

A gift of peace
w/b 14th January 2019
Pope Francis has a
message for you!

“Peace be to this house!”

In sending his disciples forth on mission, Jesus told them: “Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace be to this house!’ And if a son of peace is there, your peace shall rest upon him; but if not, it shall return to you” (*Luke* 10:5-6).

Bringing peace is central to the mission of Christ’s disciples. That peace is offered to all those men and women who long for peace amid the tragedies and violence that mark human history.^[1] The “house” of which Jesus speaks is every family, community, country and continent, in all their diversity and history.

It is also our “common home”: the world in which God has placed us and which we are called to care for and cultivate. So let this be my greeting at the beginning of the New Year: “Peace be to this house!” Pope Francis
New Year Message

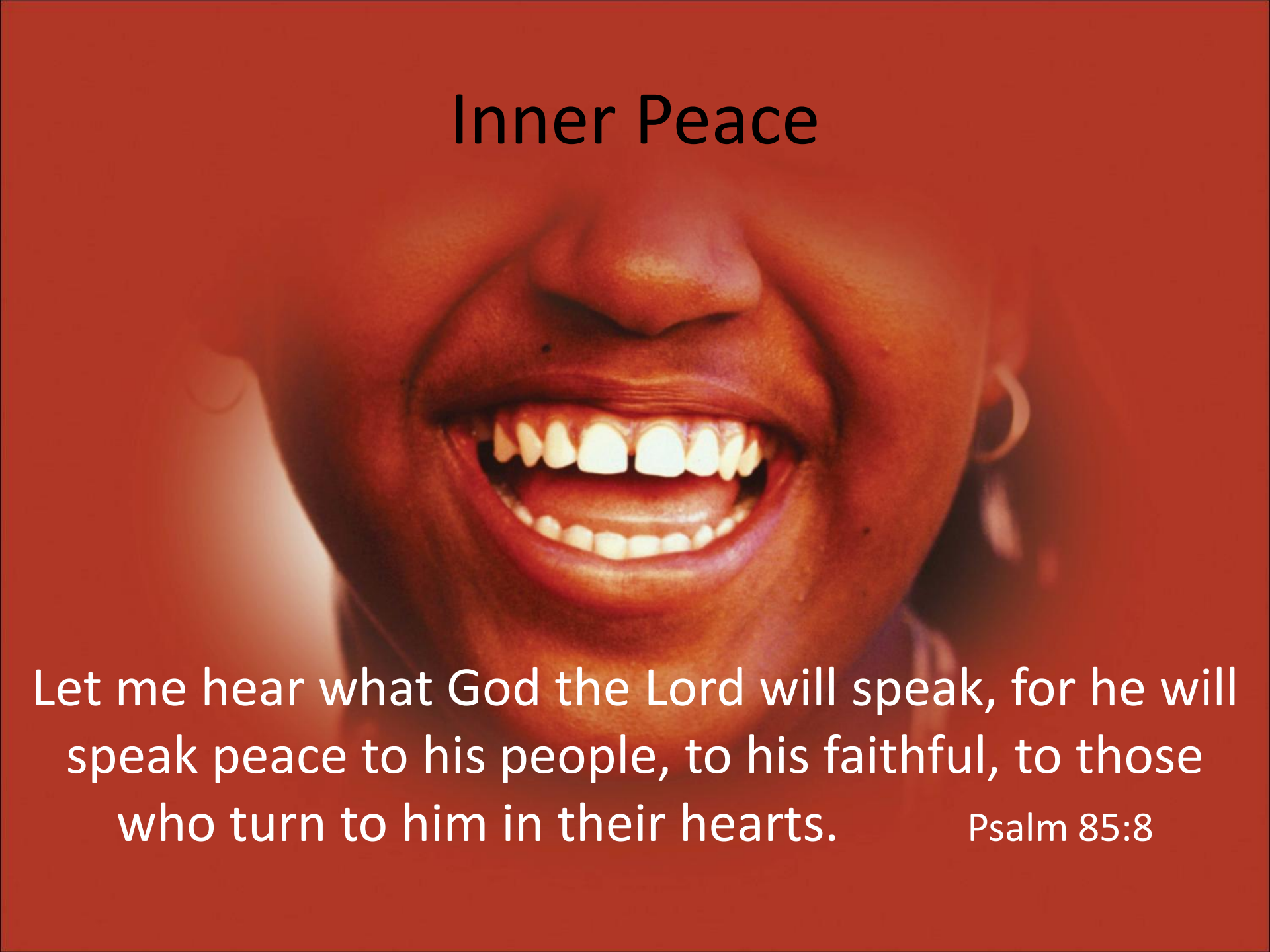
Inner Peace



A smile is the beginning of peace.

Mother Theresa (1910-1997)

Inner Peace



Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will
speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those
who turn to him in their hearts.

Psalms 85:8

**First keep peace with yourself, then you
can also bring peace to others.**

Thomas a Kempis (1380-1471)

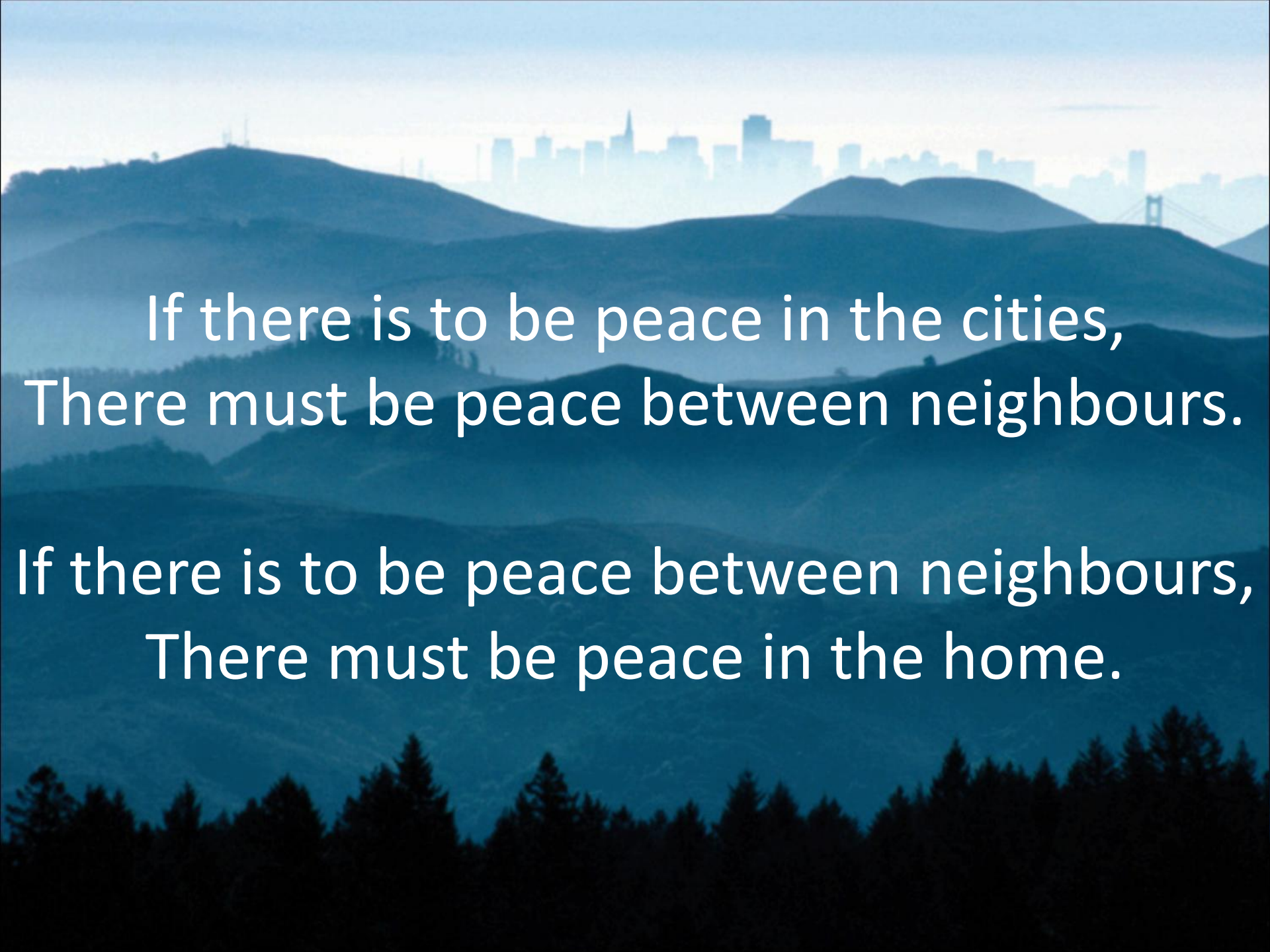
**Go placidly amid the noise and the haste,
and remember what peace there may be
in silence.**

From *Desiderata* Max Ehrmann (1872-1945)

The background image is a monochromatic blue-toned photograph. It depicts a series of rolling hills or mountains in the foreground and middle ground. In the far distance, a city skyline is visible, with several tall buildings. To the right of the skyline, a suspension bridge, resembling the Golden Gate Bridge, is partially visible. The overall atmosphere is serene and contemplative.

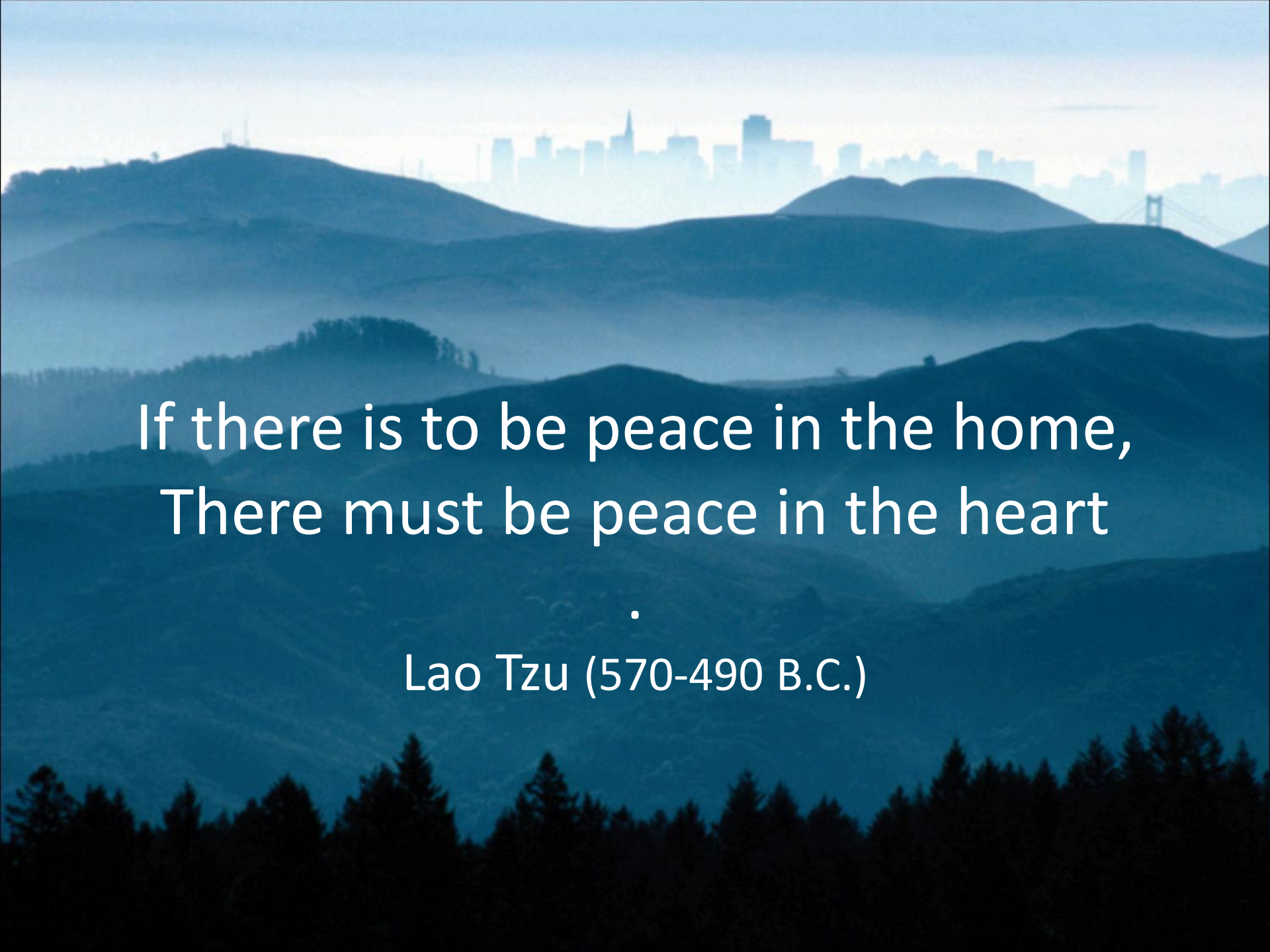
If there is to be peace in the world,
There must be peace in the nations.

If there is to be peace in the nations,
There must be peace in the cities.



If there is to be peace in the cities,
There must be peace between neighbours.

If there is to be peace between neighbours,
There must be peace in the home.



If there is to be peace in the home,
There must be peace in the heart

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Lao Tzu (570-490 B.C.)

I do not want the peace which passes understanding, I want the understanding which brings peace. Helen Keller (1880-1968)

Peace is not merely a distant goal that we seek, but a means by which we arrive at that goal.

Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968)

If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other.

Mother Theresa (1910-1997)



Peace may sound simple - one beautiful word - but it requires everything we have, every quality, every strength, every dream, every high ideal.

Yehudi Menuhin (1916-1999)

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart

St. Francis of Assisi

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

Deep peace of the running wave to you
Deep peace of the flowing air to you
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you
Deep peace of the shining stars to you
Deep peace of the gentle night to you
Moon and stars pour their healing light on
you
Deep peace of Christ, of Christ, the light of
the world to you
Deep peace of Christ to you.

Traditional Celtic blessing

Time for reflection- listen to this beautiful song- join in if you would like to as a prayer for peace.



Peace Perfect Peace Is The Gift Of Christ Song Lyrics Video.mp4