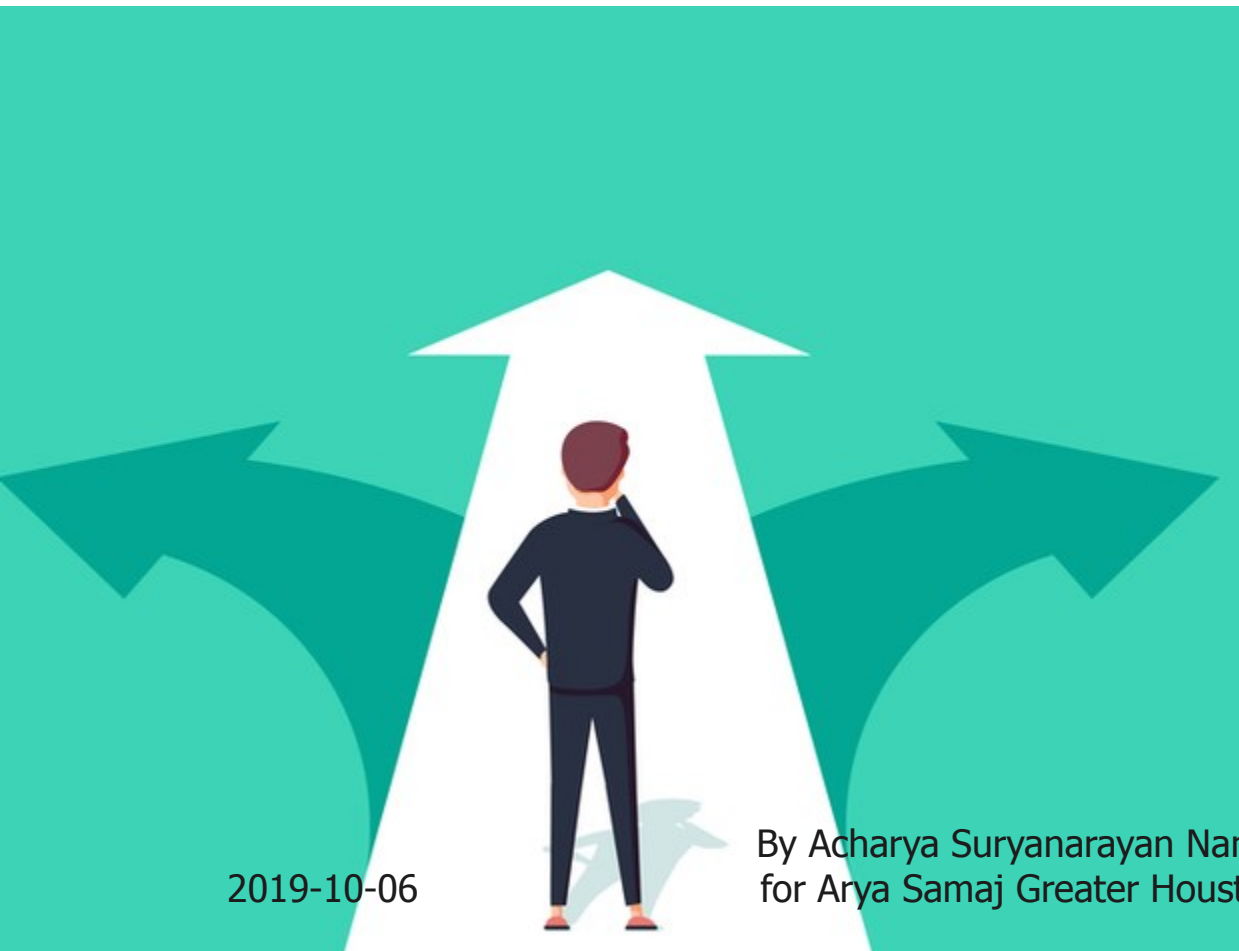
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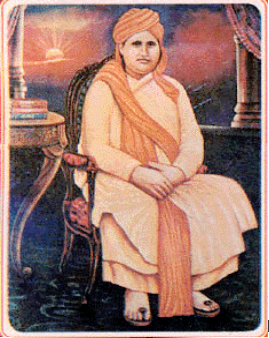


- Treating everyone "**the same**" is the opposite of treating everyone "**fairly.**"
- One of the fastest paths to low morale in an organization happens when fairness gives way to sameness.
- It is called as ***lazy manager syndrome.***



These merits, again, have to be determined in accordance with the dictates of ***Dharma*** (what conforms to the rules of right).





While the first attribute, viz., love is to be the guiding note of his **inner motive**,
the second i.e. propriety will be the criterion in **choosing the means**,
while considerations of ***Dharma*** are urged in order to refer him ultimately to the eternal code, viz., the Veda, the injunctions of which alone will give his powers of discretion the right lead.

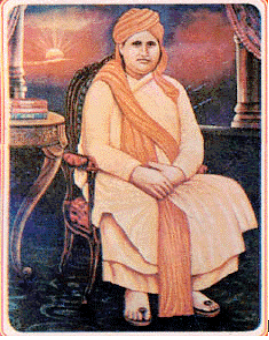
The duty of man does not end with his love of man alone. Standing at the head of all creation, he owes an obligation to sub-human creatures as well.

His attitude towards these also should be governed by the same principles, viz., those of love, propriety and righteousness.



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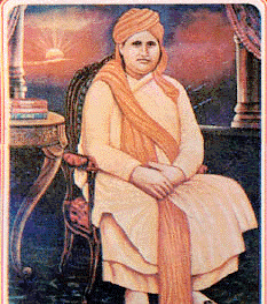
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प्रियं मा कृणु देवेषु प्रियं राजसु मा कृणु ।
प्रियं सर्वस्य पश्यत उत शूद्रे उतार्ये ॥

Make me beloved of the Brahmanas, Make me beloved of
the Kshatriyas, Beloved of all that see, Of the Shudra and of
the Vaishya.

-Atharva Veda. 19. 62.1.



Vijayā Daśamī

Festival of victory



- ❖ ***Navarātri*** - nine days of (*upavāsa*) fasting in order to foster sacred qualities in us.
- ❖ By mere refraining from food, *upavāsa* is not done.
- ❖ ***Upavāsa*** means to stay close to God. It is about abstaining from indulging your senses for a higher purpose.
- ❖ ***Navarātra*** culminating with ***Vijayā daśamī*** –the day of victory. It means victory of good qualities over bad qualities.

That is Vijayā Daśamī -the day of victory.