

“PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS”

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As peace defined it describes a society or a relationship that is operating harmoniously and without violent conflict. The absence of hostility or the existence of healthy or newly healed interpersonal or international relationships, safety in matters of social or economic welfare, the acknowledgement of equality and fairness on political relationships. While human rights are the rights and freedom to which all human are entitled, that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights, and they are endowed with reasons and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood.

When we say “peace” to our fellowmen, it sounds like were lucky for living in a certain community with no destructions being hit for just a moment. Feels like were floating on the air and see our environment that everyone seemed so happy and overwhelm with their beautiful faces that creates gorgeous smile that surrounds you. Could this peace image in such society were last forever? Or just passing by in a minute or in an hour? That people around you turning their smile to a bitter one for such reasons that we ourselves cannot solve it.

People act, move, perform and work upon the things they want to act for, for the reason of they have to do so for their daily requirements of necessities and for the peace of their mind of practicing human rights. Such rights include the ability, skills, and knowledge of a human to be showed and developed to the society. And the rights to defense their self against the incompetent and wicked forces attacks them. In general, man and women as a human in society are developed through their full opportunity to live as freemen. Did everyone practices and developed their human rights as equal in our society today? How could peace link by human rights?

Today, as we observed in our home, environment, community, as well as society, is probably and critically facing some problems and hindrances towards harmony in our living. It's because conflicts occurs between different visions of human that causes conversation and arguments that lead to compel each party to act immoral against the law created in land and the law of God. Ever since in our ancestors generation the major problems and struggles occurs during the Spanish tyrants colonizing and ruled over our country that most of our ancestors are suffering too much pain mentally and physically for they cannot move freely and practice their rights in their own land. Children's, adults and old are suffering pain by the hands of the friars that made them knelt down on the grounds, abuses woman's virtues and accusing our ancestors for the sins that they did not committed. It is really painful in the history of our ancestors that they are being slavered in their owned lands from the abuses migrants from other countries. Unfortunately they are helpless in seeking and in attacking the friars to fight their rights and dignity and to bring back Philippines to a peace, harmonious and free one, even our heroes that time cannot defeat the bad friars because they are so powerful enough that cannot be easily defeated. Many years passes by when independence and freedom are finally achieved and sad to think that there are many innocent and courageous fighting heroes died for not seeing the freedom of their lands.

Since then, we are lucky today and we must always salute for our heroes who died for our country. But as we figure out today conflicts and struggles cannot be denied, and sad to say it arises between our fellow countrymen. Like some are opposing and made rebellion against the management of our government. That several persons are forced to make crimes to be able to be recognizing which they think government abandoned them. But the truth is they just want to let some officials in our government to look and regrets their mistakes in handling their position in the government that they failed to do so. That eager some parties against the government taking some lives of an innocent people that creates a bad influence in the eye of the children, and affects our country to have a bad image in the perception of everyone and to other countries. Why doing these things? For they are not contented of the power they had in our society? Or

they are just insane abuses their rights for the reason of enjoying those immoral activities for their own satisfaction of annoying our government personnel? But why does our government cannot control those kinds of activities? Because until now they are still exist and continue doing such things.

Some conflicts also arises in political relationships that such politicians during election campaign are competing each other in their ability, skills and platforms to win the sympathy of the voters for them to be elected. But as we observed our political issues today are dirty in the image of many, because there are some powerful politicians that engaging immoral transactions and violations just in order to achieved and commit their missions to be in the position they desired, that affects political and civil rights. Most of that crimes increases in our generation today that cannot be easily avoided and prevented by politicians in a competition. Because of the thirst in power that influence them to engage in an unfair and illegal activities. It getting worst since many of minds and hands today are not afraid of committing sins.

Crises also affects our environment, community, society as well as to those who are really affected by poverty that causes many crimes like stealing, harassment and the groups that are often resort to armed means in using some civilian to be afraid of and compelled to give their needs. Are they doing this for the sake of their daily needs and in order to live long? Or there are some powerful persons involved as their back up for those illegal transactions? Why this thing couldn't be stop?

People belonging in different religion have different beliefs and create arguments and disagreements for the moral, ethics, and laws abiding their church. And conflicts started when they are arguing their beliefs that their religion is the only way to salvation, were in fact we ourselves knows our way. Conflicts between churches and government also arises in opposing the laws implemented by our leaders of which is against the law of God. For the reason of implementing those laws is for the growth and development of our country and to save us from poverty and for to lessen the increasing of our population but the churches disagree for the respect of everyone's right and dignity. Were we ourselves cannot be able to think clearly where to be a part between the two. How could peace be attained if we ourselves cannot have it in our mind?

Assembled for strikes and protest against the management of such company and government that leads to a tremendous events which able everyone to fight their rights that shows concern to our country from the abuses leaders who leads unacceptable actions to our society that throwing and abandoning the ability and skills of each individual who work for our country.

There are so many actions in our country that people always blaming our government. Hence, they don't even know and learn to understand that it is not easy to lead a certain country that contains a million kinds of different attitudes of persons living within. Why that always murmuring instead of doing some actions to prevent those kinds of tragedy? Actions that able our country to maintain peace and practice human rights in a righteous way to attain the harmonious living we desired to.

Many companies of such neighborhood countries are implementing such activities and programs as well as our country that help everyone to commit peace and order in our society. Conflicts in our society and countries controlled and minimized if we have peace in our hearts and mind, and sincere in every aspects of our life. Because peace is the structure in building our country through progress in our economic, individual, social as well as national growth. For without peace we cannot have freedom from our wants, fear and greater stability.

Problems and conflicts cannot be prevented in such community for it is just a part of an interaction between individual practicing their human rights, because even nation by nation's conflicts can be solved and attained how much more in a small community. It is in our origin ever since in our ancestors history of their living. Conflicts are always present elsewhere it

depends on us on how to deal and live life with initiative strategy and plans that peace is the line to avoid conflicts in our surroundings, and to let everyone to feel the justice and equality treated in our society.

In our homes we should be more practical in analyzing and making decisions that the members of the family can understand and cooperates each other in order to maintain the peace and harmony. Because if some of the members cannot have the peace in her selves it could lead to a break-up of the relationship inside their family. As we considered those who have a broken family, it's because no one can lower their pride and always make ahead to their partner without thinking that it can cause conflicts to their relationships. It is sad to say that many of our people today are suffering of such situation regarding to their family, how much more of our society today that many hard headed people are now roaming in our environment that wanted to get the attention of everybody in order them to give importance without knowing that they are disturbing and give a dirty image in our society. For me it could be more difficult of today's generation to handle the situation of being far from the living we are trying to dream of because not all of us are cooperating to maintain to have a good, clean and beautiful image in our society.

Peace is the way in order to have stability in our economy and in fulfilling the economic rights. Through peace government and public servants social responsibility to respect human rights and to promote and fulfill those obligated by law to attain harmony as they go about their work. In some instances peace can be attain in such groups if they are cooperating each other for the success of everyone's life and to achieved their main objectives to a productive organization.

Peace in our community can bring individual to act and developed their life in a way that anyone can do. Those leaders also can promote their ability and skills in monitoring and preparing their community to be able his/her people to have a brighter future.

Peace inside or outside in society can give an impact in every individual to develop and create their own styles of living without any actions of violations that can lead to live their life to the fullest. And can bring an society to sustain their people to have a better living and to make their environment away from such questions and complains.

Peace is the key element to live life to the fullest where discrimination is away in one's mind. Let us develop peace in ourselves as we develop and spread it all over the world.

As a human being we are important in this world as God created us and our duty is to follow His wisdom of peace and serenity. We should love one another to have peace in our hearts as what God feels His love for us and treated us as His children equally. And each one of us must know the value of ourselves in order to apply peace and human rights.

Peace must last if human rights are respected, where the people are fed, and where individuals and nation's are free. And justice is the way to achieved peace.