

Look for the positive

Read Gloria's
experience below.

The Apostle Paul also had an experience. He was someone who had been persecuting the Christians, and yet, in a totally unexpected way, he met Love itself! Jesus then sent him out to **BRING HIS PEACE** to everyone.

We are the same! We might have done things that make us discouraged, but we can always allow God's mercy to fill our soul. His love is amazing! He heals our hearts and makes us free to bring this treasure to others.

«Be reconciled
to God»

(2 Cor 5:20)

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How can we give our
contribution to the **PLAN FOR
PEACE** that God has for all
humanity and for
the whole of creation?

Chiara Lubich
suggests a way
to do it:

“God is close to everyone with his love. In fact, he loves each person with a passion! We should act in such a way that everyone will believe this just by seeing how we live.

How?

We need to love one another as Jesus loved us, without being closed in on ourselves, or prejudiced against other people, but rather always open to **welcome and appreciate the positive values in others.**

Is it possible to fill our
days with many acts of
friendship and
forgiveness?

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«Living like this, we will
enrich our day with acts of
friendship and
reconciliation»

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experience

In many parts of the world, war is tearing apart families, tribes and whole nations. Innocent people are killed or wounded. **Gloria, who is 20 years old, tells her experience:**

“We heard about a village that had been set on fire and totally destroyed. Many of the people lost everything they had. My friends and I collected things that were essential for them, like mattresses, clothes and food. It took us eight hours to drive to that town where we saw all those people in a state of desperation. We listened to them, cried with them, hugged them and tried to comfort them. One family told us: ‘Our little girl was in the house they burnt down. It felt like we were dying with her. Now, through your love, we have the strength to forgive the men who did this!’”

What did I do to offer
friendship and
forgiveness to others?

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