

His Name Shall be Called...

Prince of Peace

Isaiah 9:6

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INTRO:

- More than a babe born in Bethlehem, but a Prince
 - The “Prince of Life” (Acts 3:15)
 - The “Prince of the kings of the earth” (Rev. 1:5)
 - The “Prince of Peace” (Isa. 9:6)
- Three Dimensions of Peace
 - Peace with God
 - Peace of God
 - Peace on earth

Read Text

I. Peace With God (Rom. 5:1)

- A. Millions of people have sought peace with God
 - a. Through religious ritual
 - b. Through good works
 - c. Through giving of money or possessions
- B. There is a great gulf between sinners and God
- C. That gulf was bridged by the cross of Christ
 - a. He paid our sin debt (Isa. 53:5-6)
 - b. He broke down all the barriers (Eph. 2:12-18)
 - c. He made peace through His blood (Col. 1:20)
- D. We now find peace with God through faith in Jesus (Rom. 5:1)

II. The Peace OF God (Phil. 4:5-8)

- A. Peace with God is positional and unchanging
- B. The peace of God is dependant upon our relationship with Him
- C. Many have peace with God but miss the peace of God in their lives.

- D. The path to peace
 - a. Be anxious about nothing (v.6)
 - b. Pray about everything (v.6)
 - c. Give thanks without ceasing (v.6)
 - d. Think only about praise (v.8)
- E. The result: peace that passes all understanding

III. Peace on Earth (Isa. 2:4)

- A. “Peace on earth good will toward man” (Lk. 2:14)
- B. This peace awaits the kingdom
 - a. No more war (Is. 2:4)
 - b. Peace among animals (Is. 11:6-8)
 - c. Peace instead of violence (Is. 11:9-10)
 - d. Peace in nature (Is. 35:1-2, 7)
- C. Gabriel’s promise to Mary will be fulfilled (Lk. 1:30-33)
- D. The best is yet to come

Conc:

- Do you long for peace today?
- Christ will bring peace to your troubled heart.
- Someday, He will bring peace to this troubled world.
- Will you today make peace with God and receive the peace OF God in your heart?