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Nelson Mandela  
The Difference One Person Can Make

*“To be free is not merely to cast off one’s chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others” (Nelson Mandela).*

*“I have fought against white domination, and I have fought against black domination. I have cherished the ideal of a democratic and free society in which all persons live together in harmony and with equal opportunities. It is an ideal which I hope to live for and to achieve. But if needs be, it is an ideal for which I am prepared to die” (Nelson Mandela).*

To sacrifice one’s own freedom for the freedom of others was Nelson Mandela’s long journey from a prisoner to a president to a global icon that belongs to the ages. Not only the people of South Africa, but humanity at large, will be inspired by this freedom fighter’s legacy, devoted broadly, kindly, and generously in the service of generations to come.

History has the honor to add another bright chapter to the list of those who have led us by example; a life that was indeed a living and lasting expression of the belief in equality, dignity, and rights as well as responsibilities, for all without discrimination. May the words and deeds of Nelson Mandela echo in our growing collective consciousness, as we continue to strive for peace and justice.

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