

Peace

Peace is a natural heritage of the soul. Everyone is free to refuse to accept his inheritance, but he is not free to establish what his inheritance is.

T 3 VIII 70:1-2

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Yet peace is stronger than war because it heals. War is division, not increase.

T 5 IV 24:8-9

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Peace is the ego's greatest enemy because, according to its interpretation of reality, war is the guarantee of its survival.

T 5 V 39:7

[War is the ego struggling for survival. -]

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If the Apostles had not felt guilty, they never could have quoted me as saying, "I come not to bring peace but a sword." This is clearly the exact opposite of everything I taught.

T 6 II 20:4-5

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The ego always tries to preserve conflict. It is very ingenious in devising ways which seem to diminish conflict because it does not want you to find conflict so intolerable that you will insist on giving it up.

T 7 IX 84:1-2

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You who are not at war must look for brothers and recognize all whom you see as brothers, because only equals are at peace.

T 7 V 27:6

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...if you want peace, you must give up the idea of conflict entirely and for all time.

T 7 VII 63:4

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Knowledge is not the motivation for learning this course. Peace is. As the prerequisite for knowledge peace must be learned. This is only because those who are in conflict are not peaceful, and peace is the condition of knowledge because it is the condition of the Kingdom.

T 8 I 1:5-8

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Every response to the ego is a call to war, and war does deprive you of peace. Yet in this war there is no opponent. This is the reinterpretation of reality that you must make to secure peace, and the only one you need ever make. Those whom you perceive as opponents are part of your peace, which you are giving up by attacking them.

T 8 I 3:7-10

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Conflict is the root of all evil, for being blind it does not see whom it attacks. Yet it always attacks the Son of God, and the Son of God is you.

T 11 IV 23:7-8

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In peace he [God's Son] needed nothing and asked for nothing. In war he demanded everything and found nothing

T 12 III 21:1-2

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Peace abides in every mind that quietly accepts the plan which God has set for his Atonement, relinquishing his own.

T 13 VIII 76:4

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Peace, looking on itself, extends itself. War is the condition in which fear is born, and grows and seeks to dominate. Peace is the state where love abides, and seeks to share itself. Conflict and peace are opposites.

T 23 II 18:3-6

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The memory of God comes to the quiet mind. It cannot come where there is conflict, for a mind at war against itself remembers not eternal gentleness. The means of war are not the means of peace, and what the warlike would remember is not love.

T 23 II 7:1-3

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There is no safety in a battleground. You can look down on it in safety from above and not be touched. But from within it you can find no safety.

T 23 IV 46:5-7

[God does not give us victory in battle; rather he lifts us above the battle ground. Unknown. -]

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You will yet learn that peace is part of you and requires only that you be there to embrace any situation in which you are. And finally you will learn that there is no limit to where you are, so that your peace is everywhere, as you are.

W 50 R9:3-4

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Defenses are the costliest of all the prices which the ego would extract.

W 153 4:1

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The peace of mind which the advanced teachers of God experience is largely due to their perfect honesty. It is only the wish to deceive that makes for war. No one at one with himself can even conceive of conflict.

M 4 12:1-3

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It is not danger that comes when defenses are laid down. It is safety. It is peace. It is joy. And it is God.

M 4 17:11-15

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[Peace is not gained by wrestling with fear. -]

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[The paths to war lead away from God and his kingdom. - 28 Aug 07]

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[If you labor at peace, you will not find war. If you wage war, you will not find peace. The weapons of war are hate, fear, suspicion and darkness. The darkness of war. The tools of peace are love, forgiveness, trust, light. The lightness of Peace. - 2010]

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[Winning at war does not lead to peace. Winning at peace does not lead to war. - 2010]

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[The ego's game is war, conflict. You cannot win, you cannot have victory over the ego. If you play war games, if you have conflict, already you have lost to the ego's way. God's game is peace. - 2010]

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