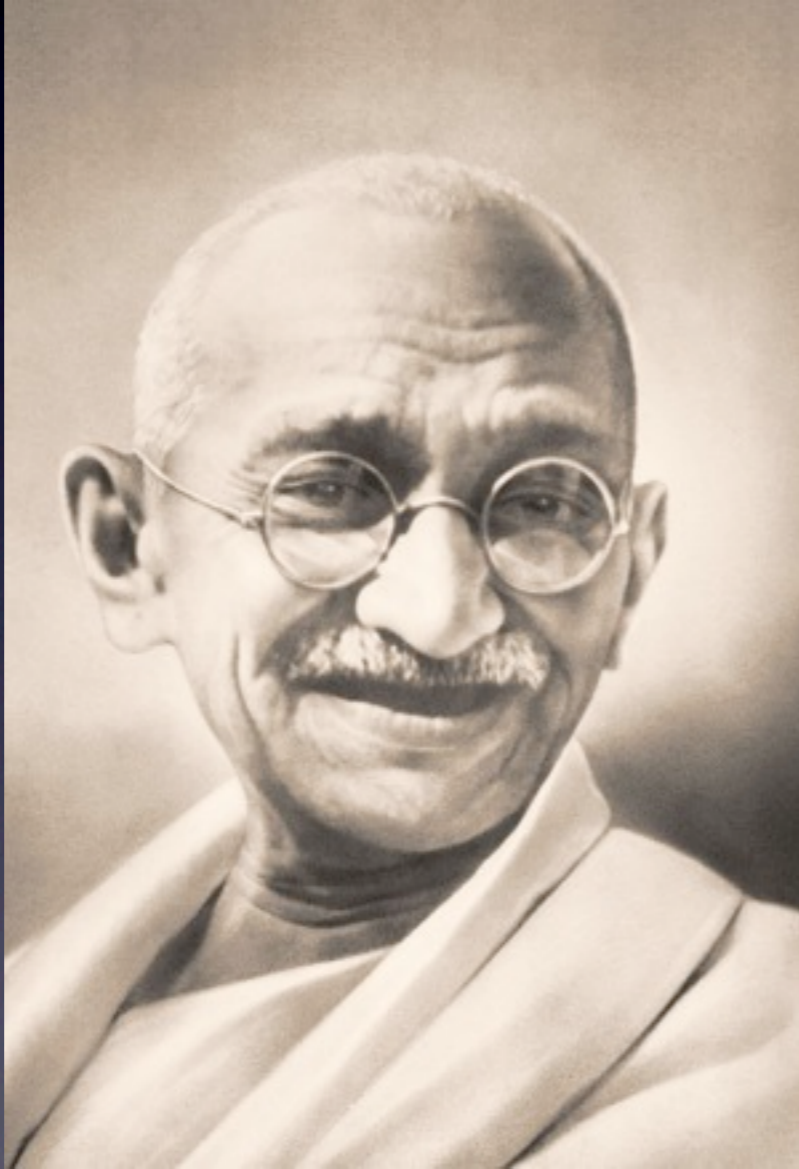




Just a Human Being



Gandhi is known  
for gaining  
independence for  
India, his 200-mile  
salt march, and his  
Satyagraha  
movements

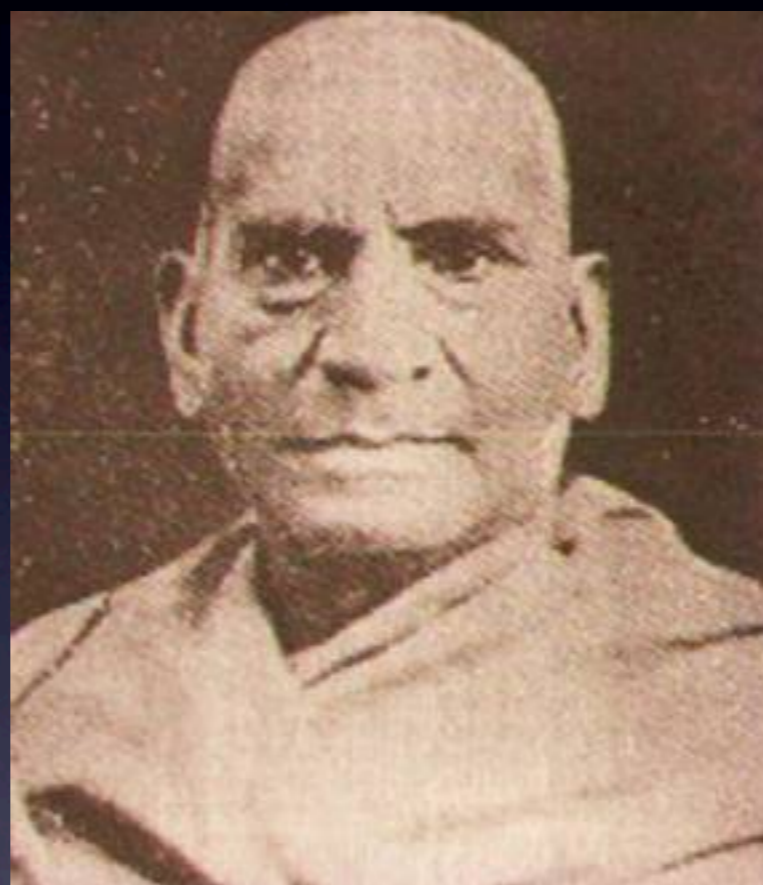
However, what many people ignore or were never taught was that Gandhi was just a normal human being who also made mistakes



Mir Alam led a group of Muslims on an assault against Gandhi. He was brutally beaten. After that day, Gandhi began to appease Muslims and look the other way when they've committed crimes.

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Swami Shraddhananda

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- Muslim woman came up to him seeking a path back to Hinduism
- Muslim woman's husband tried to charge Shraddhanand of kidnapping
- Court was in the Swami's favor. Muslims were furious

# Swami Shraddhanand

- Abdul Rashid assassinated Swami Shraddhanand.
- Gandhi said in speech: “I do not even regard him as guilty of Swami’s murder. Guilty indeed are those who excited feeling of hatred against one another.”
- Obituary: “He lived a hero. He died a hero.”

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–Stabbed him while he was resting

–In essence, he was putting the blame on Shraddhanand. Abdul Rashid is not fault because under ordinary circumstances, he may have not known who the Swami even was. However, he excited feelings of hatred and he is the one to blame, not the murderer.

–Gandhi contradicted himself in his obituary note however. “He lived a hero. He died a hero.” He was putting this image in front of him that he was ashamed of the Swami’s actions, however he held him in high regard in his obituary. This shows that Gandhi was willing to appease the Muslims than standing up against the murder.

# Partition of India





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- Gandhi at first opposed partition
- Later changed stance
- Called for communal riots

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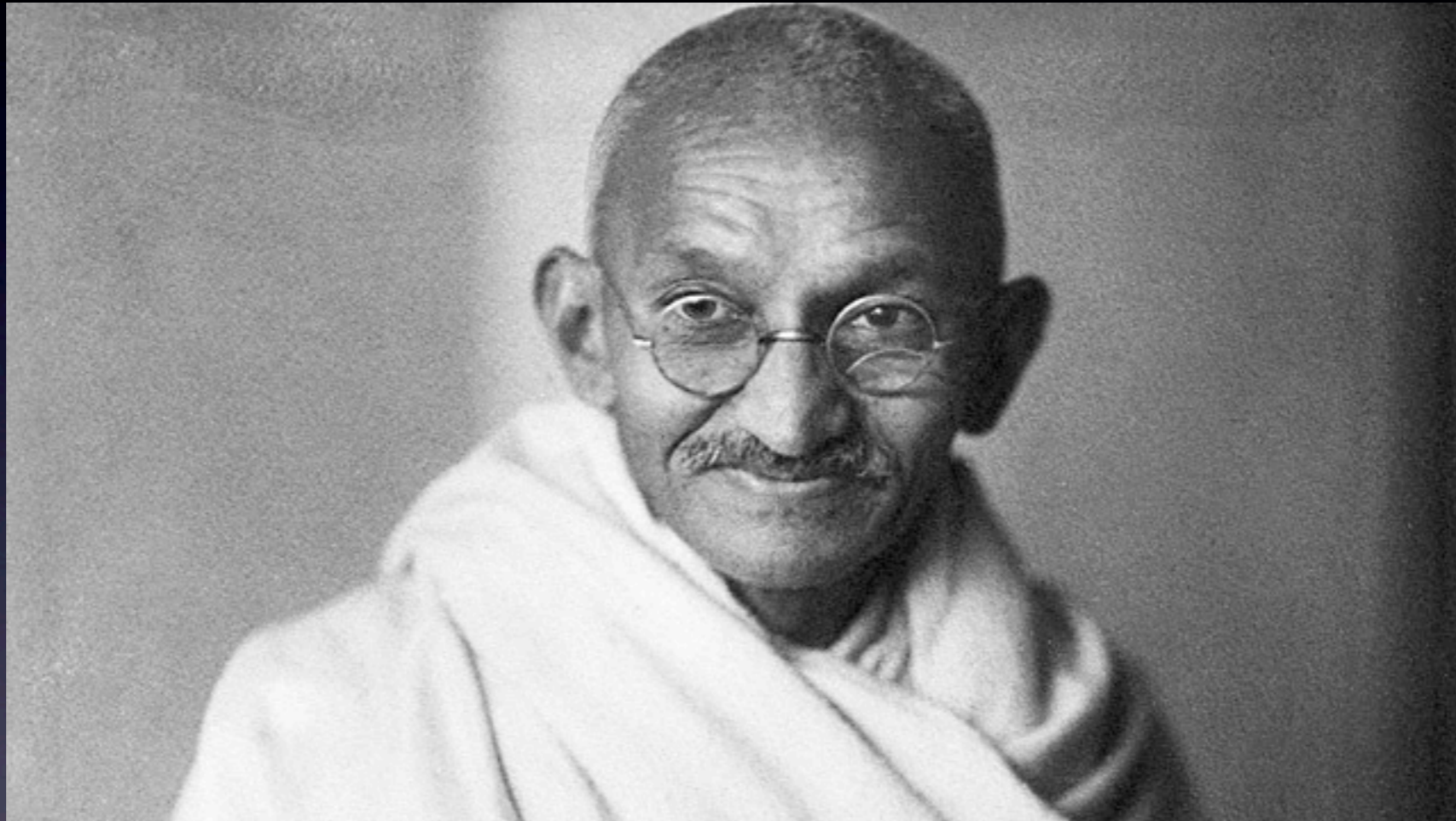
–“Vivisect me, before you vivisect India.”

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- Direct Action Day
- Death Toll: around 7500
- Relations between Pakistan and India struggle

# Partition of India

- Gandhi feared civil war
- Gandhi feared Muslims
- Hard to say if his actions caused more good than harm



“Freedom is not worth having if it does not include the freedom to make mistakes.”