The Messianic Age

The Messianic Age is the time which the Messiah comes to reign on the earth and bring peace. This is a common theme in many religions, and is believed to be sometime in the future.

According to Jewish tradition, the Messianic Age is a time of global peace and harmony. There will be no difficulties, such as poverty and starvation, and people will use this as an opportunity to understand the power of the Almighty.

The book of Isaiah includes many passages about what the world will be like when the Messiah comes, for example:

"They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation will not lift sword against nation and they will no longer study warfare." Isaiah 2:4.

This shows the importance of bringing peace and that this will be a time where no wars will be fought. Maimonides, a prominent Jewish scholar claimed: "And at that time there will be no hunger or war, no jealousy or rivalry." This shows support for the idea of this being a time of peace.

However, before the period of peace, it is widely believed that a period of war should be expected:

"Before the time of the Messiah, there shall be war and suffering." Ezekiel 38:16.

The Jewish people expect there to be a time where wars are common place, this is why the

coming of the Messiah is of such importance to many Christians, to bring peace and tranquillity. Many Jewish believe that the conduct of mankind will determine when the Messiah will arrive. It is generally agreed that the Messiah will come at a time when he is most needed, so when the world is at its most sinful and most in need of peace. Jews will prepare for the coming of the Messiah to be as holy as they can, showing respect to the Almighty through following the rules laid down in the Torah as an example for other Jews and gentiles (non-Jews) alike.