

Fruit of the Spirit: JOY

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Galatians 5:22, 23

Misconceptions about peace:

- 1. It is not _____.
- 2. It is not _____.

Peace is a result of _____ to God and an _____ that He is in control.

I am the Lord your God who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way that you should go. If only you had paid attention to my commands, your peace would have been like a river and your righteousness like the waves of the sea. Isaiah 48:17-18

Three experiences of peace for the believer:

- 1. Peace _____ God – A _____ experience.
- 2. Peace _____ God – An _____ experience.
- 3. Peace _____ Earth – A _____ experience.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called Sons of god. Matthew 5:9
Peace = *Eirene* – Greek; Shalom – Hebrew

Is God a peacemaker? Read Acts 5:1-10

Is Jesus a peacemaker? Read John 2:13-16

When we say, “I can be a good Christian and still ...__,” we may love peace, but we do not make peace.

HOW CAN WE BRING GOD’S PEACE TO THIS WORLD?

P _____
If you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift. Matthew 5:23-24

E _____
Each of us should please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. Romans 15:2

Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Philippians 2:4

How to empathize:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

A _____
Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to his neighbor, for we are all members of one body. Ephesians 4:25

How to Fight Fair:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

Speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. Ephesians 4:15

Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. Ephesians 4:29

C _____
If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Romans 12:18

But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere. James 3:17

Consider the blameless, observe the upright; there is a future for the man of peace. Psalm 37:37

If you're wise, you'll compromise.

E _____
This is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. 2 Corinthians 5:18

Reconciliation: To re-establish the relationship.

Resolution: To resolve every issue.