



Peace Poetry

Anyone can forge
A little link of brotherhood,
Or at least understanding.
Some day perhaps
Every boy and girl will have become
at home in a foreign country,
and there could be no more useful step
towards the abolition of war.

Havelock Ellis 1859-1939

Peace, in the sense of absence of war,
Is of little value to someone
Who is dying of hunger or cold.
It will not remove the pain of torture
Inflicted on a prisoner of conscience.
It does not comfort those
Who have lost their loved ones in floods
Caused by senseless deforestation
In a neighbouring country.
Peace can only last
Where human rights are respected,
Where people are fed,
And where individuals and nations
Are free.

The XIVth Dalai Lama

<http://www.wagingpeace.org/menu/issues/peace-&-war/start/peace-quotes/>



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An Instrument of Peace

Lord, make me a channel of your peace:

where there is hatred,

may I bring love;

where there is wrong,

may I bring the spirit of forgiveness,

where there is discord,

may I bring harmony;

where there is error,

may I bring truth;

where there is doubt,

may I bring hope;

where there are shadows,

may I bring light;

where there is sadness,

may I bring joy.

Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort than to be comforted;

rather to understand than to be understood;

rather to love than to be loved,

for it is in forgetting myself that I find:

It is by forgiving that I am forgiven.

Francis of Assisi

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prayer_of_Saint_Francis

I love you my brother, whoever you are-

Whether you worship in a temple, or pray in your mosque.

You and I are all children of one faith, for the diverse paths of religion

Are the fingers of the one loving hand

Of one Supreme Being,

A hand extended to all,

offering completeness of spirit to all,

eager to receive all.

Kahlil Gibran 1882-1931

<http://www.goodreads.com/quotes/show/371681>



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If there is righteousness in the heart,
there will be beauty in the character.

If there is beauty in the character,
there will be harmony in the home.

If there is harmony in the home,
there will be order in the nation.

If there is order in the nation,
there will be peace in the world....

Unknown

A Peace

There is a peace

I know about.

It is in the animals of the forest.

It is in the birds that fill the air.

It is gently blowing in the wind.

It is whispered about among the flowers in the garden.

It dwells with the fish of the ocean.

It is with the animals of deserts and prairies.

But it is not with the people of the world.

Why?

unknown

Anti-war poems

DULCE ET DECORUM EST *Wilfred Owen* <http://www.warpoetry.co.uk/owen1.html>

Anthem for a Doomed Youth *Wilfred Owen* <http://www.warpoetry.co.uk/owen2.html>

The Send Off *Wilfred Owen* http://www.englishverse.com/poems/the_sendoff

Back *Wilfred Gibson* <http://iwvpa.net/gibsonww/back----.php>

How to Die *Siegfried Sassoon* <http://www.poemhunter.com/best-poems/siegfried-sassoon/how-to-die/>