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that will obstruct the way to peace unless they are brought out into the open and cleared away. We must give ourselves tolerance. We must ask what gave birth to these resentments and hatreds. We must ask why they are there. And we must answer these questions frankly before we can wipe away these erosions of distrust.

This can be and must be done. True, this is not a conference to frame a peace treaty. But our words and actions here can outline a future pattern that can serve for all the small nations of the world--a pattern that can be the working basis for world communal living--a pattern that will set the peace. In this plan, the terms under which the individual nations have set their manner of living must adjust themselves to the needs of the peace; power must become pliable. Each nation must be prepared to contribute its share of effort and its share of yielding. In this civilized family first one member and then another gives in or yields a little and by these small submissions they gain everything in pride and protection.

In this past war, heroic efforts have been spent in a nobility and sacrifice we pray may never be required again. Men of all nations have shown their ability to sacrifice and to die. Now--now--is the time to show our ability to sacrifice and to live. For without mutual sacrifice now, we will only live to die.

There is a pattern to study and dissect. It is one of the spirit, of what we must call the human soul. In our hands is the tremendous responsibility to preserve the human race, or to condemn it to certain doom. Here--here--on this testing ground, cannot the victorious say: "Let us come out of our strength and our power. Let us yield to these others; let us be prepared to share our power and our opinion that victory may be sure. Our aim must be tolerance, for victory can be preserved only with tolerance. We will sign here our death warrant for the future unless we show our willingness for giving and not for grasping, a capacity for understanding and not of clinging to the set determination that has undone the past, and the ability for meeting on the common earth of understanding, the littlest nation and the littlest man."

This war has given us a new yardstick by which to judge the stature of nations. Nations are no longer judged by their size or by their wealth or by their population. In the darkest hour for civilization in Europe--in the darkest hour for civilization in Europe--8,000,000 Greeks, in number insignificant, their country in size inconsequential; and yet because they refused to give in, because as worthy descendants of the heroes of Thermopole they stood their ground and refused to surrender their principles and ideals, the Mediterranean Sea was not made into a German sea.