

Kavignar Kannadasan: An Inspirational Messenger to the Youngsters

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Abstract

The basic eternal quality of divine mind is born through questioning. Our mind should use reason or logic in thinking out a problem. Being an intelligent to find a remedy, it will utter some questions in our mind. Questioning is the most important basic and for-longing skill for an individual to live a better life. For school student, questioning will help to get a clear view about the particular phenomena or concept. For an employee, it will helpful in their individual development for a successful life. For citizen, it will lead the country into a right path. A fundamental skill is the ability to ask powerful questions. The rational ideas are born out of questioning. Powerful questions evoke clarity, introspection, lend to enhanced creativity and help provide solutions. This will develop our critical thinking skill. This is what Kannadasan's lyrics dealing with so. He emphasizes that the intelligence is born through questioning. The crux of the song is you should not cower in fear and question authority when necessary. We are dealing this paper in this aspect of translation.

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Kannadasan was a prolific writer and his writing covered a variety of forms- poems, novels, lyrics for Tamil films and books on spirituality. He was a Tamil poet and lyricist, heralded as one of the greatest and most important lyricists in India who is frequently called as *Kaviarasu*. Many of his poems have been translated into French. *Yesu Kaaviyam* was his last literary work.

“The important thing is not to stop questioning. Curiosity has its own reason for existing” said by Einstein. Questioning is the most important basic and for-longing skill for an individual to live a better life. One of the basic mistakes that we all are doing is not questioning openly. Most of us are not comfortable with asking questions. Because, lack of interest or else lack of curiosity. If it is for lack of interest means, an individual has to make out of it instead of curiosity. For a better life, everyone should have this as their basic and foremost prioritised one in their life.

Questions are important to the students in a class for two reasons:

1. Students learn to ask questions by asking questions. Students learn to ask good questions by asking questions and then receiving feedback on them. Students learn to become scholars by learning to ask good questions.

2. A student asking a question is at that moment a self-motivated learner - a researcher. This is the behaviour we are trying to nurture.

Questions are also important to you as a teacher:

1. Questions tell you that your students can understand and are thinking about what you say. If you begin to talk at too high a level, students will stop understanding and thinking, and will ask no questions. Questions tell you whether your class is asleep or awake.
2. If encouraged, students will ask questions about concepts they do not understand. These questions give you immediate feedback when you are unclear and tell you where you need to spend more time.
3. Education is a dialog between student and teacher. It is not a monolog - if it were, students could simply buy the textbook and read it themselves. Students attend classes so that 2-way communication can occur.

If student asking questions in classroom, it will help him to get a clear idea about the particular concept. Not only this, but also it will enrich his thinking towards this which may lead to find out with new ideas. Beyond this, our technologies are developing nowadays. This all because of questioning in which it made him to search for more and more new things. This is how our country has been developed. This is how our nation has been developed. This is how an individual's responsibilities have been developed.

“Knowledge is having the right answer. Intelligence is asking the right question”. Questioning is the ability to organize our thinking around what we don't know. It has the ability to assess, challenge and support what you have understood. It will enrich and develop the knowledge. It also initiates and encourages the active participation. It improves the confidence level in public speaking.

Reasoning is the action of thinking about something in a logical and sensible way. It is very essential thing in our day-to-day life. Without reasoning, we couldn't come to know anything for its purpose of existing. To be rational means to be able to reason.

Reasoning is to strengthen your ability to draw logical conclusions. Our everyday life is filled with situations in which we need to make use of our reasoning abilities.

Reasoning is the outcome of questioning. Making decision is part of our life. For that reasoning and questioning plays a vital role. How means, if you want to take a right decision in a critical situation automatically many questions arise within you. You may search for answers. But, for that also, there is reasoning whether this question needs an answer instead of another. Likewise, our day-to-day life is fully synergic with this only. We couldn't skip over this in any occasion. Because, it is foremost part of our daily life for the meaning of survival.

Every one of those choices for past, present and future is a decision made on the basis of some good or bad, better or worse, right or wrong logics. If we don't make any conscious decision and take no action at all, then our logic is pure passivity and indifference. Inaction is no less a decision than action.

If we make decisions based on our purposes, plans and promises, relative to our values, beliefs, knowledge, understanding and wisdom, however, then we reason about our options and make decisions based on rules or principles interference for weighing, assessing and evaluating options and alternatives and their outcomes.

Reasoning skill provokes the critical thinking as well as the creative thinking of an individual. The critical thinking helps to the objective analysis and evaluation of an issue in order to form a judgement. It is one of the most sought-after skills in almost every industry and every workplace. If an individual with this can be able and trusted to make decisions on his or her own and doesn't need any other handholds.

This is what the author tries to convey in his verse,

ஏன் என்ற கேள்வி -இங்கு
கேட்காமல் வாழ்க்கை இல்லை
நான் என்ற எண்ணம் - கொண்ட
மனிதன் வாழ்ந்ததில்லை

பகுத்தறிவு பிறந்ததெல்லாம் கேள்விகள் கேட்டதனாலே
உரிமைகளைப் பெறுவதெல்லாம் உணர்ச்சிகள் உள்ளதினாலே

“There is no life without by asking questions...
An individual who has the expression of I never exists...
Rational thinking or thoughts are born out of asking questions...
Since receiving our rights by having emotions...”

- Kannadasan

Out of reasoning, our creativity evokes the imaginative thoughts for a better one among the wholesome which also leads a better life. This leads to a self-awareness of own self and become a better problem solver.

Albert Einstein says that “Imagination is more important than knowledge. Imagination is the language of the soul. Pay attention to your imagination and you will discover all you need to be fulfilled”. This was achieved by Walt Disney. He created his own imaginative world and creative characters, thus became very fame.

“Education is not the learning of facts, but the training of the mind to think”.

Education also plays an important role. It is not only taught the phenomenon of particular concepts. But also, it stimulates the mind to think. The basic eternal quality of divine mind is born through questioning. The intelligence is born through questioning. Everything revolves around in this aspect. Thus, this is considered as the basic need of our life nowadays.

There are many reasons and ways to state the above of why it is important in everyday's life. Perhaps, the best is simply this the better you are at logic and questioning, the more likely you are to be master of your own life.

“Critical thinking is a desire to seek, patience to doubt, fondness to meditate, slowness to assert, readiness to consider, carefulness to dispose and set in order and hatred for every kind of imposture” – Francis Bacon (1605).

Likewise, the author dealt his themes for the life in which it contains the basic need for life, philosophical thought for youngsters, unconditional love and care, avoiding egoistic attitude, relationships, etc. His philosophical messages are the most inspiring one and more useful for the very young generations to live a better life.

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