

International Day of Peace

The thoughts of amity
(for International Day of Peace on 21 September)

Wars often arise out of flawed reasons
But, unaccounted for is the destruction,
The devastation of 'life-giving nature'
The pollution of entire 'atmosphere';
Who counters the ruthless forces of ruin?
And, who accounts for all these invasions?

The fury unleashed may douse the anger
But, who's there to think of mundane future?
Whoever be it, innocent or the offender
Lives shatter like bubbles afloat in thin air.
While people thirst for love and concern
Merciless, the perpetrators hunt them down.

The trauma of victims who run horrified,
The agony of the dear ones, who lay dead,
What's the crime of the innocent children?
What's their fault to get killed without reason?
Though the doors of peace are wide open
Ego-bent war-mongers ignore the option.

For the self-centered cultivators of animosity
Who vie to demonstrate power and superiority;
Cannot the delights of peace bring-in a change?
And uproot from them the sprouts of revenge?
To restore universal peace, let's pray Almighty
To implant in every heart, the thoughts of amity.

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