**WONDERFUL PEACE**

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[**15**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-2-15/) **Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of commandments *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace;**

[**16**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-2-16/) **And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby:**

[**17**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-2-17/) **And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.**

[**18**](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-2-18/) **For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.**

**INTRO:**

**\*\*Our veterans have served this country and fought in battles and wars so that we can live in peace. I’m thankful for our veterans for that!**

**\*\*Today though we live in what some would call peaceful times; however, there’s no peace in Our Country, in Other Continents, in Our Churches, and in Our Communities.**

**\*\*There’s only one place to find real peace and true peace, and that is in Our Christ! Real Christians have real peace!**

**\*\*Here’s what the letters in PEACE represent to me.**

**1. P – Personal Peace**

**Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**

**2. E – Enjoyable Peace**

**Romans 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.**

**3. A – Abundant Peace**

**Psalms 37:11 But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.**

**4. C – Constant Peace**

**Isaiah 26:3 Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed *on thee*: because he trusteth in thee.**

**5. E = Everlasting Peace**

**Psalms 37:37 Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright: for the end of *that* man *is* peace.**

**\*\*This is what real true peace is, and it is so needed today!**

**\*\*This Wonderful Peace is real and it can be obtained. Here are some truths about this Wonderful Peace.**

**I. WONDERFUL PEACE IS PROMISED!**

**Ephesians 2:14 [14](https://www.kingjamesbibleonline.org/Ephesians-2-14/%22%20%5Co%20%22Ephesians%202%3A14%20KJV%20verse%20detail) For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition *between us*;**

 **A. Peace is Promised through God’s Son**

**\*\*The peace of Jesus is Not Unreal, Not Unknown, and Not Unattainable!**

 **B. Peace is Promised through God’s Salvation**

**\*\*This promised peace comes once . . .**

 **1. Our Sinfulness is Revealed**

 **2. Our Sinfulness is Removed**

 **3. Our Soul is Redeemed**

 **C. Peace is Promised through God’s Strength**

**\*\*God’s Strength gives me Peace when I’m Worried, when I’m Weak, and when I’m Weeping!**

**\*\*No matter how difficult life may be for you and me, we’ve just have to hold onto God because He has promised His children peace!**

**II. WONDERFUL PEACE IS PERSONIFIED!**

**\*\*There’s only one person that is the perfect icon and the image of peace, and that is Jesus Christ – the Prince of Peace!**

 **A. The Lord’s Blood Gives Us Peace!**

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**\*\*His Blood gives me peace because it lets me know . . .**

 **1. Hell isn’t my Final Destination**

 **2. Heaven is my Final Destination**

 **B. The Lord’s Book Gives Us Peace**

**\*\*The Word is God; the Word is Personified as Jesus!**

**\*\*That Holy Book is Jesus and that’s where I get my Help, my Hope, and my Happiness!**

 **C. The Lord’s Blessings Gives Us Peace**

 **1. I get peace when Jesus blesses my Situation**

 **2. I get peace when Jesus blesses my Soul**

**\*\*Some people say you can’t see Jesus, but I see Him every day in the peace I feel in my heart when I look and see I have His Blood, His Book, and His Blessings in my life!**

**III. WONDERFUL PEACE IS PRODUCED!**

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**\*\*Only Jesus can make and manufacture real peace in our lives!**

 **A. Peace is Produced through the Life of Christ**

**\*\*When Christ was living as a human being on this Earth,**

 **1. He gave peace to the Sinful; He still can!**

 **2. He gave peace to the Sick; He still can!**

 **3. He gave peace to the Sorrowful; He still can!**

 **4. He gave peace to the Scholars; He still can!**

**\*\*It didn’t give people peace with the world, but it sure gave them peace with God! That’s what matters!**

 **B. Peace is Produced through the Love of Christ**

**\*\*When we love the way Christ loved and the way He tells us to love, Christ will bring peace into our lives!**

**\*\*So if you want peace, then . . .**

 **1. Love the Sinner**

 **2. Love the Savior**

 **3. Love the Saved**

 **4. Love the Service**

 **5. Love to Serve**

**\*\*Leaders and the world say they will make peace and call for peace and sign for peace, but only Jesus can make real peace. Real peace is only made by Jesus in the heart of a person who will accept Him as their Lord and Savior!**

**IV. WONDERFUL PEACE IS PROCLAIMED!**

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 **1. Christ still has peace for those who turn a cold shoulder to God’s Goodness.**

 **2. Christ still has peace for those who turn a cold shoulder to God’s Grace.**

**\*\*I keep telling it just in case someone that’s cold to God gets tired of being alone and cold and wants to warm up to the peace and power of God in their lives!**

 **B. Those Who are Close to God still need to hear about His Peace!**

**Ephesians 2:17 . . . and to them that were nigh.**

 **1. You can be a Child of God and be Sorrowful and need to hear more about God’s Peace.**

 **2. You can be a Child of God and be Suffering and need to hear more about God’s Peace**

**\*\*I’m so glad that God sent someone my way many times to proclaimed peace in my life!**

**V. WONDERFUL PEACE IS POSSESSED!**

**Romans 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:**

 **A. Faith in Jesus justifies the Worldly People and they can have Peace!**

 **B. Faith in Jesus justifies the Worst People and they can have Peace!**

 **C. Faith in Jesus justifies the Worried People and they can have Peace!**

 **D. Faith in Jesus justifies the Weakest People and they can have Peace!**

**\*\*In other words, no matter who you are you can have peace and possess peace when you put your faith in the Lord Jesus Christ!**

**CLOSE**

**\*\*Is your heart heavy today?**

**\*\*Do you need the Lord’s peace to sweep over your spirit today?**

**\*\*Come and pray for this wonderful peace that the world doesn’t know about today!**