

**WOLMI
INTERNATIONAL
PEACE DAY**

**ACT NOW
FOR A
PEACEFUL
WORLD**



WOLMI International Peace Day Devotional

Theme: “Act Now for a Peaceful World”

Scripture: *“If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.”* Romans 12:18 (KJV)

Peace Devotional

Every generation has faced its own call to action. Today, our call is clear: *Act now for a peaceful world.* Peace cannot wait for tomorrow; it cannot be left for another decade or deferred to another leader. Peace begins with what we choose to do today.

When we look around, we see a world in turmoil—nations at war, families in conflict, communities divided, hearts heavy with fear and anxiety. The cries for justice, safety, and stability rise louder with each passing day. Yet, God has given His people a mandate: not just to talk about peace, but to *live it, pursue it, and spread it.*

Romans 12:18 tells us, *“If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.”* Notice the phrase: *“as much as lieth in you.”* Peace is not only the responsibility of governments, institutions, or organizations—it is the personal responsibility of every believer. As much as it depends on us, we must choose peace in our relationships, in our communities, and in our nations.

1. The Urgency of Now

Peace is urgent. Delay only gives room for division to deepen and conflict to intensify. Jesus reminds us in Matthew 5:9, *“Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.”* To be a peacemaker requires present action, not future intentions.

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We cannot say, “One day I will forgive,” or “Someday I will reconcile.” If we want a peaceful world, we must *act now*. Forgiveness must be extended today. Bridges must be built today. Compassion must be shown today. Tomorrow is not promised, but today is in our hands.

2. Peace Begins with the Heart

The seed of peace is first planted in the soil of the heart. An angry, bitter, or fearful heart cannot produce peace. That is why Jesus said in John 14:27, *“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”*

The peace Jesus offers is not dependent on circumstances but rooted in His presence. When His peace rules in our hearts, we become agents of peace in the world. A peaceful heart produces peaceful actions. If the world is to change, we must first allow Christ to calm the storms within us.

Ask yourself today: What attitudes, hurts, or fears must I release so that the peace of Christ can flow freely through me? Acting now for a peaceful world begins with surrendering our hearts to the Prince of Peace.

3. Peace in Relationships

Peace is not abstract; it is practical. It shows up in how we treat others. It is seen in how we resolve conflict, how we choose words, and how we extend grace.

The Apostle Paul reminds us that, *“Love suffereth long, and is kind; love envieth not... doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil”* (1 Corinthians 13:4–5 KJV). Living peaceably

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with all men means we refuse to let pride, jealousy, or offense dictate our actions.

Acting now for a peaceful world means calling that family member to reconcile, choosing to speak kindness instead of gossip, and showing respect even to those who oppose us. Peace in the home becomes peace in the community, and peace in the community becomes peace in the nation.

4. Peace in Nations

On this International Peace Day, we cannot ignore the cries of nations at war. The headlines remind us of displaced families, children caught in violence, and communities torn apart by political unrest. The mission of WOLMI compels us to act, pray, and advocate for peace on a global scale.

But how do we act now for a peaceful world when the problems seem so vast? We begin with prayer. Scripture tells us in 1 Timothy 2:1–2, *“I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty.”*

Prayer is action. Intercession shifts nations. Declarations release God’s order into the earth. When believers unite in prayer, Heaven responds, and peace is made possible. But beyond prayer, we also act with compassion—supporting relief efforts, advocating for justice, and building bridges across cultures and communities.

5. Guarding Peace in a Troubled World

The enemy of peace is not only war but also distraction, fear, and division. That is why Philippians 4:6–7 gives us the key: *“Be careful for*

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nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

Peace must be guarded. Just as soldiers defend a nation's borders, believers must guard their hearts with prayer, gratitude, and focus on God's promises. When His peace rules within us, it radiates outward, shaping the world around us.

6. The Legacy of Peace

When we act now for peace, we are building a legacy. Our children and grandchildren will inherit the choices we make today. Will they inherit a world marked by hostility and division, or will they inherit one marked by reconciliation and hope?

Psalm 34:14 gives us a charge: *"Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it."* Seeking peace is not passive—it requires pursuit. Acting now means running after peace as if our very future depends on it, because it does.

Prayer

Father, I thank You because I know You hear me. Let Your will be done.

Prince of Peace, reign in my heart today. Help me to act now, not later, to be a vessel of peace in every sphere of my life. Teach me to forgive quickly, to reconcile humbly, and to love deeply.

Let my words bring healing and my actions sow unity. I lift up nations torn by war—may Your peace sweep through governments, leaders, and communities.

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May I never delay in living out Your peace, but may I respond to the urgency of this moment with bold faith and compassionate action. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Reflection Questions

1. Where in your personal life do you need to act now to bring peace?
2. What step of reconciliation can you take today with someone in your circle?
3. How can you pray and act for peace in your community and in the nations?

Final Thought

Peace will not come by accident—it comes by action. To act now for a peaceful world is to recognize that peace begins with me, flows through me, and extends to the nations. May we not postpone what Heaven is calling us to do today. Let us act now, for a peaceful world depends on it