

*"Peace, I leave with you;
My peace I give to you;
not as the world gives do I give
to you.
Do not let your heart be
troubled, nor let it be fearful."
John 14:27*

Modern society tends to define "peace" as avoiding conflict and conforming to others' standards, which contrasts with the biblical concept. Biblically, peace is not just about lack of conflict but also represents a more positive state.

Biblical peace, referred to as *šālôm* (Shalom) in the Old Testament, indicates completeness, soundness, and well-being, frequently associated with righteousness. To bring shalom, or peace, is to restore wholeness or mend that which is broken.

The New Testament refers to Jesus as the Prince of Peace, whose birth signifies peace and restoration. Jesus came to restore the broken world by reuniting Heaven and Earth and calls Christians to promote peace and healing.

Biblical peace doesn't just mean living a simple or trouble-free life; it's about experiencing God's presence in every circumstance and responding as Christ would. Because Jesus is our Peace and shares His peace with us, living biblically means living in Christ, modelling His character, and sharing Him with others. To be a biblical peacekeeper, we need to stay connected to Christ, keep Him at the heart of our conversations and beliefs, and make sure our actions reflect His Spirit.

Where do you see the world being made whole today?

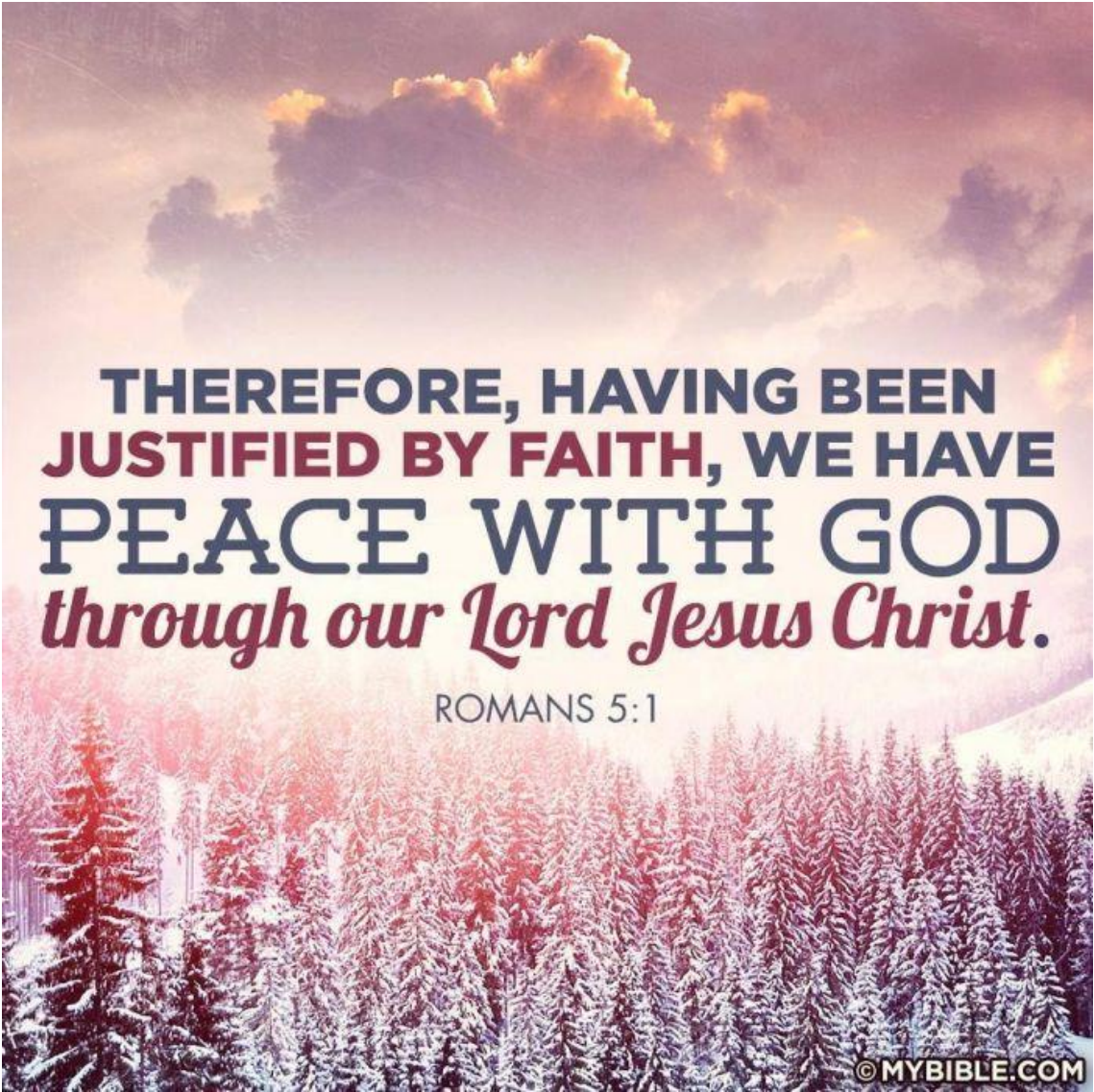
Lord, I am thankful you are the giver of peace in times when my heart is weary and needs refuge. I often find myself facing situations that leave me feeling rocked and unsure which direction to take or decision to make. Knowing you are right by my side to speak truth and wisdom, brings peace to my soul.

Father, when I feel the waves of frustration and anxiety well up and the cares of the day threaten to overwhelm me, help me to seek your face and your word to bring peace to my heart and mind.

Jesus, when I am afraid of the circumstances I am facing and I don't know where to turn, help me to seek you instead of trying to find peace in the things of the world around me. Give me peace that is beyond my understanding and calm my anxious heart.

In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.


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**THEREFORE, HAVING BEEN
JUSTIFIED BY FAITH, WE HAVE
PEACE WITH GOD**
through our Lord Jesus Christ.

ROMANS 5:1

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Eph 2:14 For He
Himself is our
peace, who made
both groups into
one and broke
down the barrier
of the dividing
wall,

Let us therefore make every effort to do what
leads to peace and to mutual edification.

- Romans 14:19 -

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Finally, brothers and sisters, rejoice!
Strive for full restoration, encourage
one another, be of one mind, live in peace.
And the God of love and peace will be with you.

2 Corinthians 13:11



**And the peace of God, which transcends
all understanding, will guard your
hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

- Philippians 4:7 -



For
unto us

a Child is Born

and his name

Shall be called

Wonderful Counsellor

THE MIGHTY GOD

The everlasting father

THE PRINCE OF PEACE

ISAIAH 9:6



VERSE
OF THE DAY

FOR GOD WAS PLEASED
TO HAVE ALL HIS FULLNESS
DWELL IN HIM, AND THROUGH
HIM TO RECONCILE TO
HIMSELF ALL THINGS.
WHETHER THINGS ON EARTH
OR THINGS IN HEAVEN
BY MAKING PEACE
THROUGH HIS BLOOD,
SHED ON THE CROSS.

COLOSSIANS 1: 19-20

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Make every effort to live in peace
with everyone and to be holy;
without holiness no one will see the Lord.

Hebrews 12:14

