

Religious Cults and Sects cause Chaos and Conflict

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“One can realise the divine truth only in one’s own soul divine in quintessence of divine serenity through divine experiences that are constant, consistent and innately sincere in nurturing the spirit of life and the universal spirit of humanity in divine compassionate love; not by reading scriptures or by blindly following a spiritual leader of a cult or a sect. Divine Love with divine integrity therefore is the greatest religion of humankind.” - Jyotikar Pattni

Indian religious values are plummeting globally as a result of breakdown in the universal consciousness of the core Sanatana Dharma (universal religion). The ancient most antique religions of the world, ‘Sanatana Dharma’ based on the principles and values of the most ancient Vedic wisdom (including the core foundations of Upanishads – the knowledge of the Brahma God and Atman soul) has been divided, segregated and sadly fragmented in the last ten thousand years of Indian history. Indian integrity has been globally subjected to thousands of denominations and substantial cultism and sectarianism, resulting into jungle of fragmentation.

The Indian caste system is believed to have given rise to so many different sub groups and divided the whole Sanatana dharma into so many sub-religions, sub-cults and sects and as a result made our divine spiritual tree weaker at the core of its bark (support). Gandhi once wrote: "A man may not believe in God and still call himself a Hindu". In all that is truthfulness, there is also the shadow of falsehood and in all that is falsehood there is also a glimpse of the light. Like the Ying and Yang principle of energies. There is no absolute darkness nor is there absolute light. The perpetuity of the rotation always creates days and nights as if the moon were the eyes of the sun, and the sun the soul of the galaxy. The dawn and the dusk are such fine exemplification of the night meeting the day and vice versa, that absoluteness is not an empirical manifestation according Hinduism albeit God eternal infinite is absolute phenomenon, absolute non-manifest.

When a non-Hindu, or non-elite youngster enters the jungle of Hinduism, either through Yoga or Hindu movements, or cults, or sects, or any of the thousands of denominations, such an alien person might spend all the wealth and whole lifetime, in the complex jargons of Hinduism, and probably even get totally confused thereby excommunicating effectively in the lifetime here and now.

Hinduism divided in India over time, in many perspectives. The division tends to favour more of the "devotional" thesis rather than theological anti-thesis. Hinduism is also divided due to the chosen way of Yoga (sadhana) or Meditation (practice). Buddha chose "the middle way"; Transcendental Meditation or Zen choose their own way; some choose the emotional "Bhakti" way, others overemphasise the use of "mantras" or "koans"; "tantric" Hinduism uses rites and rituals. Anyone who writes a commentary of the Vedas or the Gita, who becomes a head of a new denomination or a cult or a sect, becomes cherished as a HERO of that movement.

There are now over 1,000 famous commentaries of the Gita alone, without counting the not so famous ones, and any "hero-guru" or "hero-swami" or "hero-Ssadhu" or "hero-Demi-God" (as some individuals claim to call themselves specifically as Vama-Deva, or Deva) can start a new original denomination at any time. Hinduism rejects nothing. It is all comprehensive, all tolerant, all complaint!

Is it a fact or a parable that cults and sects have brought about much confusion and chaos? It is the fact that more Hindu movements and missions are being created in the west, especially in the U.S.A., where Indian religion is swayed in mammoth institutionalisation and individualisation. So many missions are growing giving rise to super intellectual Gurus who become their heads, or leaders and create followers all over the world. The Hinduism magazine itself is owned an American converted into Hindu, as is the heritage of Vedic Astrology and other Ayurvedic sciences. Most movements of Hindu cults and sects in the west are controlled by non-Hindu converted into Hindu. Hinduism, Vedantins, Vedic Astrology, Ayurvedic sciences, and much more, are all true divine heritages of India. Yet their umbrellas reign in the control and ownership of the west. Substantial growth is evidential in various 'movements', 'missions', 'sects', 'cults', 'institutional religions', 'individual heroisms', 'groups', and further sub divisions of Indian Vedic religion continue to sway Indian Hindu Integrity into deeper perplexities and gross differentiations amongst our own global Indian integrity albeit the individual heroism continue to obscure 'altruism of universal faith of true Hinduism'.

For example, Sikhism, Buddhism and Jainism are branches emanating from Sanatana Dharma. However, from conflict between one Indian school of faith and another Indian school of faith, these sub-religions have evolved in time in India due to mainly distinction and division in India from the class system. These branches of sub-religions have further sub-divided into tribal religions.

Over the years, not only has Sanatana Dharma (universal Indian religion) become divided but the recent times have given rise to cults and sects that detriment and fragment the core essence of Hinduism further. For example, there are various sects and cults who proclaim and believe in movements like Sattya Sai Baba movements; the AmritaMayi movement, the Hare Krishna cults, Swami-Narayan sects, Chinmaya missions, Rajneesh Baba cult, Maharishi Mahesh Yogi Cult, and many hundreds more in the west. Most of the religious movements and cults and sects are groups. Some of the leaders of such movements even proclaim to be Demi-God heads and followers sing their personal hymns and praises instead of the Vedic hymns.

It is very confusing indeed for non-elite youngsters who are already more than confused to choose a path of divinity; from which their souls would actually transmigrate towards higher loftier platform of true sublime spiritualism.

So much cultism and sectarianism has emanated from the core roots of our Indian religion, that conflict and confusion has become eminent amongst our own kind. Fragmentation of "dharma" (religion-righteousness), into cults, sects, institutions, colourful umbrellas, divisions, differentiations, and individualism only creates dualism, chaos, conflict, and confusion. In the dualism of fragmentation of dharma, individual personal heroism grows. So much growth in sects and cults has emanated from within the crux of main religions and Sanatana Dharma (universal religion), that their manifestations have created conflict, chaos and confusion amongst our own kind, within our own parameters of Global Indian integrity, and between our own families.

The eternal divine light of all lights is available within our atman, within our soul divine, within our reach. One must have faith in one GOD, none other than one that is the truth - that is the non-dual truth - that is the AUM, the first sound of Gods, the word, the mantra, the Sublime eternal God whose paramguru is GANESHJI. The nirguna swaroopa of this God is ATMAN, the sarguna swaroopa of this God is Brahma-Vishnoo-Mahesh; 'Maha Brahmani-MahaLakshmee-MaaKali' (the trinity of Hindu Godhead). The trinity of Hindu Godhead is embodied in one form – that which is MAHA-GANAPATTAYEH.

The Vedic Sanatana Dharma embraces all major religions of the world like a mother embraces different children alike regardless of their look, form and shape. True Vedic Sanatana Dharma speaks of one God. Christians may call it Jesus, Muslims may call it Allah, and we may call it Rama.

All different faiths lead us to the same destiny just as all rivers finally merge into the divine ocean losing their names and forms. The crux of the problem with modern world RELIGION ('dharma') is that so many sects and cults have emanated out of so many 'man made' religious umbrellas that there seems to be so much confusion and conflict all over the world as a result. Many tantrics, modern age Gurus claiming to be Avatars and pious Gods and Demi-Gods, modern Hindu Heroes, and tantric magicians impress upon many and create mass followers of their cults, sects and individual umbrellas. **Such individual heroism in the name of religion is neither righteousness nor the essence of Santana Dharma.**

Whilst singing praises of their own and merging their own names with Rama or Krishna, such heroes never actually utter the sacred true maha Brahma Mantra of AUM:

"Aum Tat Sat Ssvadhayeh Ssvadhayeh Swaha; Hari Aum Tat Sat -Tat_Vam Asi Soham Hamnsa Hamnsa Hum AUM SoHum Swaha"

This is the Brahma Mantra of AUM. If the so called proclaiming Gurus have conquered Brahma [the eternal divine God] and have become it in their claims, then the first question to these so called demi-god figures is that why this particular mantra is never recited in any of their mammoth gatherings, in surrendering all to that one divine supreme BRAHMA-PARAM-ATMAN-PARA-BRAHMAH-JAGAD-ATMAN-EISHWAAR – "Hari Aum Tat Sat Swaha Jaya satt-chitt Ananda ParamaAnanda TatvamAsi".

All the Holy names like JESUS, ALLAH, WAHE-GURU, YA, MAA, RAMA, KRISHNA, BUDDHA, alike have been recognised by Upanishads and the Vedas to mean one and the same thing. Here is the authentic source upon which one must truly realise the solemn divine truth of the universal spirit of Humanity, universal spirit of compassion, universal spirit of Goodwill and universal spirit of divine love.

However, the rest of the fragmentation becomes a WEB, entangling our minds, our lower intellects, and our lower perceptions into the falsehood of the wheel of samsahr.

As a Hindu, One need only read the GANESH- ASHTHAK-ATHARWASHIRSHA-PATHD and nothing else in life 100 times then one shall obtain heaven. One who recites Hanuman Chalisa clearly without any flaw, 108 times, shall receive heaven. One who recites the DEVI-MAHATMYA will receive the divine embrace of maa at death. One who is in the divine shelter of HARA-SHIVA, and one who recites the mahamrutyunjaya mantra 125,000 times is immortally divine. One who observes spiritual practice with the Great Gayatri Mantra 125,000 times will become as illumined as the INDRA God. So many more simplified examples of sadhana (spiritual practices) are available to a Hindu based upon their respective nakshattara (constellations of stars) and based upon their rashis (horoscope). Each spirit of life has its own unique flow like a river. Each river is a unique flow of force of water in its own kind with its own integrity and with its own divine beauty. Each human spirit is therefore born in the potential divine metamorphosis of becoming a BRAHMA OR GOD.

Now then; when such divine nectars are available, why must one NOT choose from them and instead dwell in the fragmentations and dualism of man made religion, and falsehood of the wheel of samsahr?

ALL ENCOMPASSING ONE DIVINE BEAUTY MANIFESTS IN MANGAL SWAROOPAM. MAHA-GANADHIPATTAYEH SHREE MAHADEVAYEH RIDHI-SIDHI SWAMI. HE IS THE DIVINE GURU OF ALL. Let Maha_Gana_dhi_Pattayeh guide you and your families. Let Hanumanji-Maharaj nurture you and guide you and your families towards the truth - the divine truth, that one truth that does not have ANOTHER meaning nor another purpose but the one and the only one divine truth - that which is the ATMAN-SOUL - Universal Humanity, Universal compassion, universal love, and universal integrity of purity, divinity, clarity, beauty, sublime, and ever rejoice blissful. My only divine intention is to share - what is righteous beyond doubts not to share what MAY be righteous.

There is NO conviction nor any bitterness nor any wrong in my part. I am only trying to share what I believe to be whole divine truth based on many divine experiences. If I kept this information to myself, I would be very selfish indeed. I hope that I am not. It is better to observe silence than to utter bad words. However, it is very disheartening when we see confusion and perplexity in younger persons seeking guidance and help to enhance themselves towards the righteous paths. The young have great potential to grow into great divine lights of delights and we must owe to them the divine truth.

We should take time to give guidance and help to our younger ones and this investment in time is essential within our families to create a strong spiritual foundation in our children, in our siblings.

The world at large is not the world of intellectual elite aware and awakened world of Vedic wisdom. I come face to face with the younger generation whose innate divinity overwhelms me. Many of these youngsters inspire me immensely and I cherish some of them even as my divine Gurus because of their beautiful innocence and beautiful thought processes.

Herewith, I can only share what I have learnt in the passage of time from my spiritual experiences.

Consistency, constancy, and sincerity in devotion with divine intention is the essence of true spiritualism towards true delight of the light of Great Divinity. Take time to observe silence and realise that amidst the noise, haste and all the wasteful aggression, there is a subtle spirit of life that we often forget to nurture and listen to.

The greatest religion in the world is therefore LOVE. There is only one God - which God is in our soul divine. We must not speak lies. We must not hate each other but when someone is in the darkness, we must not let this person remain in the darkness and help this person come out of darkness. Dharma is Family-hood.

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We need to establish the true facts. I live in my principles, and integrity and purity. Many conferences I have attended, I come across heart broken young persons, who are totally fragmented and tearful in the main essence of not knowing truly whom to follow? Which panchang to follow? Which mantra to follow? Which person to follow? WHAT IS RIGHT AND WRONG?

These are severe outbursts of young boys and girls who bring immense emotions and outbursts and even cry because they are so confused, so perplexed and so devastated at the magnitude of CONFLICT within our own kind. Now, if one fails to see this point, then what hope if any shall we give to our future generation children and what expectations shall have from them? This is the main issue we have with the HEROISM of Indian religious "Guruism"; is that we create too much of 'I', 'mine', 'me', 'yours', instead of compassionately embracing each other in love and affection without the confines of individual beliefs but within the supremacy of integrity of the soul divine, and, compassionate love.

All religions are the same. What is relevant is that we create a strong foundation out of our family-hood, by encouraging self-respect, by giving each other space, by loving each other, by caring for each other, by being religiously divine everyday to one another and by valuing each other within our own families. When we bring value and self-respect and integrity within our families within our own homes, we shall see that all the rest matters very little. The power of the cults and sects and movements will automatically diminish. Instead, the very strength of our own children will become light of thousand delights because we would have given them righteous foundation, with righteous guidance and righteous divine intentions! There are much more examples whereby when religion and religious boundaries of mine and yours is removed, we realise that there is so much to share and such little time on earth. This is significant and essential for our younger generation to learn. Here, the truth of the matter is that our own Indians in reality create empires of religious umbrellas and prestige in the name of religion. Truth is not "Dual". Dualism leads only to further conflict and fragmentations.

We are all flowers of the one garden - the garden of Holi Great Spirit of all Divine Life of all life. All are different rivers only in name, shape and form. But essentially all are waters and merge in the grand Divine Ocean of all waters.

For example, a Buddhist contemplates upon the soul divine in divine moments of quietness in sacred mantras and sacred meditative practices. Only Buddha is the guide towards soul realisation. Lord Buddha attained emancipation whilst alive and hence is a true exemplification of altruism of the soul. Soul never lies. We must always listen to our souls. For example, the Jain religion condemns Guruism other than the one supreme Jinendra-ParamaHansa-. Therefore, please note that core differences in major faiths and religions in comparison to religious sect, or sectarianism or cultism are essentially not one and the same thing.

Division adhesive to major world religions and major world faiths is a result of different cultures, different races and different walks of life.

Sanatana Dharma and all other world faiths perch upon soul, the atman and the param-atman as a crucial dialogue and in the “Yoga” (sadhana –of spiritual contemplation), the purpose of the human life is to realise the individual ‘jivan-atman’ and to be liberated from the bondages of the karmic cycles here and now. From the gross unreal to the real; from the falsehood of the mortality to the truthfulness of the immortality; from the gross darkness of ignorance to the enlightened illuminated light of many delights; from the mundane gross to the subtle fine lofty spiritual level; from the mortal death to the immortal spiritual emancipation.

Whatever be the walk of life, each one of the individual human soul is subjected to karma and subjected to its own unique journey in the passage of time; however each one of us merge in destiny and in destiny of death we all merge in the grand divine ocean of uniform cosmic order. Most faiths speak of the spirit going into the light or the spirit going into the darkness albeit in different parameters of theological perceptions.

Whereas fragmentation within one walk of life, one particular major faith like within Hinduism, or within Buddhism, or within Sikhism, or within Jainism, or within Judaism, emanates from movements, missions, sectarianism and cultism and organisational or institutional religious groups, all of which render individual heroism, and individualism rather than the crux of the altruism of core values of true religion.

True religion is the religion of humanity, it is the religion of the soul infinite, it is the religion of the compassion and universal love, it is the religion of the universal welfare of all alike, it is the religion of one family-hood, it is the religion of righteousness and in its simplicity core, true divine religion teaches us not to speak lies, not to control and own that which does not rightfully belong to us; not to hoard wealth but to share it with our families and those that need our help; caring and being considerate towards one another; giving self-respect and giving utmost awareness towards one’s integrity and towards one’s humility, sincerity and honesty; to love and to cherish one another in families and to bring warm loving compassion and togetherness in our families and in our homes; to make our children understand dharma. Sanatana Dharma embraces all religions of the worlds alike without any racial or cultural prejudices whatsoever and considers that in each one of the major world faiths, there is the light of truth. This is the Vedic wisdom. For me, it is my understanding that Sanatana Dharma is the mother of all religions.

We must learn to respect and to give self-respect to others alike rather than to judge them. To judge others on the premise of religion is to judge ourselves and in return judge God. Who are we to judge the Supreme Divine God and who are we to challenge the Supreme Divine God's ways. All are God's children. Everyone is a child of one Mother Earth, regardless of colour of the skin, respective faith or religion, status, family-hood, culture, nationality, caste, or creed.

Perhaps one needs to ponder and contemplate upon human rights and give equal respect and equal compassionate love to the integrity of other faiths and other religions. Sanatana Dharma does not condemn Christianity or Islam faiths; on the contrary it embraces both of them.

Our main problem has been the emanation of cults and sects and growth of denominations within Hinduism umbrella.

Sanatana Dharma based on Vedic principles does not encourage personal heroism to emanate from divinity from sects, cults, groups, movements, and denominations that divide "Sanatana-dharma-kutumbh" (religious family-hood) explicitly. These various missions, movements, 'isms', and political cults, sects, and organisations do NOT conform to the ethos of the core universal religious values or universal consciousness because in the end no firm conclusion prevails as to the emancipation or moksha-muktee of a spirit of life belonging to such groups, movements, and denominations.

In the main, sectarianism, cultism, and denominations in movements, missions, groups and political organisations always enrich their personal individual controllers and exploit the followers. Sects and cults often create conflict and confusion. Sects and cults often result into fragmentation and diminution – none of the sects and cults has given true divine spiritual emancipation to anyone.

DIFFERENTIATION AND FRAGMENTATION in India in the name of religion has been, is, and will be remaining the greatest if not the MOST sad set back INDIA has suffered in the history of time, is still suffering, and will probably suffer in the future. The minute you break truth into dualism and its meaning becomes dual, there no longer remains the truth. The truth has perished. In its place is the illusion, the falsehood of the samsahr.

It is our duty, our obligation and our moral right to safeguard true spirit of DHARMA and to do so in greatest integrity, highest spiritual consciousness, and without fear.

Fear is the root cause of all evil. Out of fear, if we were to SHUT UP and not say anymore, then one is a coward indeed. We may not see the world from the same eyes. Let us open our higher minds into searching what is right and what is wrong.

In this it is clear that only experience can show the truth.

Similarly, we are not humane if we remain unaffected by the mythological heroism projected by our modern day multifarious 'Guru-Heroes' all in the spirit of DHARMA. We need to all together understand and appreciate the altruism of DIVINE DHARMA. Divine dharma is universal religion of universal humanity, kindness, sincerity, honesty, self-respect, integrity, originality, love, togetherness and above all peacefulness, self-satisfying happiness, and global welfare.

However, in delivering the divine sublime light of wisdom, we can only share what is righteously beautiful. Like the rose is so beautiful but the stem of rose contains thorns. So, similarly the samsahr or the modernity of society contains such falseness that its magnitude is hurtful more in the fragmentations and conflicting chaos projected by the many propagandas and political religious sects and cults.

In the main, if wrongfulness is taking place by the various cults, sects, missions, and movements, to bring chaos and confusion and conflict, then one must stand up and deliver the truth. This truth may be heard, or may not even be heard. However, in time, from experiences, the truth becomes known and sooner than later, the souls realise the truth. TRUTH ALWAYS TRIUMPHS.

Let us not believe in the fragmentations caused in the name of religion (the sectarianism, the cultism, the missionary, the movements, the 'group-ism', the individualism, the institutionalism, and the fanaticism) but that of true divine spirit of true DHARMA – the universal compassion, the loving compassion towards the crux of hurt amongst the abused, the lost youth, the old and rejected, the poor and less fortunate. The true religion is compassion and love towards the less fortunate. We must remove the darkness and the ignorance first, the gross tantric fears of demeaning another humble soul. Falsity prevails in sects, cults, and man made religious movements. Truth only manifests in our soul compassion. What is more important than modern heroism emanating from Cultism and Sectarianism is that we learn the lessons of our karma and bring light of hope to the future generation children, we owe to them. If we fail to deliver the truth to our siblings, what expectations do we have from our own soul divine? Are we not deceiving our own true soul divine spirits of life by escaping from the crux of the issue? Truth alone triumphs not falsehood.

Conclusively and concisely, I raise the question to you the reader: What is really meant by the word “religion” (“dharma”) without the constraints of cults, sects, movements and denominations?

“Dharma” or “Religion”, is firstly our seed of consciousness, our inner most belief, our divine spirituality, our emotional metamorphosis, our metaphysical higher mind and our souls. God resides in everyone’s soul divine. Essentially then do you agree that all souls are the same? Every human soul is an embodiment of Brahmah, God, ‘Param-Eishwar’ (Eternal Great Spirit). RELIGION is our way of life. It is what we think, what we do and what feel everyday. Dharma means righteousness. Dharma essentially means moral conduct upon which human life is designed to behave and to bring law and order and welfare of the society.

In a society that is fearless, non-corrupt, compassionately humane, the habitants live peacefully and happily.

In a society that is filled with fear, threat, and corruption, habitants live in apprehension and diseases grow causing happiness to turn into sorrows. A society that is corrupt, polluted in high class discrimination, fragmented in multifarious denominations and individualism only renders fear, dualism of falsity, and under such conditions and circumstances, war, epiphanies, tragedies, diseases, and sudden upheavals are eminent.

The purpose of this paper is not to elaborate upon the major world faiths. The purpose of this paper is to explicitly address the issue of denominations growing out of major world faiths in particular focusing upon Hinduism (sanatana dharma), in hundreds of cults, sects, movements, missions, groups, organisations, institutions, and political individual fanatic propagandas.

Now, we have to all together contemplate upon the issue and raise this awareness amongst our families and try to search our own souls as to why our younger siblings become confused, tormented, and disheartened in conflict? Why there is no unity amongst our own kind left?

If these various movements and missions and cults and sects and groups and institutions claiming to fanatically be right in their own merits, why then none of these have rendered freedom, emancipation (moksha-muktee), or loving peacefulness to our families and communities and instead brought about conflict, confusion, disintegrations, and disparity, fear, and increase in miseries? For the sake of the Gods above, the higher order and for the sakes of our own souls, let us arise and awaken.

Divinity, divine sanatana dharma contemplates upon togetherness, upon divinity within our families and within our communities. Divine light is love revealed. Divine light is life manifested. Divine light is God fulfilled. From the Divine light of all lights we came into existence, in the Divine light of LOVE only we grow and evolve to understand in quintessence of silence, in serene contemplation of our SOUL that is no different to the universal grand soul.

Sweet be my departure from home, sweet be my return back to my spiritual home. Sweet be my divine life here and now; sweet be my compassionate love; sweet be my divine light of my soul; sweet be the beautiful trail I leave behind for the future generation children; sweet be my memories that I leave behind.

Our roots are in our family-hood. Our families create our divine homes giving divine love and divine compassion to each other. When in the main we speak lies our own, we are lying to our own souls our own selves. When we deprive our loved ones what is rightfully theirs (divine light of wisdom and guidance and companionship), we have deprived ourselves of the essential divinity. When we fret in noises and haste and waste time and not spend enough time with our families and our loved ones and our children, we have essentially become weaker in spirit and hence spread our own weakness upon our siblings. We can only eat and digest food and wealth that is rightfully ours and rightfully earned. We can generate great happiness by sharing, by giving love and by enjoying togetherness in divinity.

When we eat another's portion, we will NOT be able to digest the food and hence diseases will encompass sooner and grief and misery will follow. How can we share something that does not belong to us in the first place?

However, when we spend time to contemplate upon the divine truth in togetherness with our families in many shared moments of divine love and divine compassion, we overcome darkness and falsity in togetherness and in greater strength!

Oh divine spirit of life, let us all together hear all that is auspiciousness, let us all together see all that is auspiciousness, let us all together enjoy the little time we have together here and now in divine embraces, in loving compassion, and in return let us all together create auspiciousness to invoke auspiciously the true divine light of all delights. Jaya Satt-Chitt_Ananda. Aum Tat Sat _TatvamAsi Swaha. Hari Aum Tat Sat.

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