

Work and Teaching

You must understand that what Sri Aurobindo represents in the world's history, is not a teaching, not even a revelation; it is a *decisive action* direct from the Supreme.

And I am just trying to fulfil that action.

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Criticising a friend's paper on Gandhi I quoted Sri Aurobindo's thoughts on non-violence and some other principles that have become "absolutes" in Gandhism. The friend protested that admiration for Sri Aurobindo should not blind us to other great men: all, according to the friend, have part glimpses of the Truth. I felt it was a mistake to put Sri Aurobindo along with the rest and I want to reply in some detail on this point. But I shall do so only if you approve. And I would be happier if you gave your own answer.

In the effort of humanity to reach the Truth and manifest it, all those who made a discovery, however small it may be, have a place, and Gandhi is one of them.

But the great mistake has always been to oppose these partial discoveries instead of unifying them in a supreme harmony. That is why humanity is still groping in the dark.

Sri Aurobindo has come to reveal that this supreme harmony exists and to show us the way to discover it.

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(About a problem)

One should read Sri Aurobindo and know the answer.

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