

## **HUMAN RIGHTS AND PEACE**

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What is human right? Human right is defining as the rights and freedoms to which all human beings are entitled. Every individual were born free and equal in dignity and rights despite of everyone's differences. Even if you have different color, gender, language, religion, tribes, nationality, etc.

So, if everybody has our own and equal rights, then why there are still problems evolving in our world? For me, it is simply because we are not all united. Sometimes, we consider our peers as our enemy and tend to compete with them. But if we are all united, we can really achieve the rights we are wishing for and peace will prevail in our society, not only in our society but in the whole world.

But, where does peace start then? Peace should start in us. We students have the responsibility to face. We should apply our knowledge on what we have learned in school. Although it is said that bad habits are hard to shake off but if we're willing to change for the better, nothing is impossible. Jose Rizal's belief in youth is still encouraging, "Ang Kabataan ang Pag-asa ng Bayan".

Being one of the country's futures, we need to start planning on how we can help for building a better world. Here is where Education comes in. If we study, think hard and contribute our time, talent and effort, then there's a hope for a better future.

So, let's start applying our rights and begin right now.