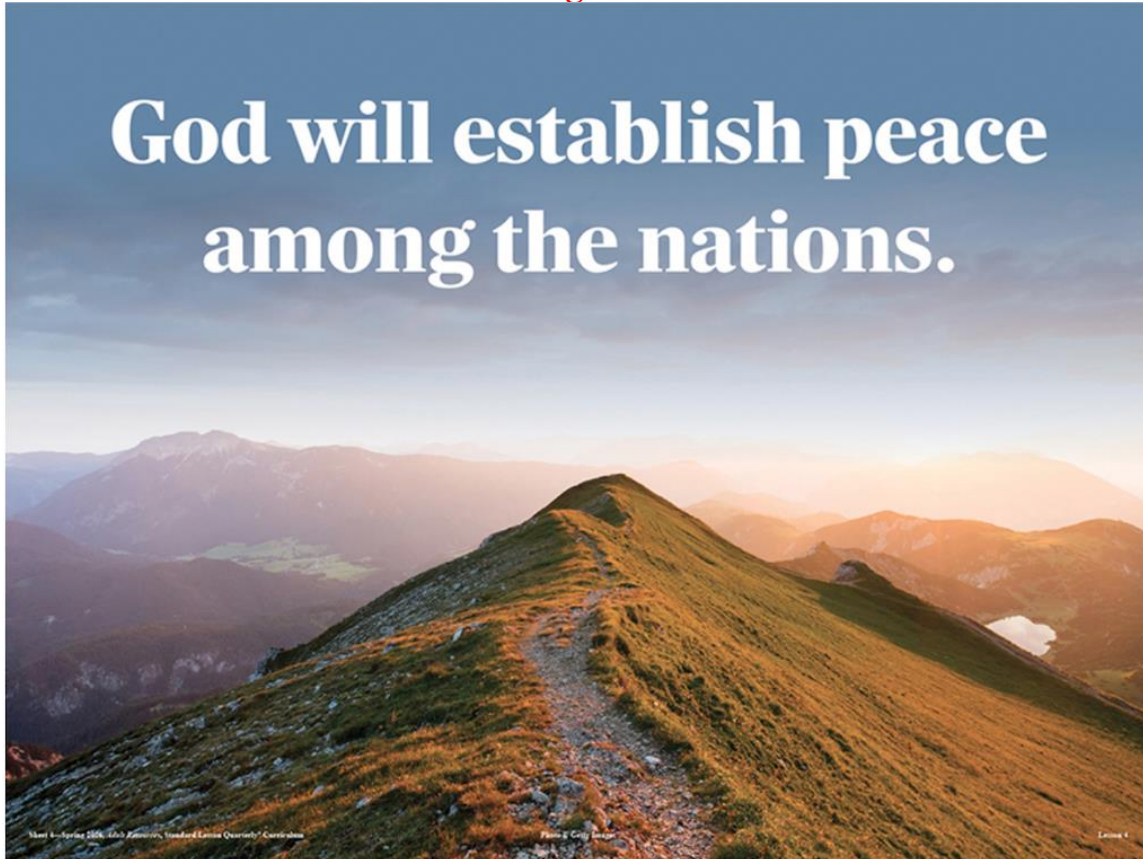


29 March 2026

Waiting for God's Peace
Lesson Scriptures: Isaiah 2:2–4 & Acts 17:26-28
Devotional Reading: Revelation 5:8–14



After participating in this lesson, we will be able to:

1. Summarize the main points of Isaiah's prophecy.
2. Explain how God's peace is already present in the world but not fully manifest until Jesus returns.
3. Create a plan for fostering peace in a specific context where unresolved conflict exists.

Lesson Text

Isaiah 11:6–10

⁶The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling^[a] together; and a little child will lead them.

⁷**The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.**

⁸The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest.

⁹**They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.**

¹⁰In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.

¹¹**In that day the Lord will reach out his hand a second time to reclaim the surviving remnant of his people from Assyria, from Lower Egypt, from Upper Egypt, from Cush,^[b] from Elam, from Babylonia,^[c] from Hamath and from the islands of the Mediterranean.**

Acts 17:26-28

²⁶“From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands.

²⁷**God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.**

²⁸‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’

Introduction

- A. Yearning for Peace
- B. Lesson Context: Isaiah in Judah
- C. Lesson Context: Paul in Athens

I. Final Peace Among Nations (Isaiah 2:2–4)

- A. Mountain for All (v. 2)
- B. Identification of Authority (v. 3)
- C. Freedom from War (v. 4)

There Is a Place

II. Divine Origin of Nations (Acts 17:26–28)

- A. Creator's Actions (v. 26)
Honoring God
- B. Humanity's Response (v. 27)
- C. Humanity's Awareness (v. 28)

Conclusion:

- A. Promised Peace
- B. Prayer
- C. Thought to Remember

Summary of Lesson

Throughout history, war has been constant, and even today we are surrounded by conflict, violence, and unrest. While people long for peace, the Bible teaches true, lasting peace comes from God. This peace has two parts: peace between humanity and God, and peace among people and nations. The first has already been accomplished through Jesus ([Romans 5:1](#)). The second is still unfolding and is the focus of this lesson.

In Isaiah, the prophet speaks during a time when Judah faced both external threats and internal corruption. The people had turned away from God, and as a result, they lacked peace. Isaiah calls them to repentance while also offering hope: one day, God would restore Jerusalem and establish true peace.

Isaiah envisions a future where all nations come to God, not in conflict but in unity, seeking His ways. As people learn from Him and follow His path, conflict will end. Weapons of war will be transformed into tools for growth, symbolizing a world where nations no longer fight but live in harmony under God's rule.

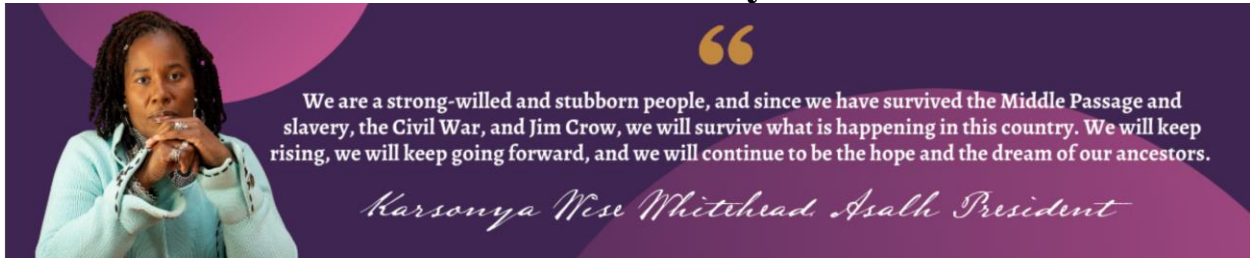
In the New Testament, Acts records Paul the Apostle speaking in Athens. He explains all nations come from one Creator and exist to seek God. Though people

may not always recognize Him, God is near to everyone. Paul connects with his audience by using their own ideas, showing truth about God can be found and fulfilled in the gospel.

Together, these passages teach peace among nations begins with seeking God. While the world does not yet fully experience this peace, believers are called to live as peacemakers. By reflecting God's character and sharing His truth, they point others toward the day when true and lasting peace will be fully realized.

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