

WAR and peace 101

the biblical, three-level perspective

GOD
is in control.

GOD'S PEACE

has always been a rare special blessing.

Israel's victories

were blessings from the Lord.

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God's Leadership

both direct & through men

Israel's defeats

were allowed by the Lord.

ISRAEL
is in God's plan.

Avoiding war

was a good goal.

Defense

was necessary.

Courage

was faith based.

Heroes

can be paradoxical.

Sieges

were common.

Trusting men

was not God's way.

Civil Wars

were very sad.

SIN

often led to defeat.

Power lust

led to unjust wars.

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Evil Leaders

false prophets & evil kings

Suffering

was Satan's joy.

SATAN
is active.

SATAN'S HATE

He has always hated the Jews and Israel.

Directions: Go through the Bible TOP 55 cards / list and discuss how the various aspects of war above are seen or not seen in the lives of people like Joshua, Saul, David, Solomon, Hezekiah, Jeremiah, and Daniel.