

# WORLD PEACE

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## PEACE IN THE ANIMAL KINGDOM

- only in the Garden of Eden and the Millennium (Isa 11:6-9)

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## MILLENNIAL PEACE

- worldwide peace will exist in the Kingdom (Isa 9:6-7; Zech 9:10d-f)
- follows the Battle of Armageddon (Joel 3:9-10; Ezk 38-39; Rev 19:11-21)
- Jesus, the Prince of Peace, will rule (Isa 9:6)
- worldwide disarmament (Isa 2:4c=Micah 4:3c-d; 5:9; Zech 9:10a-c)
- no military training or war colleges (Isa 2:4e=Micah 4:3f; cf. Josh 3:1-2; 2 Sam 22:35)
  - no wars (Isa 2:4d=Micah 4:3e)
  - no fear of invasion (Micah 4:4)
  - no walled cities (Micah 5:10)

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## NO PEACE NOW

- wars will continue in spite of peace efforts during the Church Age (Dan 9:26)
- wars will take place during the first half of the Tribulation (Matt 24:6-7; Mk 13:7-8; Lk 21:9)
- more wars and the Battle of Armageddon will take place at the end of the Great Tribulation (Rev 19:11-21)



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## PRINCIPLES OF PEACE NOW

- peace is based on military superiority (Josh 11:23; 14:15; 1 Sam 7:13-14; 2 Sam 10:17-19)
- don't listen to false prophets of peace (Jer 6:14)
- desolations from war are determined (חָסַד 'to decide') by God (Dan 9:26)

[God decides the length of a person's life in Job 14:5 and righteous national discipline in Isa 10:22-23]

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## STATISTICS

- 40 wars around the world today because of sin, demons, and Satan
- 268 years of peace in the last 4000 years (Society of International Law in London)
- 8000 peace treaties in 4000 years (Society of International Law in London)
- 14,531 wars since 3600 B.C. killing 3.64 trillion people—17 times the population of the US (Norwegian Academy of Sciences)
- money spent by US in WWII would sustain 1.5 million missionaries in the field for 100 years
- Micah 4:3 is engraved on the headquarters of the United Nations in NYC
- defense versus domestic spending: turning swords into plowshares helps the economy; turning plowshares into swords hurts the economy