A Philosophy of Peace and Justice: letters from Quebec I

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This edition includes the first of twenty-five letters in Volume I, subtitled: a Philosophy for Builders of Peace and Justice. This volume served as a text for an introductory philosophy course at Earlham College, a Quaker college in Richmond, Indiana, USA. The course is cross-linked as Peace and Global Studies IV *, subtitled: Food Ethics, the fourth course in the Peace and Global Studies curriculum.

Letter 1 ...................................................................................Think globally, act locally
2 ...........................................................................................Claudel's hope
3 ...........................................................................................The love of wisdom
4 ...........................................................................................Rationality
5 ...........................................................................................Please understand me—slowly
6 ...........................................................................................Hunger
7 ...........................................................................................The abatement of the little mother
8 ...........................................................................................Friedman's guillotine
9 ...........................................................................................Irrational rationality
10 ...........................................................................................The night walker, blue lady, frog stone and chicken in the road
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* The first three courses cover:
1. Anthropology as culture and conflict;
2. Political Science as the politics of global problems;
3. Economics as the global economy. In addition to Letters from Quebec I, the texts include:
   1. UNESCO selection from Gandhi’s writings,
   2. Dr. King, A Strength to Love
   3. Frances Moore Lappe and Joseph Collins, Food First
   4. Immanuel Kant, Foundations of the Metaphysics of Morals

As noted in Letters from Quebec II: Methods for transforming the Structures of the Modern World • twenty-five more letters • text for the course: Philosophy of Social Science (upper level) along with Nancy Hartsock, Money, Sex, and Power: toward a specifically Feminist Historical Materialism, and several books about the methodology of research in the social sciences.