

Opening Letter

Morality in a Changing Global Society

We are living in a time of rapid change to all the previous orders that seemed firm and constant in the past.

In the process of change, nothing is more effective to the society and human thought than the change in moral views, ideas, and concepts.

Mankind's crucial problems, such as the environmental crisis, explosion, national / regional conflicts and wars, have put in to danger the survival of man on this planet. While the nations are trying to develop a more effective co-op global system of acting in solidarity, the nation-state societies are disintegrating. The bonds become weaker, and living with each other becomes more difficult.

In the secular communities, separation of morals (from religion) has resulted in separation of man from morals. When moral values are separated from divine origin; apart from God they have no foundation, nor support.

In the recent decades, many international organizations, and Islamic inter-states institutes, such as World Parliament of Religions, or Interfaith Dialogue have tried to reconstruct a moral system on the basis of the common values of the great Abrahamic world religions.

We believe this as a sound basis, and will provide our further comments and approaches in this regard in our next issues.

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