

Books on Peace – *list 1*

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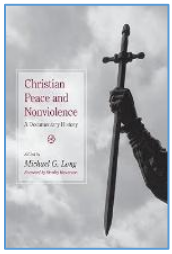
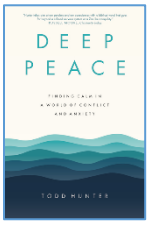
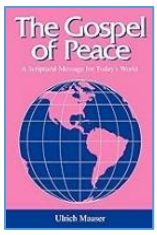


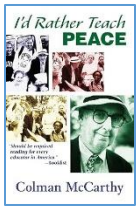
CHRISTIAN PEACE AND NONVIOLENCE: A DOCUMENTARY HISTORY (817017) Author: Long, Michael, editor. A comprehensive survey of two thousand years of Christian voices for peace: Scriptures of peace; Early Christian voices; Medieval voices; Late scholastic period and the Reformation; Modern period; Early Twentieth Century (1900-1949); Mid-Twentieth Century (1950-1974); Late Twentieth Century (1975-2000); Twenty-first Century. Includes index. Age: Adult 348 Pages.



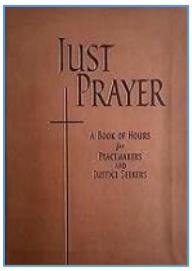
DEEP PEACE: FINDING CALM IN A WORLD OF CONFLICT AND ANXIETY (821104) Author: Hunter, Todd. In this book, Todd Hunter analyzes the anxiety and desperation of our current moment and leads readers to receive the peace of Jesus and experience the deep wholeness that comes from the peace of God. He articulates a biblical framework for peace and provides practices to help Christians value and seek peace, becoming people of peace in ordinary life. He reveals the heart issues from which these problems arise and introduces spiritual practices for becoming different sorts of people and different kinds of communities. Chapters: Peace killers – fear, anger, aggression, attachments; Peace killers – pain, unanswered prayer, self-centeredness; Peace killers – life online, obsession with failure, fear of missing out; The God of peace; The peace of God's Kingdom; Choosing peace with God; An apprentice to Jesus in peace; The Jesus of justice, mercy, and humility; The Spirit of peace; The Spirit of the Lord's favor; Cultivating a mellow heart; Why so anxious, O my soul?; Peace for an anxious mind; Rejecting fear-based hostility; Loving the other; Pursuing peace with others; Welcoming peace; Peace building – Sabbath and poverty of spirit; Peace in social relations; Peace in trials and temptations; Conclusion. Includes questions for reflection or discussion. Age: Adult 261 Pages.



GOSPEL OF PEACE (861112) Author: Mauser, Ulrich. A Scriptural Message for Today's World. Intersperses the New Testament experience of peace with elements of the Old Testament idea of shalom, including the wars of Yahweh. Titles: A time for peace, Biblical words of peace, The peacemaker, The opposition to peace in the Gospel of Matthew, The book of Acts and the Pax Romana, Peace in the letters of Paul, Universal and global peace--Colossians and Ephesians, Peace in the New Testament and peace today. Age: Adult 196 Pages



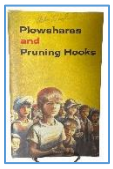
I'D RATHER TEACH PEACE (803030) Author: McCarthy, Colman. The story of one man's passion for peace education, as seen during one semester in six schools where risk-taking students found themselves challenged and inspired by an unconventional course and a man who believes that if we don't reach our children peace someone else will teach them violence. Age: Adult 140 Pages.



JUST PRAYER: A BOOK OF HOURS FOR PEACEMAKERS AND JUSTICE SEEKERS (818144) Author: Benders, Alison. Four weeks of daily morning and evening prayers on the following themes: Justice Ordained/Recognizing God's command to live justly; Injustice Lamented/Standing with those who suffer injustice; Justice Practiced/Claiming our responsibility to establish justice; Justice Celebrated/Celebrating God's justice and the promise of peace. Includes bibliography. Age: Adult. 190 Pages.



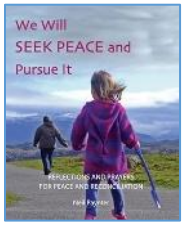
MENDING THE DIVIDES: CREATIVE LOVE IN A CONFLICTED WORLD (818007) Author: Huckins, Jon and Swigart, Jer. Conflict, hatred, and injustice seem to be the norm rather than the exception in our world, our nation, our communities, our homes. The fractures and fissures run so deep that we're paralyzed by our hopelessness, writing off peace as a far-fetched option for the afterlife. Authors Jon Huckins and Jer Swigart invite us to move toward conflict and brokenness, but not simply for the sake of resolving tensions and ending wars. These modern-day peacemakers help us understand that because peacemaking is the mission of God, it should also be the vocation of his people. So peace is no longer understood as merely the absence of conflict -- peace is when relationships once severed have been repaired and restored. Using biblical and current-day illustrations of everyday peacemakers, this book equips disciples of Jesus to move toward conflict and seek the restoration of our relationships, our communities, and our world, offering practical steps to engage in the kingdom-building work of waging peace. Chapters: Confused, divided, and paralyzed; Speaking of peace; The divine pattern; Everyday conflict, everyday peacemaking; See; Immerse; Content; Restore; Time to begin. Age: Adult 177 Pages.



PLOWSHARES AND PRUNING HOOKS (819021) Author: various. Published in 1954 and designed for group discussion, this book was published by The Crusade for World Order, led by The Council of Bishops of The Methodist Church, in cooperation with The Commission on Promotion and Cultivation. Introduction by G. Bromley Oxnam; 'The meaning of peace' by Ralph W Sockman; 'The United Nations' by O. Frederick Nolde; 'Disarmament' by Walter W. Van Kirk. Age: Adult 94 Pages.



SPEAK YOUR PEACE: WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT LOVING OUR ENEMIES (820067) Author: Sider, Ronald J. Chapters: The central questions; The setting for Jesus' radical teaching; Living in Jesus' dawning kingdom; Further claims of Jesus and how Christians evade them; Does the rest of the New Testament reflect what Jesus taught?; But what about . . . ?; Jesus and killing in the Old Testament; Foundational theological issues; Problems with pacifism; Problems with just war thinking; What if most (or all) Christians became pacifists?; Nonviolence and the atonement; Christians and killing in church history; If Jesus is Lord. Includes discussion questions. Age: Adult 197 Pages.



WE WILL SEEK PEACE AND PURSUE IT (817040) Author: Paynter, Neil. A book of readings, reflections, and prayers about 'the bombs and bullets and landmines we drop into the heart of other people's lives' -- and the many good folk working for peace and reconciliation at home and abroad. It can be used for personal and group reflection or in worship. Resource from the Iona Community. Age: Adult 204 Pages.