

LOST FOR WORD

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Music by Mei-Lan with Ali Pervez Mehadi

In this time we are feeling empty as our brothers, sisters and their children are crying out in agony from the ruins of bombed out homes. Injustice, suffering and pain are where hate takes us.

We may see ourselves as divided and cheer for one side and condemn the other, but deep in our souls we weep for all who are consumed by war. Nations and politics keeps us from moving forward from tribalism to the acceptance that each of us is just a reflection of the other.

We are lost in a matrix constructed by fear, that denies the existence of a power greater than our selves, which is within each of us.

I am unable to express myself to describe the sense of powerlessness that I feel. I provide the following quotes, which express something that maybe my spirit shares with yours.

“Shall we put an end to the human race; or shall mankind renounce war?” – **The Russell-Einstein Manifesto**, 1955

The first peace, which is the most important, is that which comes within the souls of people when they realize their relationship, their oneness with the universe and all its powers, and when they realize that at the center of the universe dwells the Great Spirit, and that this center is really everywhere, it is within each of us. – **Black Elk** (1863-1950)

Mother, mother
There's too many of you crying
Brother, brother, brother
There's far too many of you dying
You know we've got to find a way
To bring some lovin' here today, yeah

Father, father
We don't need to escalate
You see, war is not the answer
For only love can conquer hate
You know we've got to find a way
To bring some lovin' here today

Marvin Gaye: What's Going On

“Peace, in the sense of the 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 neighboring 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**

“There can be no peace if there is social injustice and suppression of human rights, because external and internal peace are inseparable. Peace is not just the absence of mass destruction, but a positive internal and external condition in which people are free so that they can grow to their full potential.” – — **Petra Karin Kelly** (1947-1992)

“Peace is the respect for the rights of others.” (El respeto al derecho ajeno es la paz). – **Benito Juarez** (1806-1872)

“I simply want to live; to cause no evil to anyone but myself.” – **Leo Tolstoy**,
War and Peace

With love, from Love, to Love, for Love is all we are.