

Late. Ron Harris 'Dadaji' MESSAGE TO OUR YOUTH*

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THE MAN WHO WALKED WITH GANDHI

A 386 Km. walk for a non-violent protest in 1930

Albert Einstein was very poor at mathematics. One can say he was a failure, yet he came up with a concept of E=mc² and today he remains as the most outstanding scientist, who altered the course of the history.

Mohandas Karamchand Gandhi was also a failure, in his law practice in India when he moved to South Africa. Today he remains as the father of the non-violence movement who, like Einstein also changed the course of history.

They both had one thing in common "faith". Mr. Gandhi had said "A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history. They both indeed alter the course of history.

If you believe in something fundamental, then you must have faith. To achieve your belief, faith and path — what ever you may call it, you should not compromise. "All compromise is based on give and take, but there can be no give and take on fundamentals" Mr. M K Gandhi. If your compromise does not include the freedom of mutual agreement beneficial to all concerned then the scarification of your fundamentals is not worth the result.

Life is like a step-ladder. Every time we miss a step and fall, we understand the cause of the fall and that helps up to climb up. By learning from our mistakes we attain our dreams, our faith and our fundamental rights. Without making mistakes, one can not experience reasoning. Without falls, one can not experience success. Remember, what Mr. Gandhi has said "Freedom is not worth having if it does not include the freedom to make mistakes."

The sun is but a single body, yet its rays encompass the entire world and touches every living and non-living thing. Mahatma Gandhi, like the sun, was a one lone person who philosophy of non-violence has touched the globe.

You the youth of the world can be like the rivers emerging from one man's philosophy of non-violence, peace and freedom — The great Mahatma Gandhi. Streams fill the rivers, rivers fill the sea and you as streams of Gandhi's non-violent philosophy can spread his message all over the world.

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