RS Revision: Quotes for the Religion, Peace and Conflict Unit

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'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.' (Matthew 5:9 NRSV)

'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.' (John 14:27 NRSV)

'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.' (Matthew 10:34 NRSV)

'Justice, and only justice, you shall pursue, so that you may live and occupy the land that the Lord your God is giving you.' (Deuteronomy 16:20 NRSV)

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'Go and learn what this means, "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.' (Matthew 9:13 NRSV)

'Then Peter came and said to him, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times." (Matthew 18:21-22 NRSV)

'For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you; but if you do not forgive others, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.' (Matthew 6:14-15 NRSV)

For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life.' (Romans 5:10 NRSV)

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'So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.' (Matthew 5:23-24 NRSV)

'Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.' (Matthew 5:44 NRSV)

'Fight in the cause of Allah those who fight you, but do not transgress limits; for Allah loveth not transgressors.' (Qur'an 2:190)

'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' (Matthew 22:39 NRSV)

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'And [Jesus] said to them, "Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." (Luke 12:15 NRSV)

'... if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn the other also ... ' (Matthew 5:39 NRSV)

'You have heard that it was said, "An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." But I say to you, Do not resist an evildoer.' (Matthew 5:38-39 NRSV)

'... but Jesus said to him, "Judas, is it with a kiss that you are betraying the Son of Man?" When those who were around him saw what was coming, they asked, "Lord, should we strike with the sword?" Then one of them struck the slave of the high priest and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said, "No more of this!" And he touched his ear and healed him.' (Luke 22:48-51 NRSV)

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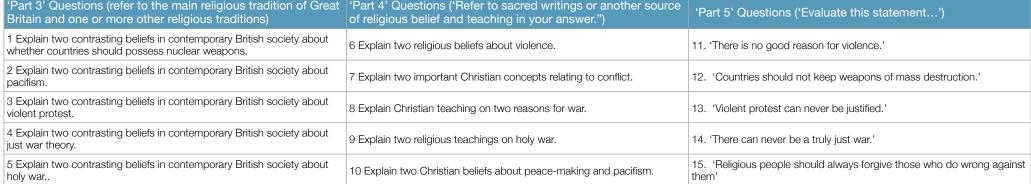
let there be no hostility except to those who practise oppression.' (Qur'an 2:193)

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(Part 5' Questions ('Evaluations)



'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' (Matthew 25:40 NRSV) (From the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats)

'Those who believe, and do deeds of righteousness, and establish regular prayers and regular charity, will have their reward with their Lord: on them shall be no fear, nor shall they grieve.' (Qur'an 2:277)

"He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war any more." (Isaiah 2:4)

"For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs." (1 Timothy 6:10)

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