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Shortfalls in the Universal Declaration

In the light of the preceding discussion it may be summarized that the shortcomings in the Universal Declaration can be noted as in the following:

First: Separating the socio - legal question from the philosophical one.

Second: Lacking a logical sequence between the preamble and the legal Articles.

Third: Failing to differentiate between the original human dignity and the dignity acquired through piety and good deeds.

Fourth: Failing to cover all related aspects of vital human rights such its man's life, sanctity of the dead, and the question of the annihilation of the foundation of human race.

Fifth: Ignoring the question of morality in settling disputes.

Sixth: Certain issues have been categorized as absolute whereas those should be qualified and restricted, such as the rights of the married couples which are always taken to be equal in all respects o marriage: as also the question of changing one's faith.

Seventh: Not including the rights of the parents and relatives.

Eighth: Not referring to the question of condemning imperialism in all forms.

Ninth: Not mentioning the individual's right to be provided with a moral environment.

Tenth: Granting absolute freedom of expression, which could be destructive.

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