



Peace

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World Peace

Peace on Earth is a lofty goal,
It's a worthy thought – clear and bold,
I think of Isabelle's reaching hands,
I think of love and where it lands.

We marched against the invasion of Iraq,
I'm happy that from Afghanistan we are back,
It seems much too easy to start a war,
When the drones are bombing peace seems afar.

But what exactly is a peaceful world?
Is it one where nations dance and twirl?
Or is where human needs are met?
Living free and clear with no serious debt?

We must address hunger at the least,
Without enough food, there cannot be peace,
For hungry people do desperate things,
Regardless of what their action brings.

And we must address climate change,
For its effects will have nasty fangs,
We must act now to change the pattern,
Or its impacts will be felt, and nations flattened.

We need religions where war is banned,
Rather than rhetoric where flames are fanned,
My god is right and yours is wrong,
Your god is weak and mine is strong.

But most of all we need a vision,

Of the cloud of peace and not nuclear fission,
Creativity is required to see the future,
Let's work on peace with a supercomputer.

My vision of peace is love for nature,
All for all beings must become our culture,
It's not about me versus them or you,
But about realizing we are all in the same stew.

So welcome to Earth Church,
Pull yourself up a pew,
Here we envision world peace
And you can too.