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“Promises” (4)

“... [God.] 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.” (2 Peter 1:4)

Promise of Peace

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.”

<p>Key Point: The Desire for Peace is Only Fulfilled through the Prince of Peace</p>

Personal Peace Today

Ephesians 2:13-14 – (13) **“But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. (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”

World Peace Coming

Isaiah 9:6-7 – (6) **“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. (7) Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end...”**

Isaiah 11:6-9 – (6) **“The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. (7) The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. (8) The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. (9) They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.”**

Procuring the Peace of God:

(1) Believe in Jesus for Salvation

Psalm 2:12 – “Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take refuge in him.”

(2) “Ask and it shall be given”

Philippians 4:6-7 – (6) “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. (7) And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

(3) Respond to God’s Word

2 Chronicles 15:3-8 – (3) “For a long time Israel was without the true God, and without a teaching priest and without law, (4) but when in their distress they turned to the LORD, the God of Israel, and sought him, he was found by them. (5) In those times there was no peace to him who went out or to him who came in, for great disturbances afflicted all the inhabitants of the lands. (6) They were broken in pieces. Nation was crushed by nation and city by city, for God troubled them with every sort of distress. (7) But you, take courage! Do not let your hands be weak, for your work shall be rewarded.’ (8) As soon as Asa heard these words, the prophecy of Azariah the son of Oded, he took courage and put away the detestable idols from all the land of Judah and Benjamin and from the cities that he had taken in the hill country of Ephraim, and he repaired the altar of the LORD that was in front of the vestibule of the house of the LORD.”

Questions:

What impacted me the most in this message?

Am I experiencing the peace of God? (Rom. 8:6)

Do I bring God’s peace into my sphere of influence? (Matt. 10:13; James 3:17-18)

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)