

## Choose Peace

**Ephesians 2:11-22** 

Sunday, December 6, 2020

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Question of the Day: If you could choose any location in the world, where you think you could go and find "peace," where would it be?

I. We find real when we rest in God.

- Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28)
- "Turn away from evil and do good; seek \_\_\_\_\_and it." (Psalm 34:14)
- II. Only in Christ can true peace be found. (Ephesians 2:11-22)
- Jesus has destroyed the \_\_\_\_\_\_people build between themselves.
- "For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility." (Ephesians 2:14)
- The \_\_\_\_\_\_of Christ should be the \_\_\_\_\_of our unity.

## III. "What Child Is This?"

- More than just a classic, peaceful, nativity song, this carol points us to the reason Jesus came.
- Jesus is The King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, who loved us so much that He gave everything so that we might have peace with God and inherit eternal life.

 "He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." (Isaiah 53:5)

## IV. To think and pray about as you apply God's Word to your life:

- There is a lot of unrest, there is a definite lack of peace in our world today. As you hear these reports, how can you "choose peace" in your life today?
- In Romans 16:20 we read, "The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you." Ask God to bring peace to the places where Satan has brought chaos.
- In Matthew 5:9 we read, "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God." Thank God for those who bring His peace throughout the world. How can you bring peace to your corner of the world today?
- Join us on Wednesday nights on Zoom as Mike leads us in singing Christmas carols and Pastor John reflects on the above questions and brings a devotion based on "Peace."

Next Sunday...

Next Sunday, Dec. 13, we continue in the season of Advent with a focus on Joy.

cross, focus

barriers

beace, pursue

rest, peace

**Answers:** 

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