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How far Gandhism influence  
the younger generation

India was known as a 'Golden Bird' in the early period. It was because India was a very rich and varied nation. It produced a large amount of food crops and cash crops like wheat, rice, cotton, jute etc. It was at that time when British came India and colonised our Nation that the name of our country India began to fade in the international market. The British colonised India and made Indians to work for them. And India witnessed a revolutionary change when a man came back to India from South Africa. And he was, Mohandas Karam Chand Gandhi, the Father of our Nation.

Gandhiji was a man of idealism. He always followed the path of 'truth' and 'ahimsa'. Ahimsa, meaning non-violence is the magic he produced in our nation. He said that, 'India's soul lies in the villages'. And he walked into the villages and found a place in the hearts of the villagers. He organised many satyagrahas. The idea behind his satyagraha

is making the enemies calm with the help of non-violence. He walked with common Indian people and tried to find out their actual situation. After coming back to India from South Africa he dedicated his life to India and the inhabitants of India. He protested against the unjust acts of Britishers. He was a man of truth and non-violence. Gandhiji has a special place in the minds of Indians. And he has influenced every people who had met near him.

Even now Gandhiji is an unbelievable person who have ever lived on earth. His ideas were all clear. He fought for the freedom of his nation. He is a big influence in the minds of younger generation. He gives us a feeling of patriotism. A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way. It is an old common saying and Gandhiji is an apt example while considering this saying. He lived for his nation, for the upliftment of the common people and had a perennial desire to give India its freedom. He worked day and night and for years and years for his dream to come true. This must be one's attitude when we dream for something.

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We should always follow the path of truth. Truth may sometimes seem so bitter, but it gives us an inevitable sweet when we reach our destiny.

We live in the a country where Gandhiji, Jawaharlal Nehru and many others lived. But we Indians do not realise its real value. Gandhian ideas and principles are considered very precious in some of our neighbouring countries. And even they have some courses to study relating to Gandhism. But Indians are not valuing it. Even though they may say we are the followers of Gandhiji, one of the greatest freedom fighters, it feels like their words and deeds are totally opposite. But still Gandhiji remains a great leader India witnessed in its lifetime.

Gandhiji is known by all from small children to the senior citizens. We celebrate Gandhi Jayanti on October 2<sup>nd</sup>. He is a mystery to many of us. His words are his deeds and his deeds are his words. The younger generation also must be brought up with the Gandhian ideals as their base. It is the only way to mould our youth and make India a developed nation. Our youth must develop a clear

Idea about Gandhism. It is usually seen nowadays that politics play a major role among students. Politics gives the children a harmonious growth and development. It helps them to be aware of what is happening in his surroundings. It develops or it helps to develop a leadership quality. But if they are more active in politics than necessary it may lead us to a fall in their studies and they won't be able to concentrate in their main aim. Actually Gandhism doesn't mean politics. But it means following your instinct. Following your intuition. Following your guts. Or else it is following your self. A longest journey one can make is to one's own self.

Grandhiji followed his intuition. He followed the things which he thought he was right. He lived for the commons and among the commons. All this notions must be sowed in the minds of the youth. And it should give the result at the time of its harvest. Even though the youth follows the Gandhian ideas as it had a great impact among them, they must be given the clear cut idea and aim of Gandhism.

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Abdul Kalam once said, 'The ignited mind of the youth is the most powerful weapon on the earth, under the earth and above the earth.' It is not only the youth, the younger generation is also a part of it.

Today's children are tomorrow's hope. And they must contribute in Nation building. They must be given a chance to showcase their talents. Ahimsa must be his weapon. You must be fearless. Once Gandhiji went to a village to solve their problems they seemed to be very afraid of the British rulers. And the only words said to them by Gandhiji is "Be not afraid". Why should you be afraid when you do right things? If we are right then we must be courageous enough to open up our mouth. It is divine to utter even a single word against the unjust.

Gandhiji was also a man who loved to read Bible. He always insisted to follow dharma and ahimsa and asked to love your enemies and make them understand the truth without using violence. 'To err is human, to forgive is divine'. These words must be always remembered. Gandhiji had struggled very much for our nation, to free our

nation from the iron-clutches of British. He not only gives us a sense of satisfaction but also a feel of patriotism. Gandhian laws help us to increase our love towards our mother country, India. It reminds us of the struggle and difficulties <sup>work</sup> beared by our the Indians. And also the number of people who gave their lives or sacrificed their lives to free India. India and Indian's are really adorable for their dedication.

Gandhism is actually a practise of selfless dedication and sacrifice to their nation and its beings. It has a great influence among the young. It is upto the younger generation to uphold the torch of truth and ahimsa. Let us shine and follow the path of 'satya' and 'dharma'. Today's young generations are tomorrow's nation builders. Find out all the mysteries and create a history.

