



He gave us the very great and precious promises. With these gifts you can share in being like God, and the world will not ruin you with its evil desires. 2 Peter 1:4 (NCV)

- God's promises to you communicate His **love** for you.

Today's promise:

- God wants to give you **peace**.

"The mountains may disappear, and the hills may come to an end, but my love will never disappear; my promise of peace will not come to an end," says the LORD. Isaiah 54:10 (NCV)

God makes his people strong. God gives his people peace. Psalm 29:11 (MSG)

"I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid. John 14:27

- The world's peace seeks to change the **circumstances** around us, while God's peace changes the **heart** within us.

Only God gives inward peace, and I depend on him. Psalm 62:5

- We can't experience peace **from God** until we experience peace **with God**.

...God was in Christ making peace between the world and himself, not putting their sins to their account, and having given to us the preaching of this news of peace. 2 Corinthians 5:19 (BBE)

...since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Romans 5:1 (NLT)

- We can experience peace with God when we **surrender** ourselves to the Son of God.

But he was wounded and bruised for our sins. He was beaten that we might have peace; he was lashed—and we were healed! Isaiah 53:5 (TLB)

But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed. Isaiah 53:5

Other Notes

...when the Holy Spirit controls our lives he will produce this kind of fruit in us: love, joy, **peace**, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control... Galatians 5:22-23 (TLB)

- We need to learn to **release** what is not ours to control.

The Peace from God we need is:

- Peace that eliminates **frustrations**.

If we don't learn to release our frustrations they will in time **control us**.

I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world." John 16:33

- Peace that overcomes **fears**.

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. John 14:27

- Peace that extends **forgiveness**.

...Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death." Ephesians 2:16 (NLT)

We can only **give** what we **possess**.

- Peace that changes my **focus**.

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- What is one promise that you hold onto most in life?
- In your own words, What is the difference between the peace the world gives and the peace that God gives?
- What does the point mean to you: We can't experience peace from God until we experience peace with God? Why is peace with God essential to all of man kind?
- What does it mean to you to surrender yourself to the Son of God? How does that give us peace?
- How is learning to release what is not ours to control a spiritual discipline?
- Why do we need peace that will eliminate frustrations?
- How does God's peace overcome our fears?
- Why do we need peace that extends forgiveness?
- What does it mean to have peace that changes our focus?

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ADDITION SCRIPTURES ON PEACE:

But all who listen to me will live in peace, untroubled by fear of harm.” Proverbs 1:33 (NLT)

You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!
Isaiah 26:3 (NLT)

And the effect of righteousness will be peace, and the result of righteousness, quietness
and trust forever. Isaiah 32:17 (ESV)

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For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his
shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting
Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6

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...And he will be their peace. Micah 5:5

This is the message of Good News ...that there is peace with God through Jesus Christ,
who is Lord of all. Acts 10:36

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts... Colossians 3:15 (NIV)

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Today’s Talk..



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