

## **Law and Morality**

There is a marked distinction between law and morality.

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The first point of difference is that laws are enforced by the state

canons of morality are followed at the call of institution

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If one disobeys the commands of law or violates the laws, he is liable to be punished by the state.

If one fails to observe the scruples of morality, he is not liable to be awarded physical punishment.

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Morality is concerned with both internal and external affairs of man

Law is concerned only with the external affairs of man.

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Laws are certain(defined) and universal and they are universally applicable to all citizens

the canons of morality are quite uncertain(undefined).

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There are many things which are not illegal according to law but are unacceptable to morality. **For Example,** telling lies, showing disgrace to others, feeling greedy, being ungrateful and not helping the poor, are not against the spirit of law.