
Resource 7 – what do others say about how to treat others?



Sikhism started at a time when Hindus and Muslims were finding it hard to live together in India. Sikhism teaches: **'we need to recognise the oneness of Humanity'**.

The *Guru Granth Sahib*, the holy book of the Sikhs also says **'no one is my enemy, none a stranger and everyone is my friend.'**

Buddhism believes that all people are equal, as they are all able to reach enlightenment (remember what we learnt in previous scheme of work?). They teach: **'May all beings be happy. May they be joyous and live in safety... let none by anger or hatred wish harm to another.'** (Metta Sutra, Buddha's teaching on loving kindness)

Jesus taught: **'You shall love your neighbour as yourself'**. He also said: **'Do for others what you want them to do for you.'** (Matt: 7:12)

Islam teaches that **'All God's creatures are His family.'** (Hadith)

Martin Luther King said: **'we should never forget that everything Adolf Hitler did in Germany was 'legal'. Even so, I am sure that, had I lived in Germany at the time, I would have helped and comforted my Jewish brothers and sisters.'** He also said: **'the time is always right to do what is right.'**

Judaism also teaches that: **'What is hateful to you, do not do to your fellow man. This is the law.'** (Talmud Shabbat 31a)