



## Rock Church Point Loma

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### [Pray for Peace: Part 2](#)

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*In this message, Pastor Miles and Pastor Travis recount their trip to Israel highlighting the people that they met and the sites they visited. Pastor Miles discusses how Jewish and Muslim cultures coexist together in Israel and emphasizes the urgency of praying for peace in Israel and extending God's love to all people.*

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In your group, review the points and scriptures below, then respond accordingly:

Read Genesis 12:1-3, Genesis 16:1-4 & 15-16, Genesis 21:1-7, Psalm 122:6, Ezekiel 36:28, Deuteronomy 7:7-8, and Zachariah 14:4.

Be disciplined in what you believe. Other religions are dedicated to routine prayer time, so we, too, must decide that prayer *is* and *will be* a priority in our day to day lives.

You can disagree with someone and still love them. Our culture says it's "us versus them," but know that it is absolutely okay to pray for a country or military actions and not agree or support their efforts... just let God reconcile that and continue to love those around you.

God is going to bring people into your life, and you're not going to know where, when, how, or why, but you need to be ready to share God's love with them. Decide that you will create opportunities to share your faith. Carry the ministry of reconciliation with you because Jesus is our focus. Seek to understand before you seek to be understood. Be curious and engage with others. It should bother you that people don't know God.

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***Suggested discussion questions from which you could select:***

*Do you publicly display your prayer life to others? Do you read your Bible at work? Do you pray for your meal? Are you embarrassed to share your faith? How many times have you not talked about Jesus or that you validated some other garbage because you didn't want those around you to know that you're a Christian? Who could you encourage? With whom do you need to share the gospel?*

