# Title: Peace and Conflict – Is it ever right to fight?

**Key Questions:** Have we ever been forgiven for something we did wrong? How do followers of T\* seek and offer forgiveness? How can forgiving others benefit us? Should I forgive everything? Have we ever been impressed by an example of forgiveness? Is forgiveness always possible? Can I forgive on behalf of others? Why can it be a good thing if I forgive others?

**Key Concepts:** Beliefs about the essential requirement to love our neighbour, teachings on justice peace and reconciliation.

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| **Learning objectives** | **Activities** | **Resources** |
| To examine some of the key ideas relating to War. To understand the different types of wars. To reflect and think if it can ever be right to fight.  | Starter Students to list all the things that make a good relationship between people. For example,…trust, give and take, shared interests. What causes conflict between people? Mind map and share ideas. For example…disagreements, selfishness, betrayal etc… Students to read through some information and explain each of the following. 1.Holy War2.Just War3. Pacifism4. Conscience5. Non- Violent Protest 6. Reconciliation Religious teachings about harmony and tolerance The Golden Rule Read the two religious teachings and students to discuss if it is ever right to fight? Yes- Give reasons No- Give reasons Plenary- Do you think religion makes it easy or more difficult to reach a definite decision about war/violence?  | What are the causes of conflict?Information can be obtained from: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/z2xxk2p/revision/3#:~:text=impose%20domination%20or%20political%20change,ideology%2C%20religion%20or%20ethnic%20group>Information on the definitions can be obtained from a variety of different websites. GSCE Bitesize Christianity ‘Do to others what you would have them do to you.’(Luke 6:31) Islam ‘And fight in the cause of God those who fight with you, but do not go over the limits; God does not love aggressors.’ (Qur’an 2:190)  |