

An Endless Mine of Peace

There is something that we are all given plenty of, but it's never enough. What is it? Time. We're given lots of it, but we want more. Everybody pretends they don't have enough of it, and it just keeps coming. All the time we get is ours, but we don't get to keep any of it. It comes and goes, and the only thing we are left with is what we do in that time.

What should we do in that time? We are such "Do" creatures that we forget certain fundamental things. We are *driven* to do so much. So much of what we think we have to do is not from us, it's from somebody else. For once, it would be nice to feel what we really want to do and the quest come from within, not driven by the outside world.

There is another quest, something that moves and inspires each human being. And that is the desire to be fulfilled—not in thought, not in imagination, but in earnest. Peace—the state where there is no confusion, that place which doesn't dwell on tomorrow, but now, where the value of presence is true, and the value of absence is nothing. That there is an understanding of what it means to be alive. What a gift.



What is so special about a human being? It has been said that this is the doorway to knowing how to tap into peace—a peace that resides in every human being. It's not about the good and bad, winning and losing. It's not about solving problems, because every time you have solved a problem, there will be another one. It's feeling the gift that we all have been given.

We have had a dream for a *really, really* long time—a spectacular dream, an incredible dream which said, "Be in peace." Not fear, not doubt, not pain, not sorrow, not confusion, but clarity. To feel that understanding, to be in joy, to be in reality. True reality is a feeling.

What is your reality? Your reality is that you exist but one day, you won't. It's not about your plans. There's only one game you can play, and it is the game of being fulfilled. That's it. When you awaken and feel

your heart full of gratitude, when you awaken and feel peace, you know you are winning. Whenever you feel that, you just won.

The call for peace cannot come from the intellect. It has to come from the heart. Peace is the reward. Joy is the reward. A life fulfilled. That is the most incredible reward, the highest honor.

The quest for peace is always noble, because there's no end to it. It is the truest victory for every human being. It is not about all the deserts you could cross or the mountain you could climb. It is about feeling, admiring the space within. This is life, not the things that happen in it.

Feel the ultimate feeling. When you dig an endless mine, it really doesn't matter how much you've gotten out of it. The only thing you can do is just keep digging and digging and digging. Till you can't.

Feel peace in your life every day. Feel gratitude in your life every day. When you have that contentment, you truly have a life. That's how simple it is.



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