



*Today's Suggested
Topic is...*

**Tolerance
and the
Intolerable**



“Love and tolerance
of others is our code.

~Big Book, pg 84



WHAT IS TOLERANCE?



*Are tolerant
people more happy,
or are happy people
more tolerant?*

TOLERANCE

DEFINITION

Tolerance is the acceptance and understanding of differences, whether they be in beliefs, opinions, practices, or identities. It's an open-mindedness that refrains from prejudice and judgment, valuing the diverse tapestry of humanity. Tolerance does not necessarily mean agreement with varied perspectives but respects the right of others to hold them.

EXAMPLES

- **Diverse Workplaces:** Encouraging a variety of cultural, ethnic, and gender perspectives in the workplace, fostering inclusivity and innovation.
- **Respecting Lifestyle Choices:** Understanding and accepting people's decisions about personal matters like diet, clothing, or relationships, even if they differ from one's own.

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Real tolerance means respecting other people even when they baffle you and you have no idea why they think what they think.



G. WILLOW WILSON

**“I THINK TOLERANCE AND ACCEPTANCE AND
LOVE IS SOMETHING THAT FEEDS EVERY
COMMUNITY.”**

LADY GAGA

Practice forgiveness,
love, and tolerance today -
so when it's difficult,
you will have some experience.

Lisa Villa Prosen



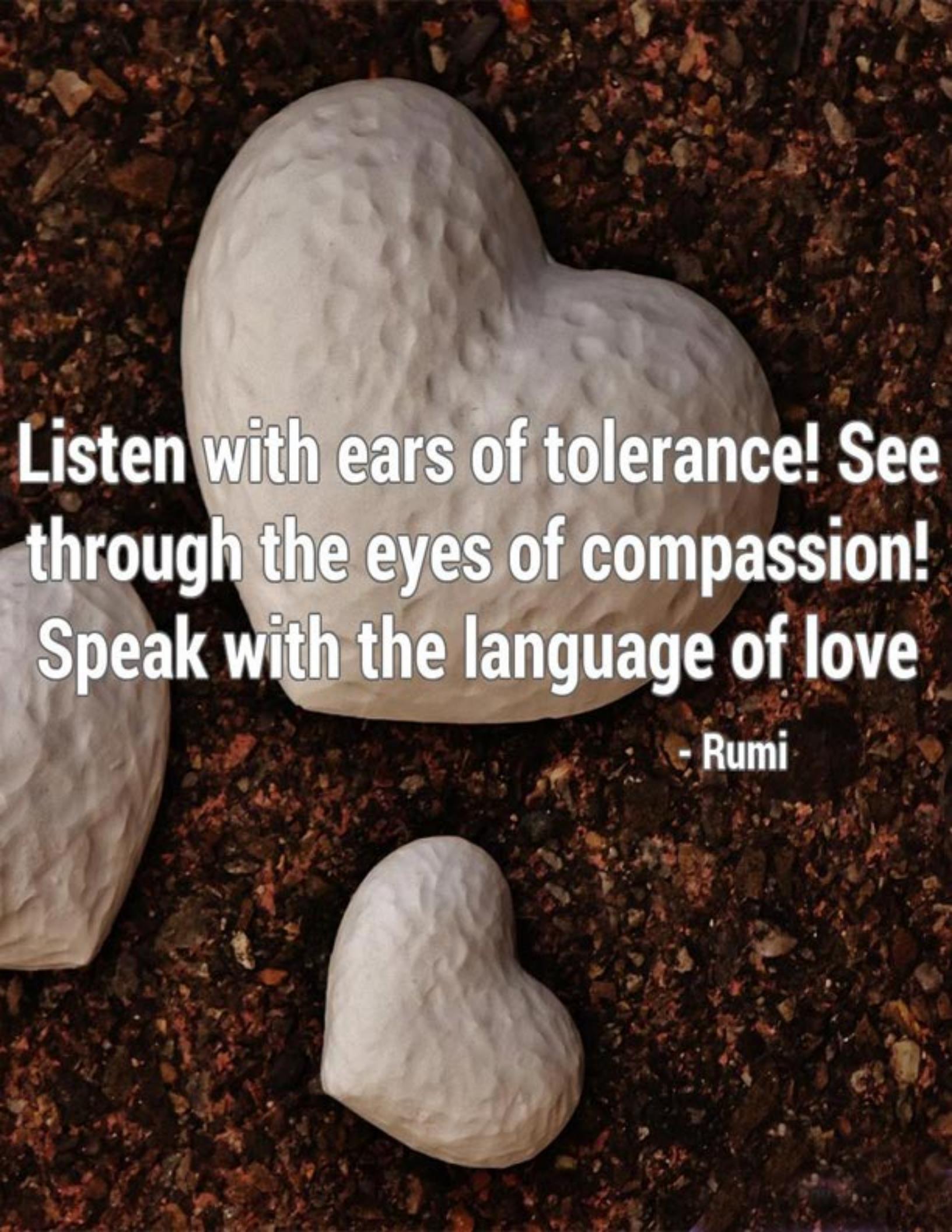
"In the practice of tolerance, one's enemy is the best teacher."



Dalai Lama

peace
begins with
tolerance
and
respect
for everyone

The ANSWER to
VIOLENCE should
NEVER BE
MORE VIOLENCE.
WE NEED LOVE
and TOLERANCE
MORE than
EVER.



**Listen with ears of tolerance! See
through the eyes of compassion!
Speak with the language of love**

- Rumi

Unconditional love

**DOES NOT MEAN
UNCONDITIONAL TOLERANCE.**

Unlearn that.

**Be careful what
you tolerate. You are
teaching people how
to treat you.**



Tolerance always has limits - it cannot tolerate what is itself actively intolerant.

(Sidney Hook)

“It’s entirely possible to accept something while choosing not to tolerate it.”

WHILE WE MUST
PRACTICE TOLERANCE
AND RESPECT FOR
OTHERS AND THEIR
BELIEFS,
INCLUDING THEIR RIGHT
TO EXPLAIN AND
ADVOCATE THEIR
POSITIONS,
WE ARE NOT REQUIRED
TO RESPECT AND
TOLERATE WRONG
BEHAVIOR.

Tolerance
becomes a crime
when applied
to evil.

- Thomas Mann

TOLERANCE VERSUS ACCEPTANCE

TOLERANCE

Tolerance is an individual's willingness to tolerate the existence of opinions or behaviour he dislikes or disagrees with

A kind of passive resignation

We might tolerate a person we dislike

We tolerate something we want to change but don't have the power to change

ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance is an individual's assent to the reality of a situation, recognizing a process or condition (usually a negative or unpleasant one) without protesting it or trying to change it

Goes beyond tolerance

When we accept someone, we actively try to get rid of the dislike

In acceptance, we embrace things and show no resistance



Tolerance is
the oil which takes
the friction
out of life