

Declaration on Respect for Life

Life is precious. We should love and respect life more than anything else in the world. We can pursue various goals, values and happiness thanks to life.

Human life is challenged by selfishness, mammonism, lack of consideration for others, and competition-oriented education, which are prevalent in our society and causing disdain toward human life.

We should lift these hurdles, uphold the following four core values pertaining to life, and achieve the peaceful and harmonious life as well as establish a culture of respect for life in our society.

1. Life of Responsibility

Life is the most dearest gift. It is our primary duty to keep the life precious and esteem it properly.

2. Life of Equality

Each human life has equal value. Differences among people does not indicate superiority and inferiority inherent in person *per se*. Therefore, the socioeconomic or cultural inequalities among them should be scraped off.

3. Life of Security

Peaceful life is achieved only when human life is protected. Any deterrent factor to human life should be abolished.

4. Life of Reciprocity

Human being does not and cannot exist alone. Our life could be nourished and flourished when we share goods in the human relationship in which we help, considerate, and encourage each other.

Agenda

Every individual, family, society as well as the State shall adhere to the following principles in order to actualize the core values pertaining to human life and promote the dignity of human life:

- We should appreciate our own life and strive for healthy living with good lifestyle.
- We should treasure each other's life with due respect and, in particular, take a good care of the socially disadvantaged.
- We should implement values and beauty of human life with exemplary words and deeds within our home.
- We should educate our children in the school so that they can understand values of human life and experience the respect for human life.
- We should be provided with safe and pleasant environment in workplace, learn to live together, and grow harmonious life.
- The State should remove any harmful social and environmental factors, protect and ensure citizens' life and safety.

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