

## QUOTATIONS BY DAISAKU IKEDA

### **Human Revolution:**

“A great human revolution in just a single individual will help achieve a change in the destiny of a nation and, further, will enable a change in the destiny of all humankind.”

### **Peace:**

“Peace is not simply the absence of war; it is a state in which people come together through mutual trust and their lives overflow with joy, energy and hope. This is the polar opposite of war—a condition in which people are plagued by hatred and the fear of death.”

### **Dialogue:**

“Without dialogue, humans are fated to walk in the darkness of their own dogmatic self-righteousness. Dialogue is the lamp by which we dispel that darkness, lighting and making visible for each other our steps and the path ahead.”

### **Education:**

“Education at its best is a process of liberation from prejudice which frees the human heart from its violent passions. Through education people can be delivered from powerlessness, from the burden of mistrust directed against themselves. And those who have learned to trust in themselves are then naturally able to believe in the latent capacities of others.”

### **Culture:**

“Culture is an elevated expression of the inner voice which the different peoples of the Earth have heard in the depths of their being, a voice which conveys the vibrant compassion and wisdom of the cosmic life. For different cultures to engage in interaction is to catalyze each other’s souls and foster mutual understanding.”

### **SGI:**

“The goal of the SGI’s movement is to empower the world’s citizens to rid this Earth of needless suffering while realizing lives of peace and happiness. With that pride and conviction, we will continue to work alongside people of like mind in building a global culture of peace in the 21st century.”

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