

What would We Learn from Ants to Build World Peace?

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It was a sunny afternoon, wind blowing through the trees, with a blue and white sky. People were moving around, some of them from school and others going to other activities. On Wednesdays, we usually don't have any activities after school. One Wednesday I hung around with my friend Ruth after school, even though it wasn't on my schedule. I thought I might be wasting my time, but something made me think differently.

We went down to our school farm to eat guava. Afterwards we wandered around just talking. As we were walking, something caught our eyes. We saw little ants entering and coming out of a big hole on the ground. As they came out it seemed like they were bringing little pieces of soil, trying to build something. I was surprised by how they worked together and how much they had already brought up. Then next day I wanted to know more about ants, how they communicate, how they live, and other facts about them. As I studied more, I realized that there are lessons human beings can learn from ants.

Human beings can learn from ants' behavior and the way through which they accomplish their tasks. I personally observed them and got two lessons from ants. First, ants are small but they build huge structures because they add on what other ants did. Second, I learnt from how when ants work together, they are many, but despite the fact that they are many, they achieve their enormous goal effectively. What can we humans learn from the above experiences and how can they help us in the future?

First, ants build on each others' work. From my research about ants, I saw big structures built by ants. It made me question how these little creatures manage to build very large and complicated structures. Recalling what I saw with Ruth, we saw something special about ants' work - they add on to what other ants have built. To build very amazing structures, I learnt that ants work in a way that they build on what other ants have built, and overtime, these structures become big and amazing. We as human beings can learn from this system in building world peace. Building world peace might take longer but it isn't impossible. World

peace is possible if we can work like ants, using our efforts to add on to what others did. World peace is possible if we can use our strengths to add on what people like Mahatma Gandhi and other remarkable peace makers did.

Second, ants, even though they work as hundreds or more, accomplish their task. Imagine if you called five hundred people to build a hill, would they accomplish that task? Unlike human beings, ants can build or work on one task when they are five hundred or more and they would be successful. For human beings, having one task when we are many, it is very hard for us to accomplish the task. We wouldn't get to agree upon who is leading, or how we are going to make the task happen. On the road to building world peace it is vital to learn from ants how to make this huge goal a reality when we are billions on one big goal. Building peace globally is still very complicated to us humans, but ants give us a great example and a nice starting point to building world peace.

To sum up, nature holds many things and we can learn from nature a lot of lessons. Ants, part of nature, teach us about building huge goals, like world peace, by using our strength to add on the work done by others and accomplishing tasks when we are many, like achieving world peace when we are billions of people working on it. These lessons from ants are very essential for the whole planet for now and for the future to build world peace. World peace attained, would nature help us to sustain world peace?