

## Why 'Religions' need Reorientation?

### Question::

*What does "religions becoming obsolete" mean? Why does religions need to be reoriented?*

*(or)*

*What does it mean to become Spiritual? What sort of attitude makes one SPIRITUAL?*

*(or)*

*How can one become "spiritual"?*

### Answer:

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**"What is wrong with the world today?" Such questions are bound to arise in thinking minds, but often the answers given are not completely honest.**

Diagnoses given and remedies adopted have all been biased and so the situation remains vague and unresolved.

***The crux of the matter lies in the correct reinterpretation of the ancient word—'religion'.*** The West has very little religion, and whenever one hears of it, it is either subservient to politics or at best an adjunct of material life. The East is suffering from an overdose of religion, and consequently it hankers desperately for a material antidote.

'Religion in the West' is synonymous with scientific progress, which is distinctive in its manifestation. 'Religion in the East' and in India in particular, has gone underground and been replaced largely by

- crude ceremonies,

- vague rituals, and
- lifeless dogmas.

**Instead of nourishing the seeds of peace and plenty, this subterranean religion tries to propagate**

- **communism,**
- **fanaticism,**
- **nationalism, and**
- **patriotism,**

**which have now become bywords associated with 'leadership and greatness', 'suffering and sanctity'. In short, religion as a “living force” has become obsolete.**

*The urgent need of today to resuscitate religion is to dig it out of its narrow, dark vault and let the 'spirit of man' shine out once again in its pristine glory.*

**The most practical thing in the world is to be spiritually-minded.**

- It needs no special time, place or circumstance.
- It is not necessarily concerned with anything out of the ordinary daily routine.
- IT IS NEVER TOO EARLY OR TOO LATE TO BE SPIRITUAL. It is just a simple question of having “proper mental attitude” towards
  - lasting value,
  - changing circumstance, and
  - avoidable eventualities, as well as
  - a HEALTHY SENSE of the “inevitable”.

**“Spirituality” is not restricted to nor can it be restricted by anyone or anything, anywhere, at any time. It covers all life for all time, and it can easily be achieved through “selfless service” and that “pure love” which knows no bondage and seeks no boundary.**

***A mighty surge of this spirituality is about to sweep over the world.***

**My blessings to you all.**

– Meher Baba

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