

“A Prayer of Faith and Hope in a Time of Fear”

Based on reflections of Reverend Martin Luther King, Jr. ¹

In Times of fear amid the reality of war, we pray that One Day Justice will roll down like Water, and Righteousness like a Mighty Stream!
(AMOS 5:24) ²

We pray that all our elected officials will do Justly and love Mercy and walk Humbly with their GOD! (MICAHA 6:8) ³

We pray that One Day war will come to an end, that men will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks, that nations will no longer rise up against nations, neither will they study war any more! (MICAHA 4:3) ⁴

We pray that One Day the lamb and the lion will lie down together (ISAIAH 11:6) ⁵ and everyone will sit under their own vine and fig tree and none shall be afraid! (MICAHA 4:4) ⁶

We pray that One Day every valley shall be exalted and every mountain and hill will be made low, the rough places will be made smooth and the crooked places straight, and The Glory of The Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see It together! (ISAIAH 40:4-5) ⁷

We pray that with This Faith we will be able to adjourn the councils of despair and bring New Light into the dark chambers of pessimism! (MATTHEW 5:16) ⁸

We pray that with This Faith we will be able to speed up The Day when there will be Peace on earth and Good Will toward all! (LUKE 2:14) ⁹

We pray for That Glorious Day, when the Morning Stars will sing together, and The Children of GOD will shout for Joy! (JOB 38:7) ¹⁰
AMEN.

¹ "A Prayer of Faith and Hope in a Time of Fear." Education for Justice. Based on Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "Reflections on Micah." Education for Justice. Retrieved 11/03/2012.

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² NIV, AMOS 5:24 - But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!

³ NIV, MICAHA 6:8 - He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you?

To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly^[a] with your God.

⁴ NIV, MICAHA 4:3 - He will judge between many peoples and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide. They will beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war anymore.

⁵ NIV, ISAIAH 11:6 - The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling^[a] together; and a little child will lead them.

⁶ NIV, MICAHA 4:4 - Everyone will sit under their own vine and under their own fig tree, and no one will make them afraid, for the LORD Almighty has spoken.

⁷ NIV, ISAIAH 40:4-5 - Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken

⁸ NIV, MATTHEW 5:16 - In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

⁹ NIV, LUKE 2:14 - Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.

¹⁰ NIV, JOB 38:7 - When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy.

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