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These days people often use "Vasudaiva Kutumbakam".

The most common meaning thought is " The world is my family".

Used for immigrants, Rohingyas, and several other political contexts.

I always wondered: Would we allow a terrorist/thief/murderer/rapist into our house in the name of Vasudaiva Kutumbakam?

Digging deeper I found a completely new meaning. Thanks to Shri [@Sampadananda](#) ji!

This popular phrase in Sanskrit is, in fact, the last part of a full verse, meaning 'He is mine and the other is not, this is how a narrow-minded person thinks. For the high-minded one this world is but one family.'

In this verse, a narrow-minded person is self-centred. This is how he always thinks: 'What I do is right and what others do is wrong. My way of thinking and feeling is true and the way others do is false. I am sincere and others are not as sincere as I am.'

Ultimately it means that ME and MYSELF are right, true, sincere, intelligent, and unbeatable. This is narrow-mindedness and the most widespread disease.

On the other hand, one who has grown in consciousness is wide, generous and understanding in mind and heart, and he is called high-minded. Nothing irritates him in life. He respects all, and has a wider worldview.

In a deeper sense, Vasudaiva Kutumbakam refers to the widening of oneself into the vastness of consciousness that permeates everything. When one grows more and more into this vastness of consciousness, one starts becoming free from the sense of mine and my-centredness.

I believe most people are unaware of the meaning of these verses. These words make you evolve into a better being.

Lets understand them and use them wisely.