

Solidarity.

Solidarity – human dignity, equality, tolerance and personal participation. Community to which we belong associates with the whole world when it has a hard time. Every year in the name of solidarity an important decisions are taken so these are not just a words. And it is important to realize that. It belongs to the values that person consists of – the person as you are and the person that you will become.

Solidarity within the understandings of ethics is responsibility, hospitality and responsiveness to the pain of others. In our world lives people who knows the rules of ethics, but do we ALL follow them? Are there lot of people who would do everything in the word of solidarity? When does human solidarity really appears and is it far or close to ethics? Here in Latvia are living so many people who have difficultes, but only few people are ready to give them their assistance. We are ready to help and support our friends, relatives, but not always we are ready to help to strangers. Responsibility, solidarity and response to the pain of others – this is ethics, but consider it very minimally. We need to learn and strive to build relationship with other people. What makes the bais of solidarity depends on the type of society we are in. In a more humble society it may be mainly based around relationships and shared values. In more complex societies there are numerous theories that determine the sense of social solidarity.

Sociologist Emile Durkheim separates solidarity into two parts : „mechanical” solidarity and „organic” solidarity. In a society that displays mechanical solidarity, its consistency and combination comes from the similarity of people who feel connected because they do similar things such as work, education, religious training, and just plain lifestyles. Mechanical solidarity usually works in "old-fashioned" and small like societies.

Organic solidarity comes from the interdependence that arises from knowledge of work and the complementarities between people a development which occurs in "modern" and "industrial" societies. Although people implement different tasks and sometimes have different values and curiosities, the order and very solidarity of society depends on their support on each other to complete a specified task. Social solidarity is preserved in more compound societies through the interdependence of its component parts for example, when farmers harvest the food to feed the factory workers that produce the tractors that permits the farmer to produce more food.

It is pretty sad that nowadays there are very few people who really understands the matter of solidarity and who are ready to sacrifice everything including themselves in order to achieve and at least to try to make this world better.

For me solidarity arises in family – small but extremely important society for me and i am ready to face any challenge just to make them happier and decrease pain and sadness as much as i can. I believe that if everybody would start with themselves and just turn off the selfishness then we would live in a better, common and united world. I really do believe! Do you believe?