Thought for the Day – Thursday 10th March 2022

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Christian Aid   A prayer for Ukraine by David Thomas

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Lord of all people and all nations

We lift before you the people of Ukraine and the people of Russia,

Each girl and boy, each woman and man living in fear of what tomorrow might bring.

We long for a time, you spoke of through your prophet Isaiah

When weapons of war would be beaten into plough shares,

When nation will no longer lift up sword against nation

> We cry out to you for peace.

Protect those who only desire and deserve to live in

> Security and safety,

Comfort those who fear for their lives and the lives of their loved ones.

Change the hearts of those set on violence and aggression,

Fill earthly leaders with great wisdom to find paths to peace.

Please Lord come and have your way in the world.

May your will be done here on earth as it is in heaven,

May your peace reign, now and always,

We lift this prayer to you, our God who is able to do

More than we can ever ask or imagine

In the name of Christ our saviour.

> Amen

Let us pray for all those effected by war.