

In prayer for peace, men and women of all faiths can join together. If there is any aspiration which men and women of all nations share today, it surely is that peace may become the common possession of all.

With Tennyson, I firmly believe:

"More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of
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For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If, knowing God, they lift not hands of prayer
Both for themselves and those who call them friend?
For so the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God."

Having spoken of the efficacy of prayer, I should perhaps say a word about something else which is essential to the preservation of peace: - that is the need to supplement prayer with action. I cannot do better than recall the words of the Apostle James, that "faith without works is dead". As one who has had some experience in government, may I say that, in these critical times, "the watchful eye and the strong arm" are, I believe, more than ever necessary to protect us from injustice and wrong.