

## **Module 7**

### **Conflict resolution**

World history presented both the First and Second World Wars as two of the worst atrocities in human history. Such excessive negative representation enhanced the emergence of human rights by the mid-twentieth century. Calls came from all around the world for reinforcing and improving human well-being, as well as for promoting and protecting individual and group rights.

Since then, systematic and massive violations of human rights, human security, and individual/group rights have taken us back to traditional concerns of Existentialism over the dark side of human nature. More so, humanity itself, and human nature, are now in question.

The collapse of the values on which societies have been founded since the agricultural, then the industrial, revolutions, all the way through our days, made us in need to create a formula that allows humans to survive, or shall we say, a formula that does not threaten the oblivion of mankind.

Military campaigns, genocide, slavery, the era of occupation, the post-world war settlements, chauvinism, racial privileges, racial discrimination, monopoly, and the domination of wealth and exclusion were all born of educational systems. They gave birth to such educational systems in the impoverished parts of the world, and all that has fakeness in their foundations is false in their being.

And in contrast to all this, a reaction was born fighting hatred with hatred, organized killing, and theft of wealth empowering organized hatred through investing the power of the weak.

The concepts of peace, rejecting conflict, and reconciliation are all temporary concepts. Since war has erupted, peace has been a momentary operation, and since conflict has arisen, mitigation has merely negated the conflict itself, unless it eliminated the reasons for the said conflict. Reconciliations are momentary pardons of the instance of conflict, letting bygones be bygones.

Perhaps the time has come for the culture of the white man to instill the notion of love, and the right of all men to live, forsaking all notions of racial, gender and religious superiority. There is no doubt that the first gateway to all that is education, and then media and culture in both cinema and literature.

And in turn, those with finances must give to those without, to ensure that they have a decent living, that they may live like human beings; billions of dollars should be afforded to repair the educational systems.

Peace is not a want, but rather a need; the advanced world, those who have contributed to the injustice of others and those who have not are all becoming aware of the danger that is approaching, ever so closer to burning their fingers. Politicians must desist from toying with others and creating dark forces and terrorist groups. There must be a deterrent to political money, to greed, to cold-hearted pragmatism and the amassment of wealth without restriction, to bullying without deterrence, to the absence of the human conscience without contingency, to the double standards, and the absence of the rule of law.

Terminologies may vary, but the first step, and perhaps the alternative to all, is spreading the culture of love, in a world on the brink of the abyss.