

A HEARTFELT APPEAL



With the threat of calamitous wars looming in several parts of the globe, Prem Rawat, an internationally recognized peace leader and speaker to 4.5 million worldwide, writing in the prestigious newspaper, *The Times of India*, made an appeal to world leaders and people generally to “give peace a chance” by turning inward.

Citing mounting intolerance, a failure of reason, and indifference to the sanctity of human life as the root cause of war, he argues that war is not basically an issue of institutions, “but rather of men’s hearts. It is people who start wars. Before a war starts outside, it begins inside.” Prem Rawat’s message is that these issues are personal to each individual. His admonition “Don’t go to war” refers not to the current geopolitical situation, but is directed to each individual. “The war on the inside is more dangerous because it is a fire that may never be quenched. Wars are being fought because peace is not being found inside by those who make wars.”

Noting that all peoples are searching for something, Prem Rawat tells *The Times of India* readers that finding peace within is, for most, not easy. “It must be

carefully mined,” he wrote, “taking out what we need—what is precious—and discarding what is not.

“Peace sees no distinctions,” he points out. “It does not care if we are rich, if we are poor, or what religion we belong to. It does not care what country we live in. Peace lies in our hearts, waiting to be fulfilled.

“Peace is when the heart is no longer in duality; when the struggle within has been resolved. When peace comes to the heart, serenity follows. Love comes flooding in, uncontrolled. Joy cannot be held back. It bursts through because something is right. That is the meaning of peace.”

Prem Rawat, delivering his message of peace to a first-time ever capacity crowd in the J. Nehru Stadium in Delhi, closes his commentary with a heartfelt appeal: “Of all the things we have tried in this world, there is one thing that we have never given a chance. Now I ask, will we give peace a chance?”

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