

Peace Prayers



In his Sermon on the Mount, in Matthew 5 v 9 Jesus said :

“They are blessed who work for peace, for they will be called God’s children.”

We can pray for peace in our communities, nations and world.



The 21st of September is “World Peace Day” countries around the world are encouraged to stop any fighting or conflict for 24 hours.



Romans 12 v 18

Do your best to live in peace with everyone.

Here are some of the different groups of people you might choose to pray for using some of these activities and ideas.

World Leaders

Families in warzones

Soldiers

Refugees

Medical Staff

Police and Firefighters

Journalists in warzones

Charities providing aid

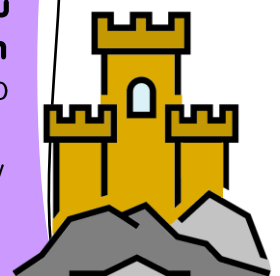
Which countries or places are in the news this week because of conflict, war or disagreement?

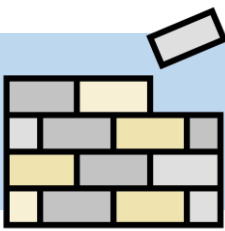
Why not pray for those countries and then write your own headlines or news stories about the change you want to see in those places.

What would they look like if God’s peace filled their hearts and lives?



Just as Jesus did in Matthew 6 v 10 we can pray **“May your kingdom come and what you want be done, here on earth as it is in heaven.”** Ask God to give you a picture of what the earth would be like if everybody in it knew and loved Him.





Build a peace wall

The Bible describes God as **“Jehovah Shalom”** the Lord our peace. Although we translate the Hebrew word Shalom as ‘peace’ it has a much more complex meaning. It is wholeness, a complete absence of conflict, a total restoration.

Collect some stones or use items from around your home to build a peace wall together.

What might God be saying to you as you build the wall? What might God want you to pray for.

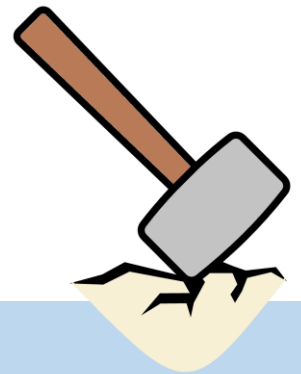
A solid wall needs firm foundations – what foundations do you think we need to peace in our world?

Where are the gaps or spaces in your wall? How might God want you to pray for wholeness or restoration in the world?

Who are those working in the world to build peace? What blessings can we pray over them?

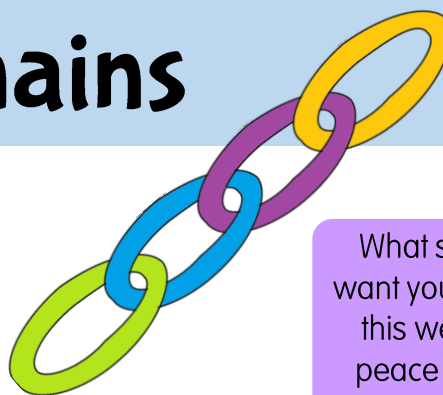
Walls are often used to create barriers or division, when you have finished building destroy your wall together.

Pray for an end to division between countries or peoples and the destruction of any barriers to peace.



Peace Chains

We can be carriers of God’s peace in the world, knowing that God is with us wherever we go and is bigger than any challenges we face.



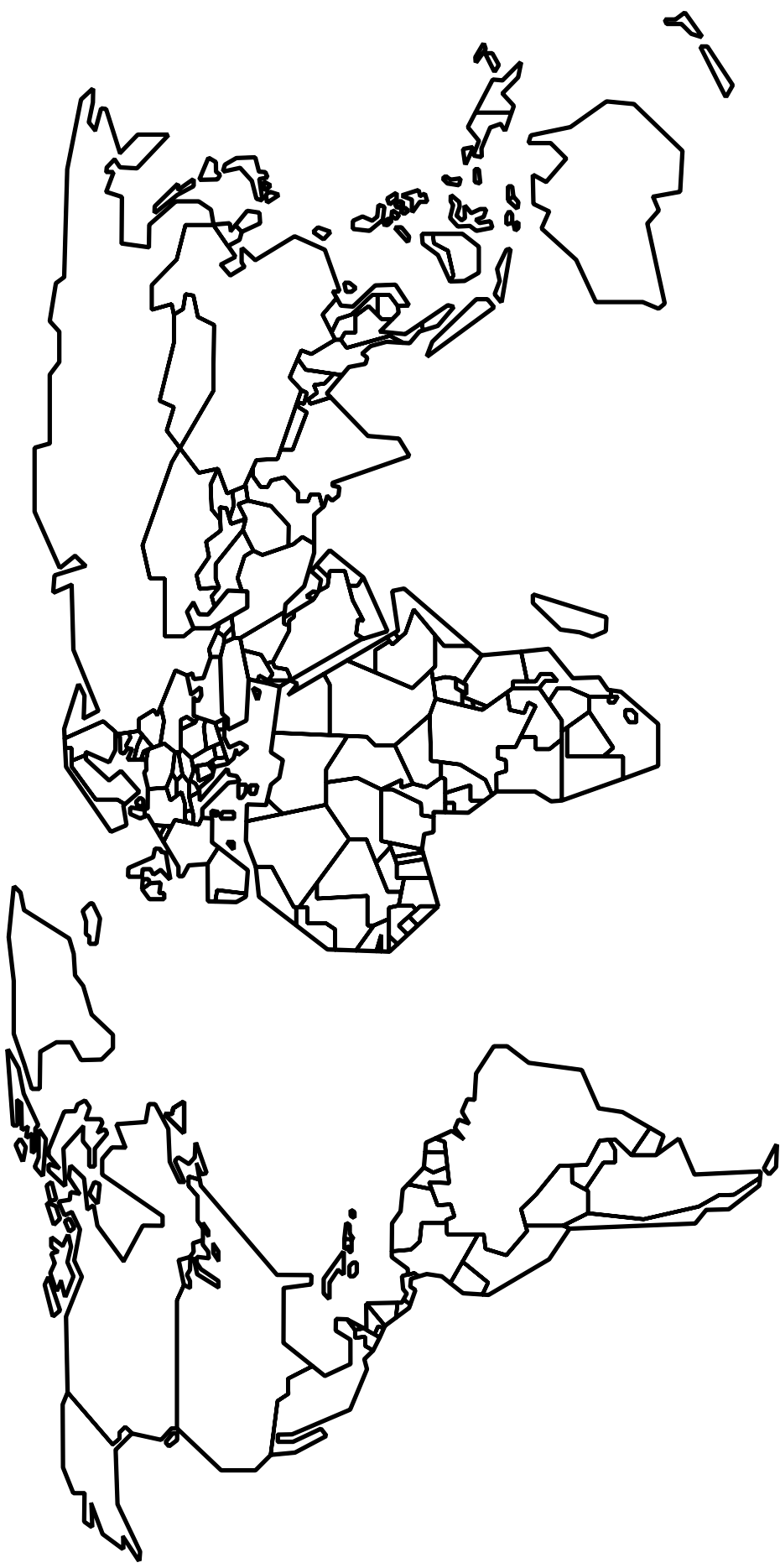
What seeds of peace does God want you to sow in your community this week? Can you carry God’s peace at your school, church or after school clubs?

Cut strips of paper and make a peace paper chain. On each link write the name of somebody you are connected to. Pray and ask God to fill them with His peace as you connect with them.

John 16 v 33

“I told you these things so that you can have peace in me. In this world you will have trouble, but be brave! I have defeated the world.”

Colour and Pray World Map



So let us try to do what makes peace and helps one another.

Romans 14 v 19