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# THE LITTLE BOOK OF PEACE FOR FATHERS

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This book is dedicated to:

God's grace and mercy

My wife: Melissa

My sons: Fred III, Brian, Travis,  
and Luke

My grandchildren: Kenzie, Cole,  
Cayden, and Elijah.

My daughter's in-law: Sheri, and  
Laura

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# PREFACE

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There is a lot of worldly advice for everything that ails the family. The family is in such distress that a whole industry has arisen around the cause of family failure. The government through the years has spent trillions; some of that money has helped and yet some of it has been harmful. Furthermore many of the programs add to the problem.

More money can and will be thrown at the problem and we will still see families in distress. As always the answer is not government or its money, the answer is the God of the Bible. God offers peace and peace can be claimed. *The Little Book of Peace* does not analyze the problem, and it does not propose spending any money at all...this book pursues the peace “with” and “of” God. The only true peace is peace with the God of the Bible. Peace after all is what families want and treasure more than anything.

Should you not believe in the God of the Bible, I challenge you to read this book...it is a very short read and the promise is too great to pass up. After you have read this small book, I believe that you will recognize a peace that you have not known for yourself and your loved ones. You will also see immediately that true peace is within your grasp.

God wants to know, are you man enough to be a Biblical man? If you are, God's promise of peace is for you and your children. <sup>Pr 20:7</sup> *The righteous who walks in his integrity—blessed are his children after him!*

# INTRODUCTION

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La 3:17 *my soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is...* In this verse happiness is used as; I have forgotten what good is, or what glad is. The Bible does not use the word happiness as we normally think of the word today. People say they are searching for happiness. Nowhere in the Bible is happiness seen as an honorable pursuit. It is always seen as a condition gained from obedience to God or lost by disobedience.

Our modern use of happiness is thought of as something that is gained by human action; whether it is something material or a certain state of mind. The material is thought of as coming from some degree of wealth, and the mind can be easily altered by the ingestion of substances that can create a temporary state of being...every drug known to man qualifies.

When “*happiness*” is used in the Bible it is generally used to denote something that is done well, pleasing, cheerful, and glad.

Unhappiness is the loss of what is “good”, “glad”, “pleasing”, and “cheerful”, and these words describe a soul that is without peace. It is peace that brings

good things into our life, and happiness is the result of obedience.

Its first occurrence is in **Ge 1:4** *And God saw that the light was **good**. And God separated the light from the darkness.* God appraises each day's creative work as being "good," climaxing it with a "very good" on the sixth day (Gen. 1:31). As a positive term, the word is used to express many nuances of that which is "good," such as a "glad" heart (Judg. 18:20), "pleasing" words (Gen. 34:18), and a "cheerful" face (Prov. 15:13).<sup>i</sup>

**La 3:17** *my soul is bereft of peace; I have forgotten what happiness is...* Again this verse demonstrates the path to true peace and it is not in a human pursuit of happiness. It is the loss of what is "good", "glad", "pleasing, and "cheerful", and these words describes a soul that is without peace. It is peace that brings all of these things into a father's life and therefore into the life of his family.

How is Biblical peace achieved and received; the Bible speaks of three types of peace... "peace with God", "the peace of God, and "peace from God".

First there is "peace with God". **Ro 5:1** *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Each believer is justified by God when they call upon the name of, and accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. God says that if you will cease the rebellion and surrender from being Lord of yourself; than God will cover your sin...this is eternal peace. <sup>Ac 2:38</sup> *And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

Jesus Christ is the way of salvation; <sup>Jn 20:31</sup> *but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.* <sup>Jn 11:25</sup> *Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live...*

Should you choose to receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and savior, you can do so by praying this simple prayer: **I confess that I am a sinner and I receive Jesus Christ as my Lord and savior.** After doing so, I suggest that you tell a family member or trusted friend, and seek out a Church for baptism and worship.

Secondly there is the “peace of God”. <sup>Php 4:7</sup> *And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

The “peace of God” is probably the most misunderstood term in the Bible. Christians are often heard to ask “*why am I suffering*”.

God’s act of justification gives us “peace with God”, but a Christian’s everyday walk in obedience is the claim to the “peace of God”. The question becomes how much peace, good, pleasing, and cheerfulness do you want in life. It is in direct proportion to the active pursuit of God’s requirements.

Jesus said; <sup>Mt 11:29</sup> *Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.* <sup>Mt 11:30</sup> *For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”*

The requirements are for our own good; therefore God says that the burden is light. They are easy and light when they are of God; they are not easy when we decide what is good for ourselves. Oh there may be a temporary enjoyment; rebellion is always easy in the euphoric state of self; <sup>Pr 29:11</sup> *A fool gives full vent to his spirit, but a wise man quietly holds it back.* The end result is failure and a loss of all that is good and pleasing. *The Little Book of Peace* is a guide to the peace that “*surpasses all understanding*” ... a peace worthy of owning.

Thirdly there is the “peace from God”. This Biblical phrase is always used as a greeting to believers. All words of Biblical teaching and fellowship are seen as spoken as a “peace from God”.

My prayer for each person that reads and does what God requires is; <sup>Jud 2</sup> *May **mercy, peace, and love** be multiplied to you.* How should this verse be seen?

- **Mercy is: “peace with God” (Salvation and Forgiveness of our Sins)**
- **Peace is: “peace of God” (Our Obedience)**
- **Love is: “peace from God” (God’s Everyday Care)**

# Definition of Peace

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Peace is most often thought of as the opposite of war, but in the Bible it carries a meaning that is more encompassing. The biblical view of peace is found in many of the great promises from God; therefore it is important to understand what these promises contain and to do so we must understand how God uses the word peace in the Bible.

**PEACE** — a word with several different meanings in the Old and New Testaments.

**The Old Testament** meaning of peace was completeness, soundness, and well-being of the total person. This peace was considered God-given, obtained by following the Law (Ps. 119:165). Peace sometimes had a physical meaning, suggesting security (Ps. 4:8), contentment (Is. 26:3), prosperity (Ps. 122:6–7) and the absence of war (1 Sam. 7:14). The traditional Jewish greeting, *shalom*, means “peace” and was a wish for peace.

**The New Testament**, peace often refers to the inner tranquility and poise of the Christian whose trust is in God through Christ. This understanding was originally expressed in the Old Testament writings about the coming MESSIAH (Is. 9:6–7). The peace that Jesus Christ spoke of was a combination of hope,



trust, and quiet in the mind and soul, brought about by reconciliation with God. Such peace was proclaimed by the host of angels at Christ's birth (Luke 2:14), and by Christ Himself in His SERMON ON THE MOUNT (Matt. 5:9) and during His ministry. He also taught about this kind of peace at the Lord's Supper, shortly before His death (John 14:27).

The apostle Paul later wrote that such peace and spiritual blessedness was a direct result of faith in Christ (Rom. 5:1).<sup>ii</sup>

Starting with salvation, an eternal peace:

*Ps 20:4* *May he grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans!* *Ps 20:5* *May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the LORD fulfill all your petitions!*

May we come to understand a daily peace that “surpasses all understanding”; and we will know:

*Ps 145:16* *You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.* *Ps 145:17* *The LORD is righteous in all his ways and kind in all his works.* *Ps 145:18* *The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.* *Ps 145:19* *He fulfills the desire of those who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.*

*Ps 21:2* *You have given him his heart's desire and have not withheld the request of his lips. Peace*

# Peace Far and Near

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**Jn 16:33** *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.*”

Right before Jesus prayed on the Mount of Olives and right before His arrest and crucifixion, He spoke these words to His disciples. Jesus wanted you to know some very important things; first He wanted you to know that He was praying for each of us. Secondly, Jesus wanted you to have and know peace; a peace that comes only from God. Thirdly, Jesus told you that each of us would have troubles in our lives. Lastly, Jesus wanted you to know He had overcome the world and if you lived your life in Him, you too could also overcome the world.

There will be many of you that read this book that will be living in difficult situations...some of you because of no fault of your own, and some of you from bad decisions that you made.

To those of you that are suffering because of others, I want you to know that God will provide you strength now, and keep His promises for your life later. You will meet many people that after a difficult time went

on to a blessed and peaceful life. Many are praying for you at this very moment and I want you to always remember this. When things seem to be at their worst, just remember that at the very moment of your troubles, other Christians are praying for you.

For those of you that have made some bad decisions you must remember these next verses.

**1 Jn 1:9** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.* This verse tells you that you only need to ask for forgiveness, and God always grants forgiveness. This is true for every sin in every circumstance.

**1 Jn 1:10a** *If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar...* This verse tells us that everyone sins and everyone needs to confess. You live in a sinful world with sin all around. This is why we all receive “*grace upon grace*”. **Jn 1:16** *For from his fullness we have all received, **grace upon grace.***

What happens to your sins after you ask for forgiveness? **Ps 103:12** *as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our sins from us.* If you walk west, no matter how far you go you will always be going west, you can continue forever going around the globe going west. The same is true if you go east.

Not true if you go north, for by continuing north you will soon get to the top of the world and start going south, then you would soon get to the bottom of the world and start back to the north...returning to where you started. God used this very specific wording so that you would know that you never return to a sin confessed.

This means that neither you nor God can ever again visit that sin...forgiveness means total forgiveness.

God wanted you to be sure to understand that forgiveness really means forgiveness, so God used another example. <sup>Mic 7:19</sup> *He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.* God wanted to use this example so you would see all of your sins at the bottom of the sea never to rise again.

**Ga 6:16** *And as for all who walk by this rule, **peace and mercy** be upon them...*

You can know that your sins are forgiven when you keep God's rule of confession, and you can be certain that you will receive God's "*peace and mercy*".

## **God keeps His promises:**

**Dt 7:9** *Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations ...*

## **God's promises are precious and great:**

**2 Pe 1:4** *by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.*

## **Peace, peace, to the far and to the near:**

**Is 57:18** *I have seen his ways, but I will heal him; I will lead him and restore comfort to him and his mourners,* **Is 57:19** *creating the fruit of the lips. Peace, peace, to the far and to the near," says the LORD, "and I will heal him.*

Do not lose heart, today is not forever and your future is "beyond all comparison".

**2 Co 4:16a** *So we do not lose heart ...* **2 Co 4:17** *For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison...*

# A Father's Uniform

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Most everyone has heard of Job of the Bible in the Book of Job. Job had the worst befall him and his family. The loss of all he owned, his seven children lost their life, and Job was beset by illness. For forty chapters Job wanted to take his case before God; for Job wondered how a righteous man could suffer as he had. Where was God?

After forty chapters of Job complaining, God showed up out of the whirlwind. Instead of answering Job's questions; God asked Job questions...questions that demonstrated God's righteousness. God never once answered Job about why the righteous suffer. When God paused speaking, Job was so awed that he put his hand over his mouth and said that he would speak no more. The next words that God spoke are very important. These words are the first instructions to Job; before God had only asked questions. The words are in <sup>Job40.7a</sup> ***Dress for action like a man...***

God knew that being a man was not going to be a Sunday stroll in the park. God wanted Job to stop complaining and strengthen himself for action. What action is God speaking of? We know that we are not under the Law of Moses, but the Apostle Paul tells us that we are under the Law of Christ.

What is the Law of Christ? It is every infinitive verb in the Bible such as do, sit, stand, and walk. Infinitive verbs are the action verbs; God wants his Godly men to quit complaining and be men...men that not only believe but walk the Christian walk.

# Peace for Fathers

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Whenever we want to understand the important things in life the only place to start is with God's requirements.

“Peace with God”: **Romans 5.1** *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ.* First there is “peace with God”. This is when we surrender and accept Christ as our Lord and Savior.

“Peace of God”: **Phillipians4.7**, *and the **peace of God**, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* It is this “peace of God” that keeps us. This is our walk in Christ each and every day.

Notice that by of way this peace with and of God that a father lies down at night in safety. Furthermore when a father sleeps well; it is God that provides “sweet sleep”.

**Psalm4.9** *In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.*

**Prov3.24** *If you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.*



How does a father lie down in sweet sleep and safety?

**Psalm34.14** *Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.*

The Bible is clear, a father must turn from wrong and seek and pursue peace with God. A father must make a clear decision to first become a man of God. The one thing that many successful men in the later years of their career have in common is the lack of peace and happiness. Happiness is a result of peace and peace is a result of a right relationship with God.

An authentic father must be an authentic man of God. God gave father's the position and the authority to be both leaders and priest of the family, but we cannot exercise this authority without peace. Oh yes we can be the one that gives the orders and makes the demands, but no one exercises the authority of a god given position without God.

# Blessed is a Father

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Fatherhood was blessed and created by God;

**Fatherhood is created by God:** <sup>1Corinthians11:3-4</sup> *But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God.*

**Our priesthood is created by God:** <sup>1Peter2.9</sup> *But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

**Our job is created by God:** <sup>Ex36.1</sup> *Bezalel and Oholiab and every craftsman in whom the LORD has put skill and intelligence to know how to do any work in the construction of the sanctuary shall work in accordance with all that the LORD has commanded.*

**Our wife is given to us by God:** <sup>Proverbs19:14</sup> *House and wealth are inherited from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the LORD.*

**Our children are a blessing from God:** <sup>Psalms127:3</sup> *Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward.*

## By God we will succeed.

Psalm 112:1-9 *Blessed is the man who fears the LORD*

- *His offspring will be mighty the generation of the upright will be blessed*
- *Wealth and riches are in his house*
- *His righteousness endures forever*
- *It is well with the man who deals generously*
- *He will be remembered forever*
- *He is not afraid of bad news*
- *His heart is firm*
- *His heart is steady*
- *He will not be afraid*
- *His horn is exalted in honor*

Ps 112:1 *Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments!* Ps 112:2 *His offspring will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.* Ps 112:3 *Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever.* Ps 112:4 *Light dawns in the darkness for the upright; he is gracious, merciful, and righteous.* Ps 112:5 *It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice.* Ps 112:6 *For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered forever.* Ps 112:7 *He is not afraid of bad news; his heart is firm, trusting in the LORD.* Ps 112:8 *His heart is steady; he will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries.* Ps 112:9 *He has distributed freely; he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever; his horn is exalted in honor.*

# Peace for Fathers and Children

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**Deut12.28** *Be careful to obey all these words that I command you, that it may go well with you and with your children after you forever, when you do what is good and right in the sight of the LORD your God.*

Children's welfare depends upon a father's obedience to God's requirements. There is a common theme throughout the Bible; when the rulers of the people are faithful the country prospers, and when fathers are faithful, families prosper. Prosper does not always mean material wealth, but it does mean peace. This peace is reflected in the overall quiet enjoyment and provisioning for life of safety, food, housing, care, and love.

After turning to God, what is the next step a father must take in order to bring peace between himself and his children? Anger is the opposite of peace and it leads to poor decisions that result in brokenness.

**Psalm37.8** *Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath! Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.*

It is important to acknowledge the validity of righteous anger (Ps. 4:4; Ps 139:19–24; Matt. 21:12–19; Matt 23:17; Mark 3:1–5; Eph. 4:26–27). Anger is a valid human emotion, especially when it is felt because of some offense against God. Offenses against oneself and others can be valid causes for anger. In all cases, the anger must be short-lived, or it will turn into harmful and sinful bitterness (Ps. 4:4; Eph. 4:26–27). So we must present our hearts continually to God, so he can examine us and show us what is accurate and what is inaccurate in our perspectives (Ps. 139:23–24).<sup>iii</sup>

What are a father’s limits in demonstrating his displeasure or anger? For there are times when correction is important, but love is just as important.

**Col3.21** *Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.*

This verse tells us how to handle righteous anger and its limits:

**Eph4.25** *Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger,<sup>27</sup> and **give no opportunity to the devil.***

This is the one sweet answer that has served me well as I’ve grown older. We are all human and we are all subject to anger, but we can and must find a dear and sweet way to find peace for ourselves and our children.

Going to bed in anger gives an opportunity to the devil; do not let this happen. In fact this is a helpful picture that will encourage you not to go to bed in angry pride. If you will picture the devil entering your house and roaming around in the night, you will have no trouble making peace before going to bed.

What is the “opportunity” that the Devil takes advantage of? When you are angry with others and they are angry with you there is an emotional distance that comes between the two of you. The longer the anger remains, the more you grow apart, and it becomes harder to renew the friendship. This is true whether it is between family members or friends.

Here is God speaking in human terms:

**Isa54.8** *In overflowing anger **for a moment** I hid my face from you, but **with everlasting love** I will have compassion on you, ” says the LORD, your Redeemer. In God’s righteous anger, how long was He angry? It was only “for a moment”. How did God return the peace? It was “with everlasting love”.*

The Devil does not come into your house and knock over your furniture and break up your dishes. He knocks over your peace and breaks up your relationship with your family and loved ones.

# Peace for Fathers and a Wife

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The whole of the Old Testament narrative is told through God as a husband to Israel. The whole of the New Testament narrative is told through Jesus Christ as the bridegroom of the Church. The history of the world and the redemption story in the Bible is based upon a husband and wife narrative.

God chose to reveal himself through the Bible, and He chose to do so in a way that emphasizes marriage and fathers. This gives us a sweeter and purer understanding of these verses.

**Gen2.24** *Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.*

**Prov19.14** *House and wealth are inherited from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the LORD.*

**Eph5.25** *Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her...*

The Bible tells us that the relationship of a husband and wife is seen in Heaven as a “*profound mystery*”. It then goes on to tell us that the relationship “*refers to Christ and the Church*”.

**Eph5.32** *This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.*

This reinforces the fact that God’s entire love story is a marriage love story, told by a Heavenly Father through an earthly father and mother. This relationship is so powerful that when the peace of the relationship is harmed in even the slightest way; the husband’s path to God through prayer is harmed.

**1Peter3.7** *Likewise, husbands, live with your wives in an understanding way, showing honor to the woman as the weaker vessel, since they are heirs with you of the grace of life, so **that your prayers may not be hindered.***

A husband’s prayer is going to be hindered by not dwelling with his wife in an understanding and knowledgeable way, knowing what her needs and wants are; and, by failing to honor her as he should. Any lack of love for the wife will be a hindrance to prayer. Each marriage is a reflection of God’s faithful and sacrificial love...it must be maintained. This is why the mystery of marriage is so profound.



Peace between a husband and a wife is the fathers responsibility because the command to live in an understanding and loving way is given to the father. All prayers for our children, mercy for our family, and the good fruit of life depend upon this very thing.

Who will stop the tears sown in anger, which will heal all that hurt in a family? A father has this authority and this power. How does a father achieve everything that is dear to his heart: <sup>Job22.21</sup> *Agree with God, and be at peace; thereby good will come to you.*

Fathers, this is a wonderful and all powerful position that God has placed us in. No other can do it. We can walk away, but it does not go away. What do we need to do? God gave Job the answer:

<sup>Job38.3a</sup> *Dress for action like a man.*

God has told His story of redemption as a Father and husband, and He wants us as a father and husband to live it out in our lives redeeming our families. We need to “dress for action”, our wives need us and our children need us more than ever...all that we do must be sown in peace for God is a God of peace. <sup>James3.17</sup> *But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere.* <sup>18</sup> ***And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.***

# Peace for a Father at Work

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## How shall we work and how long shall we work?

Gen3.19 *By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread, till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return.*”

After the fall, God sent Adam out of the Garden of Eden to toil and that toil is by the “*sweat of our face*”. How long will we toil; “*till you return to the ground*”. God does not have a retirement plan. Planning for retirement is certainly a responsibility, and by God’s grace and mercy we will be cared for.

The Psalmist makes his plea: <sup>Psalm71.9</sup> *Do not cast me off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength is spent.*

God answers; <sup>Isa46.4</sup> *even to your old age I am he, and to gray hairs I will carry you. I have made, and I will bear; I will carry and will save.*

**Why are we working so hard?** In fact, God created the earth to be worked.

**Gen2.5** *When no bush of the field was yet in the land and no small plant of the field had yet sprung up—for the LORD God had not caused it to rain on the land, and there was no man to work the ground...*

One of the things that we find when we look into space is that there is no other planet where a crop can be worked... work is a blessing and it should be looked upon as such; when we do, we will find peace at work.

**Who gives us our skills and our job?** It is God that gives us the skills that we use in work.

**Ex36.1** *Bezalel and Oholiab and every craftsman in whom the LORD has put skill and intelligence to know how to do any work in the construction of the sanctuary shall work in accordance with all that the LORD has commanded.*

**Who pays us?** It is God that pays us.

**Job34.11** *For according to the work of a man he will repay him, and according to his ways he will make it befall him.*

**How long is the work day?** <sup>Psalms104.23</sup> *Man goes out to his work and to his labor until the evening.*

**How should we see our jobs?** <sup>Prov16.3</sup> *Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established.*

Every job is a job unto the Lord. <sup>Ecclesiastes3:12–13</sup> *I perceived that there is nothing better for them than to be joyful and to do good as long as they live; <sup>13</sup> also that everyone should eat and drink and **take pleasure in all his toil—this is God’s gift to man.** Every job is a gift of God.*

**We work to provide and share?** Work is ordained by God and man is to share with anyone in need...sharing is ordained by God, welfare by government is not.

<sup>Eph4.28</sup> *Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, **doing honest work** with his own hands, so that he may have something **to share** with anyone in need.*

**How does God count the father that does not provide for his family?** <sup>1Tim5.8</sup> *But if anyone does not provide for his relatives, and especially for members of his household, he has denied the faith and is **worse than an unbeliever.** Not many people know that God sees one that will not care for his family and relatives as “worse than an unbeliever”.*

Here are some closing instructions for men from the Apostle Paul.

<sup>1</sup>Thess5.13b ***Be at peace among yourselves.*** <sup>14</sup> *And we urge you, brothers, **admonish the idle, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient** with them all.*

Should any man need help in performing this duty, God has promised us wisdom abundantly.

**James 1:5** *If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.*

# Loss of Peace

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What is at stake...the life of our children? There is a real war going on. The spiritual battlefield is just as deadly as a real world battlefield. Every child that partakes of drugs is a wounded warrior, every child that engages in premarital sex is a wounded warrior, and the list goes on. Children of families of faith are walking away from the church and their Christian faith after they leave home at the rate of 7 out of 10. This is 7 out of 10 children of believing families; this statistic does not include nonbelieving teens in nonbelieving families.

“Today, children who live in single-parent homes have increased 300 percent. But even when both parents are physically present, the father, and sometimes the mother as well are often spiritually and psychologically absent. This coupled with other factors have had devastating results on the family.”

- Since 1963, violent crime has increased over 500 percent.
- Illegitimate births have increased 400 percent.
- Divorces have increased 400 percent.

- Children living in single-parent homes have increased 300 percent.
- Teenage suicide has increased 200 percent.
- S.A.T. scores have dropped almost 80 points, despite huge increases in support for education. (J. Hampton Keathley, III)

“There can be no religious neutrality in a home because neutrality about God is itself a form of religion--an anti-God religion. If neutrality is the attitude of parents it will become the religion of their children.” (JHKIII)

“Most thoughtful parents, by contrast, want their children to know about God and moral living. But somehow in the hustle and bustle of life, they never get a chance to take stock of where such training will come from. They think if they send them to Sunday School that will do it, but that involves only one hour out of 168 hours in a week. But there is a place that has a great deal more impact than any other in society due to the dynamics involved. Where is that place? **It's the home--the place where life makes up its mind.**” (JHKIII)

It is a time to reflect on how the state of fathers and families stand. Unless we understand the battlefield, and it is a battlefield with real casualties, we will not grasp the urgency.

For forty chapters our old friend Job wanted to plead his case before God, and when God showed up out of the whirlwind He asked Job questions that helped Job understand the almighty God of Heaven. Job's reaction was to say that he would speak no more and he placed his hand over his mouth. The very next words that God spoke to Job are spoken to every man. <sup>Job40.7a</sup> *Dress for action like a man...*

God commands all men to dress for action. Raising families is not a passive undertaking. God knows that it is a battle. A part of that uniform is tears; every man will shed tears for his children. Will it be after they are lost or will it be on our knees to God for their life? God knew that tears would be a part of our uniform and provided for our reward. <sup>Psalms126.5</sup> *Those who sow in tears shall reap with shouts of joy!*

Peace has no part of destruction: <sup>Job5.3</sup> *I have seen the fool taking root, but suddenly **I cursed his dwelling.***  
<sup>4</sup>***His children are far from safety; they are crushed in the gate, and there is no one to deliver them.***

The peace of God is not an option or suggestion. We must dress for action and pursue this peace. <sup>Phil4.7</sup> ***And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.***



When we do: **Job5.19** *He will deliver you from six troubles; in seven no evil shall touch you.* <sup>20</sup> *In famine he will redeem you from death, and in war from the power of the sword.* <sup>21</sup> *You shall be hidden from the lash of the tongue, and shall not fear destruction when it comes.* <sup>22</sup> *At destruction and famine you shall laugh, and shall not fear the beasts of the earth.* <sup>23</sup> *For you shall be in league with the stones of the field, and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with you.* <sup>24</sup> ***You shall know that your tent is at peace, and you shall inspect your fold and miss nothing.***

Verse 24 holds a precious promise; as fathers we shall look and find none of our children lost. This is true peace, and a peace worth dressing up like a man for.

# Peace and Prayer

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A sociologist, Richard Dugdale in 1874 did a study of two men...one a man of God and one a career criminal and atheist. Since then many have tried to rewrite the book or find flaws in the study and they have only been able to find errors at the margin, but none have been able to refute the fundamental issues of the study. The man of God saw his children prosper and the atheist saw his children live in great failure. Here is an outline of each family's life.

## **Jonathan Edwards vs. Max Jukes: (study of the legacies of two men)**

### A Brief Family History of Max Jukes

Max Jukes was an atheist who lived in New York

- 7 were murderers
- 60 became thieves
- 67 reported having syphilis
- 100 were alcoholics
- 50% of the women in his family line became prostitutes
- 300 died prematurely
- Over 200 lived on relief

## The Family History of Jonathan Edwards

A pastor in New York

- 300 were preachers
- 295 were college graduates
- 100 were missionaries
- 100 were lawyers
- 80 held public office including 1 Vice President of the United States (Aaron Burr), 13 U.S. senators, 1 state governor, 3 big city mayors and 1 U.S. comptroller
- 75 military officers
- 65 college professors including 13 college presidents
- 56 physicians including 1 Dean of Medical School

Of the two legacies presented above which would you rather leave? Why was Jonathan Edwards able to pass on such an incredible legacy? He was a man of prayer!

Few know that although Jonathan Edwards, a pastor, was an incredibly busy man, he was also a very devoted husband and father. Edwards spent at least one hour per day praying for and speaking blessing over each of his eleven children. Because of his commitment to pray for his children on a daily basis God blessed not only them but his entire generational line!

There is a Heavenly connection between peace and prayer.

# A Great Calm

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When Jesus entered Jerusalem, he knew had the Jewish people accepted Him as the Christ; peace and salvation would have been theirs. This is how Jesus sees each man today.

## **Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem**

**Luke19.41** *And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup> saying, “**Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.***

Jesus points out the principal that when fathers are obedient to the word of God, it not only goes well for the father it also goes well for the children. As fathers worried about our children’s future, the only thing we can do is turn to the Lord. **Luke19.43** *For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side <sup>44</sup> and tear you down to the ground, **you and your children within you.** And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”*

The triumphal entry into Jerusalem demonstrates that those that receive the Lord receive peace. <sup>Luke19.37</sup> *As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”*

When Jesus speaks peace, there is peace and the result is a great calm. <sup>Mark4.39</sup> *And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “Peace! Be still!” And the wind ceased, **and there was a great calm.***

<sup>Luke2.14</sup> **Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased...**

# Make Peace with Me

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Peace through reconciliation is a central doctrine of Christianity. In making “peace with God”, we are exchanging our rebellion for peaceful relations. For our statement of faith, Christ takes upon himself our sins thereby reconciling us to God. <sup>Ro 5:1</sup> *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ.* <sup>Col 1:21</sup> *And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds,* <sup>Col 1:22</sup> *he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, **in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach** before him...*

Having done so, we rejoice: <sup>Ro 5:11</sup> *More than that, we **also rejoice** in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom **we have now received reconciliation.***

What is a Christian expected to do with this new peace that causes us to rejoice? We are to walk peacefully with God through obedience and therefore receive the “peace of God”. <sup>Php 4:7</sup> *And the **peace of God**, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

The Apostle Paul starts each of his letters with “peace from God”. <sup>2 Th 1:2</sup> *Grace to you and **peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*** This peace is very important as it relates to God’s care; it is also important as it relates to the care of those that we love and are called to care for. We are called to reconcile by exchanging anger and animosity for peaceful relations. Each Christian has a Heavenly duty to God to do as He has done, forgive and reconcile.

<sup>2 Co 5:18</sup> *All this is from God, who through **Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;*** <sup>2 Co 5:19</sup> *that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, **not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.*** <sup>2 Co 5:20</sup> *Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.* <sup>2 Co 5:21</sup> *For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*

Our life as a Christian is a “**ministry of reconciliation**”; “**not counting their trespasses against them**”. We are also to forgive and pursue peace. We are **entrusted with the message of reconciliation.**



By making peace “**with God**” and making peace with others we have the “**peace of God**”, thereby receiving God’s protection which is “**peace from God**”, and this is the peace which surpasses all understanding.

God calls from Heaven; *Is 27:5 let them lay hold of my protection, let them make peace with me, let them make peace with me.*”

**Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. AMEN**

I have included every use of the word “peace” in the (ESV) version of the Bible that is in the New Testament and in Job, Psalms, and Proverbs in the Old Testament. The verses give a wonderful insight into what a life in peace requires, and the real meaning of “*the peace with God*”, and *the peace of God*”.

**Should you be blessed by this book, email me at ([fhmyers@msn.com](mailto:fhmyers@msn.com)), or ([forthefathers@gmail.com](mailto:forthefathers@gmail.com)). I will include the story of your journey of peace on my website. Others can be encouraged by your pursuit of God’s peace. The pursuit of peace is a mutual Christian journey.**

# Verses of Peace

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New Testament

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English Standard Version

[Matt 10:13](#) And if the house is worthy, let your [peace](#) come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your [peace](#) return to you.

[Matt 10:34](#) “Do not think that I have come to bring [peace](#) to the earth. I have not come to bring [peace](#), but a sword.

[Mark 4:39](#) And he awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, “[Peace!](#) Be still!” And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.

[Mark 5:34](#) And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in [peace](#), and be healed of your disease.”

[Mark 9:50](#) Salt is good, but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you make it salty again? Have salt in yourselves, and be at [peace](#) with one another.”

- [Luke 1:79](#) to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of [peace](#).”
- [Luke 2:14](#) “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth [peace](#) among those with whom he is pleased!”
- [Luke 2:29](#) “Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in [peace](#), according to your word;
- [Luke 7:50](#) And he said to the woman, “Your faith has saved you; go in [peace](#).”
- [Luke 8:48](#) And he said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in [peace](#).”
- [Luke 10:5](#) Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘[Peace](#) be to this house!’
- [Luke 10:6](#) And if a son of [peace](#) is there, your [peace](#) will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you.
- [Luke 12:51](#) Do you think that I have come to give [peace](#) on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division.
- [Luke 14:32](#) And if not, while the other is yet a great way off, he sends a delegation and asks for terms of [peace](#).

[Luke 19:38](#) saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! [Peace](#) in heaven and glory in the highest!”

[Luke 19:42](#) saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for [peace](#)! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

[Luke 24:36](#) As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “[Peace](#) to you!”

[John 14:27](#) [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 16:33](#) 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 20:19](#) On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “[Peace](#) be with you.”

[John 20:21](#) Jesus said to them again, “[Peace](#) be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.”

[John 20:26](#) Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “[Peace](#) be with you.”

[Acts 9:31](#) So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had [peace](#) and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

[Acts 10:36](#) As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of [peace](#) through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all),

[Acts 12:20](#) Now Herod was angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon, and they came to him with one accord, and having persuaded Blastus, the king’s chamberlain, they asked for [peace](#), because their country depended on the king’s country for food.

[Acts 15:33](#) And after they had spent some time, they were sent off in [peace](#) by the brothers to those who had sent them.

[Acts 16:36](#) And the jailer reported these words to Paul, saying, “The magistrates have sent to let you go. Therefore come out now and go in [peace](#).”

- [Acts 24:2](#) And when he had been summoned, Tertullus began to accuse him, saying: “Since through you we enjoy much [peace](#), and since by your foresight, most excellent Felix, reforms are being made for this nation,
- [Rom 1:7](#) To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- [Rom 2:10](#) but glory and honor and [peace](#) for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek.
- [Rom 3:17](#) and the way of [peace](#) they have not known.”
- [Rom 5:1](#) Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have [peace](#) with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
- [Rom 8:6](#) For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and [peace](#).
- [Rom 14:17](#) For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and [peace](#) and joy in the Holy Spirit.
- [Rom 14:19](#) So then let us pursue what makes for [peace](#) and for mutual upbuilding.

[Rom 15:13](#) May the God of hope fill you with all joy and [peace](#) in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

[Rom 15:33](#) May the God of [peace](#) be with you all. Amen.

[Rom 16:20](#) The God of [peace](#) will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

[1 Cor 1:3](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[1 Cor 7:15](#) But if the unbelieving partner separates, let it be so. In such cases the brother or sister is not enslaved. God has called you to [peace](#).

[1 Cor 14:33](#) For God is not a God of confusion but of [peace](#). As in all the churches of the saints,

[1 Cor 16:11](#) So let no one despise him. Help him on his way in [peace](#), that he may return to me, for I am expecting him with the brothers.

[2 Cor 1:2](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[2 Cor 13:11](#) Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in [peace](#); and the God of love and [peace](#) will be with you.

[Gal 1:3](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ,

[Gal 5:22](#) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, [peace](#), patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

[Gal 6:16](#) And as for all who walk by this rule, [peace](#) and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.

[Eph 1:2](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[Eph 2:14](#) For he himself is our [peace](#), who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility

[Eph 2:15](#) by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making [peace](#),

[Eph 2:17](#) And he came and preached [peace](#) to you who were far off and [peace](#) to those who were near.

[Eph 4:3](#) eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of [peace](#).

[Eph 6:15](#) and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of [peace](#).



[Eph 6:23](#) [Peace](#) be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[Phil 1:2](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[Phil 4:7](#) And the [peace](#) of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

[Phil 4:9](#) What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of [peace](#) will be with you.

[Col 1:2](#) To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father.

[Col 1:20](#) and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making [peace](#) by the blood of his cross.

[Col 3:15](#) And let the [peace](#) of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.

[1 Thess 1:1](#) Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and [peace](#).

[1 Thess 5:3](#) While people are saying, “There is [peace](#) and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

[1 Thess 5:13](#) and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at [peace](#) among yourselves.

[1 Thess 5:23](#) Now may the God of [peace](#) himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

[2 Thess 1:2](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[2 Thess 3:16](#) Now may the Lord of [peace](#) himself give you [peace](#) at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

[1 Tim 1:2](#) To Timothy, my true child in the faith: Grace, mercy, and [peace](#) from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

[2 Tim 1:2](#) To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and [peace](#) from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

[2 Tim 2:22](#) So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and [peace](#), along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart.

[Titus 1:4](#) To Titus, my true child in a common faith: Grace and [peace](#) from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

[Philem 3](#) Grace to you and [peace](#) from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[Heb 7:2](#) and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of [peace](#).

[Heb 12:14](#) Strive for [peace](#) with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

[Heb 13:20](#) Now may the God of [peace](#) who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

[James 2:16](#) and one of you says to them, “Go in [peace](#), be warmed and filled,” without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

[James 3:18](#) And a harvest of righteousness is sown in [peace](#) by those who make [peace](#).

[1 Pet 1:2](#) according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and [peace](#) be multiplied to you.

[1 Pet 3:11](#) let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek [peace](#) and pursue it.

[1 Pet 5:14](#) Greet one another with the kiss of love. [Peace](#) to all of you who are in Christ.

[2 Pet 1:2](#) May grace and [peace](#) be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

[2 Pet 3:14](#) Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at [peace](#).

[2 John 3](#) Grace, mercy, and [peace](#) will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love.

[3 John 15](#) [Peace](#) be to you. The friends greet you. Greet the friends, each by name.

[Jude 2](#) May mercy, [peace](#), and love be multiplied to you.

Rev 1:4 John to the seven churches that are in Asia:  
Grace to you and peace from him who is and  
who was and who is to come, and from the  
seven spirits who are before his throne,

Rev 6:4 And out came another horse, bright red. Its  
rider was permitted to take peace from the  
earth, so that people should slay one another,  
and he was given a great sword.

## Peace (Old Testament, Wisdom Books Job, Psalms, and Proverbs)

[Job 5:23](#) For you shall be in league with the stones of the field, and the beasts of the field shall be at [peace](#) with you.

[Job 5:24](#) You shall know that your tent is at [peace](#), and you shall inspect your fold and miss nothing.

[Job 12:6](#) The tents of robbers are at [peace](#), and those who provoke God are secure, who bring their god in their hand.

[Job 21:13](#) They spend their days in prosperity, and in [peace](#) they go down to Sheol.

[Job 22:21](#) “Agree with God, and be at [peace](#); thereby good will come to you.

[Job 25:2](#) “Dominion and fear are with God; he makes [peace](#) in his high heaven.

[Ps 4:8](#) In [peace](#) I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

[Ps 28:3](#) Do not drag me off with the wicked, with the workers of evil, who speak [peace](#) with their neighbors while evil is in their hearts.

[Ps 29:11](#) May the LORD give strength to his people! May the LORD bless his people with [peace](#)!

[Ps 34:14](#) Turn away from evil and do good; seek [peace](#) and pursue it.

[Ps 35:20](#) For they do not speak [peace](#), but against those who are quiet in the land they devise words of deceit.

[Ps 37:11](#) But the meek shall inherit the land and delight themselves in abundant [peace](#).

[Ps 37:37](#) Mark the blameless and behold the upright, for there is a future for the man of [peace](#).

[Ps 39:2](#) I was mute and silent; I held my [peace](#) to no avail, and my distress grew worse.

[Ps 39:12](#) “Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your [peace](#) at my tears! For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.

[Ps 69:22](#) Let their own table before them become a snare; and when they are at [peace](#), let it become a trap.

[Ps 72:7](#) In his days may the righteous flourish, and [peace](#) abound, till the moon be no more!

[Ps 83:1](#) O God, do not keep silence; do not hold your [peace](#) or be still, O God!

[Ps 85:8](#) Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak [peace](#) to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

[Ps 85:10](#) Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and [peace](#) kiss each other.

[Ps 119:165](#) Great [peace](#) have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.

[Ps 120:6](#) Too long have I had my dwelling among those who hate [peace](#).

[Ps 120:7](#) I am for [peace](#), but when I speak, they are for war!

[Ps 122:6](#) Pray for the [peace](#) of Jerusalem! “May they be secure who love you!

[Ps 122:7](#) [Peace](#) be within your walls and security within your towers!”

[Ps 122:8](#) For my brothers and companions’ sake I will say, “[Peace](#) be within you!”

[Ps 125:5](#) But those who turn aside to their crooked ways the LORD will lead away with evildoers! [Peace](#) be upon Israel!

[Ps 128:6](#) May you see your children’s children! [Peace](#) be upon Israel!



[Ps 147:14](#) He makes [peace](#) in your borders; he fills you with the finest of the wheat.

[Prov 3:2](#) for length of days and years of life and [peace](#) they will add to you.

[Prov 3:17](#) Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are [peace](#).

[Prov 12:20](#) Deceit is in the heart of those who devise evil, but those who plan [peace](#) have joy.

[Prov 16:7](#) When a man's ways please the LORD, he makes even his enemies to be at [peace](#) with him.

# Further Peace Studies

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## **PEACE.**

**Exemplified:** By Abraham, Gen. 13:8, 9; Abimelech, Gen. 26:29; Mordecai, Esth. 10:3; David, Psa. 120:7. See **CHARITABLENESS; NATION, PEACE OF.**

**Social:** Gen. 45:24; Lev. 26:6; Job 5:23, 24; Psa. 34:14 1 Pet. 3:11. Psa. 120:6, 7; Psa. 133:1; Prov. 12:20; Prov. 15:17; Prov. 16:7; Prov. 17:1, 14; Prov. 20:3; Eccl. 4:6; Isa. 2:4; Isa. 45:7; Jer. 29:7; Hos. 2:18; Zech. 8:19; Matt. 5:9; Matt. 10:21, 22, 34–36; Mark 9:50; Luke 2:14; Acts 7:26–29; Acts 17:7–9; Rom. 12:18; Rom. 14:19; 1 Cor. 14:33; 2 Cor. 13:11; Eph. 4:3; 1 Thess. 5:13; 1 Tim. 2:2; 2 Tim. 2:22; Heb. 12:14; Jas. 3:17, 18; 1 Pet. 3:10, 11

**Spiritual:** Job 22:21, 26; Job 34:29; Psa. 1:1, 2; Psa. 4:8; Psa. 17:15; Psa. 25:12, 13; Psa. 29:11; Psa. 37:4, 11, 37; Psa. 73:25, 26; Psa. 85:8; Psa. 119:165; Psa. 125:1, 5; Prov. 3:17, 24 vs. 13–18.; Prov. 14:14; Isa. 9:6; Isa. 11:6–9, 13; Isa. 12:1, 2; Isa. 25:7, 8; Isa. 26:3, 12; Isa. 27:5; Isa. 28:12; Isa. 30:26; Isa. 32:2, 17, 18; Isa. 48:18; Isa. 53:5; Isa. 54:1, 10, 13; Isa. 55:2, 12; Isa. 57:1, 2, 19; Isa. 60:20; Jer. 33:6; Ezek. 34:25; Hag. 2:9; Mal. 2:5; Luke 1:79; Luke 2:14, 29; John 7:38; John 14:27; John 16:33; John 20:19; Acts 10:36; Rom. 2:10; Rom. 5:1; Rom. 8:6; Rom. 10:15; Rom. 14:17; Rom. 15:13, 33; Gal. 1:3 1 Cor. 1:3; 2 Cor. 1:2; 1 Thess. 1:1; 1 Tim. 1:2; 2 Tim. 1:2; Tit. 1:4; Philem. 3; Rev. 1:4. Gal. 5:22; Eph. 2:14–17; Phil. 4:7, 9; Col. 1:20; Col. 3:15; 2 Thess. 3:16 See **CHARITABLENESS; JOY; PRAISE.**<sup>iv</sup>

# Footnotes

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# About the Author

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## **Fred Myers - Founder and Director of For The Father's Ministry**

For The Fathers Ministry was created by Fred Myers to teach the Bible and to make disciples in Christ in order to move believers from milk to meat so that they may also teach and make disciples. Making disciples is a command of Christ, therefore each of us that commit ourselves to the call, Christ will enable.

Fred was born on a dairy farm in northern Virginia. After high school, he entered the Army. Fred was selected for the Special Forces and entered the School of Special Warfare at the JFK Warfare Center in Fort Bragg, NC. Fred graduated as a Green Beret Medic.

Fred served a tour in Vietnam and was awarded two Bronze Stars with oak leaf cluster for valor and the Combat Medics Badge. After three years in the Army, Fred went to college on the GI Bill and graduated from George Washington University with a BA in Finance.

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While in college, Fred started a commercial real estate business that he ran for 32 years. Fred obtained a Certified Property Managers designation (CPM), a Certified Hotel Managers designation (CHA), and his company was an Accredited Management Organization (AMO).

After his last property was sold, Fred authored "The Entrepreneur's Guide" consisting of 8 books and 3 CD's.

This is a non-denominational ministry calling the believer to knowledge and the unbeliever to salvation by offering a safe place to consider the claims of Christ in the Bible. Fred is especially calling men in the hope that their whole family can enter Heaven together.

“For The Fathers Ministry” teaches the Bible to all that will listen; men, women, and children with an emphasis on men's ministry.

This is a non-profit ministry that seeks to heal and strengthen men by the power of God's Word. To heal and strengthen a man is to heal and strengthen his whole family. The statistics show that a man holds sway over approximately 36 souls. These are his immediate family, his extended family, and his friends and associates. For every man that receives the Gospel, his walk in Christ will reach and be seen by many.

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“For The Fathers” speaks about and teaches the Bible, for the mission is to seek unbelievers as well as believers that have questions about the claims of the Bible. Calling all to turn and receive the forgiveness and glory that awaits those that are in Christ.