



Small Group Questions

Part 4: The Gift of Peace

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Read

1 Thessalonians 5:23; Isaiah 9:6 and 26:3; Luke 12:51; John 14:27 and 16:33; and Philippians 4:6–7

Reflect

Would someone describe you as having “a peace about you?” Do you feel at peace? Our Father is the God of Peace, our Savior is the Prince of Peace, and the Holy Spirit offers us the Gospel of Peace. Yet, we so often allow ourselves to be robbed of the peace the Lord made available to us. How would you define peace?

Pastor Josh Walters discusses what tends to rob us of peace.

1. Difficult circumstances.
 - a. Are you in a difficult season? How would you describe your current outlook and attitude?
2. Frustrating people.
 - a. When you read those two words, “frustrating people”, does someone in particular come to mind? How might you handle your interaction with them better?
3. Uncontrollable worry.
 - a. Do you struggle with worry? How are you handling it...are you taking it to God?

How can you experience God’s peace?

1. Receive God’s pardon.
 - a. Do you feel that you have something to prove to God? That you can earn forgiveness? Explain.
 - b. Is there something you need to take to God and ask for forgiveness?
2. Run to God’s presence.
 - a. Is God the first “person” you turn to when something goes wrong?
 - b. What conscious efforts are you making to seek his presence?
3. Respect God’s principles.
 - a. Are you practicing obedience? In what areas do you think you could improve?
 - b. Are you acting in faith? Do you include God in your decisions? Do you have a testimony about how the time you’ve spent in the Word and in prayer has impacted your choices?
4. Rely on God’s provision.
 - a. How have you felt God’s provision in your life?

Do you know people who exude peace? If you know their story, what can you learn from them?

Respond

What is your next step? Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you and hold you accountable in this?