



growing in CHRIST

He who says he abides in Jesus ought himself
also to walk just as Jesus walked (1 John 2:6)



**Fruit of
Peace**

Galatians 5:22-23



“I leave you peace; my peace I give you. I do not give it to you as the world does. So don’t let your hearts be troubled or afraid.” (John 14:27)

Peace with God

(spiritual)

¹⁹ For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, ²⁰ and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made **peace through the blood of His cross.**

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled ²² in the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy, and blameless, and above reproach in His sight.” (Col. 1:19-22)



Peace with God

(spiritual)

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, **we have peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ. ² Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.” (Rom 5:1-2)





Peace of Mind

(emotional)

“These things I have spoken to you, that **in Me you may have peace**. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

(John 16:33)



Peace of Mind

(emotional)

Rest ourselves on the unmovable results of having peace with God

Live in obedience to the word of God



Peace of Mind

(emotional)

⁵ Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 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.** ⁸ Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. (Phil. 4:5–8)



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(emotional)

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Live in obedience to the word of God

God promises to give us peace of mind



Peace of Mind

(emotional)

We struggle with peace because...

The presence of sin in our lives

We are overly focused on physical realities without factoring in God

We have self-centered rather than God-centered expectations

We lack the long perspective

Peace with Others

(relational)



¹¹ Finally, brothers, rejoice. Aim for restoration, comfort one another, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. (2 Corinthians 13:11)

“Let us pursue the things that make for peace.” (Rom. 14:19)

Peace with Others

(relational)



“through love serve one another...but if you bite and devour one another, watch out that you are not consumed by one another” (Galatians 5:15)

“Let us pursue the things that make for peace.” (Rom. 14:19)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is rooted in our common salvation

³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:3)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is rooted in our common salvation

³ Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, **for God has welcomed him.**

⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand. (Rom. 14:3–4)

Peace with Others

(relational)



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⁷ Therefore welcome one another as **Christ has welcomed you,** for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is rooted in our common salvation

¹⁷ The kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and **peace** and joy in the Holy Spirit.

(Romans 14:17)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is guided by a common message

“One body, one Spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all” (Eph. 4:4-6)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is expressed through a common character

² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. (Ephesians 4:2–3)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Peace is expressed through a common character

⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Romans 15:5–6)

Peace with Others

(relational)



Our peace glorifies Christ

⁵ May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, ⁶ **that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.** (Romans 15:5–6)



“Now may the **Lord of peace**
Himself **give you peace**
always in every way.
The Lord be with you all.”

(2 Thess. 3:16)