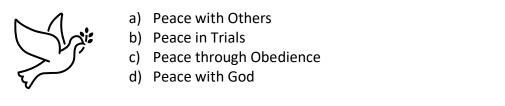


Handout September 27, 2024 PEACE WITH GOD – Part 2 Peace In Trials

Welcome back and here we go!

Tonight, we continue in our four-part series on PEACE WITH GOD.



1. To have peace with ______ you must have peace with ______!

Some people say I "have the cart before the horse" --- that peace with God will bring peace with people. I don't agree.

Romans 5:1-5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³ And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; ⁴ and perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

2. Justified by ______, we have ______.

If we have this absolute faith in God and His plan for our lives, the Word of God indicates we can have peace in trials --- that they actually build our character.

====== How many have trials right now and are having trouble finding peace? =======

Isaiah 43:1-2 ¹But now, thus says the Lord, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you.

3. God is ______ in the trials!

FAITH-REST: "Knowing the promises of God and applying them to your life."

What has God said to you?

Let me guess. He has said:

- Your problem is too big.
- I too busy. It's your fault.
- I don't know what to do.
- You caught me off guard.

You know it's not the trial, circumstance, problem issue......

4. It really is "what do you ______ about _____."

We can have peace in all trials if we are in a right relationship with God.

God has said He will not abandon you. He has also said <u>He understands you</u>. He has also said <u>everything works for our good</u>.....

Philippians 4:6-7 ⁶ Be anxious for nothing, 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 minds through Christ Jesus.

5. Be ______ for ______.

===== How many are praying for peace in Israel? How many worry about the future? =====

God is always present.

Isaiah 66:5-12

Israel at war. Here is the promise, prophecy of peace in Jerusalem.

It is also a promise of peace to you.

6. Peace like a ______.

Nothing stops a river. No rock. No bridge. No nothing, except a dam. No problem --- trial ----- mistake ----- only things from Him can cause a dam.

This constant presence of God can give you a sense of His constant peace. He is aware of your trials. Yet He is not panicking.

- Picture your problem. Is it too big for God?
- Imagine a source of pulsating power, emanating towards you. Like a pull from a river.

Isaiah 66:12-13 ¹²For thus says the Lord: "Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, And the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream. Then you shall feed; On her sides shall you be carried, And be dandled on her knees. ¹³ As one whom his mother comforts, So I will comfort you; And you shall be comforted in Jerusalem."



- a) Let's make peace in our hearts with people.
- b) Let's have faith in God's solutions.
- c) Let's thank God for our problems.



- d) Let's ask God to give us all of it.
- e) Let's thank God, accept, and receive peace.

