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PEACE — Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality, Stewardship

“We are a people that follow after those things that make for peace, love, and unity; it is our desire that others' feet may walk in the same, and do deny and bear our testimony against all strife, and wars, and contentions that come from the lusts that war in the members, that war against the soul, which we wait for and watch for in all people, and love and desire the good of all.”

~A declaration from the harmless and innocent people of God, called Quakers London 1660

"Whether in times of war or times of peace the Quaker is under peculiar obligation to assist and to forward movements and forces which make for peace in the world and which bind men together in ties of unity and fellowship." ~ Rufus Jones

“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.” ~Attributed to Jesus in John 14:27

"In any case, fighting will not settle whether the claims were just or unjust. It will only settle which nation can mobilize and handle its fighting forces and its economic forces the better."

~ Rufus Jones

O brother man! fold to thy heart thy brother;
Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there;
To worship rightly is to love each other,
Each smile a hymn, each kindly deed a prayer.

~ John Greenleaf Whittier

“Peace is a gift, but it does not come magically through our passivity. Only in our faithful response to God’s call do we receive God’s peace “ ~ Sandra Cronk

- What speaks to you from these quotes?
- What are the most challenging elements of you living a Peace Testimony/
- How can you implement more Peace in your life?