

“With malice toward none, with charity for all,
with firmness in the right as God gives us to
see the right, let us strive on to finish the work
we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to
care for him who shall have borne the battle
and for his widow
and his orphan, to do all which may
achieve and cherish a just and lasting
peace among ourselves and with all nations.”

— Abraham Lincoln, from the
Second Inaugural Address, March 4, 1865