

# **Finding Peace**

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There is too much fighting in the world right now. Some fighting is conveyed with war, some is brought out by politicians fighting for power. Some fighting is by people being stubborn and not being open to ideas. Some is caused by not accepting differences of others. Stopping this fighting begins with us. In order to find peace, we need to be friendly to other people, be open to new ideas, and accept people for who they are.

The first step to establishing peace is being friendly to other people. If we spread love and friendliness throughout the world, others will feel confident in themselves and feel respected. When people realize that they are liked, then they want to spread friendliness to others. Most of all, people should spread this friendliness because everyone is special in their own way. This will help people be happy with who they are.

The next step is to be open to new ideas. Many wars and fights have started because two groups believed different things were right, and wanted to prove that to the other. We should be open to different ways to see the world. If we accept new ideas, there will be more possible solutions to the problems in the world. We can start just by listening to each other.

The final step of peace is accepting others' differences. By accepting differences, we can get to know people that we could never know if we judged them by how they looked or acted. If we don't judge others for being different from us, then we would have the ability to treat everyone on the face of the Earth as humans. We could get to know other cultures around the world. We could understand others' existence in the world. But most importantly, we can coexist with every human, no matter how different.

By showing friendliness to all, being open to new and different ideas, and accepting that none of us are the same, we can take a huge step forward to making a better place for all people. Not just for us, but for everyone to have an equal happiness with their time on this planet. And someday we can finally celebrate the day when the earth is at peace.