

1 **PEACE**

Luke 2:14

2 **DEFINING PEACE**

- Shalom – prosperity, well-being, health, completeness, safety.
- Eirene – peace. The cessation of hostilities of war. State of law and order that makes the fruits of prosperity possible.
- A state of being that lacks nothing and has no fear of being troubled in its tranquility; it is joy coupled with security.

3 **THE NEED FOR PEACE**

- Enmity – positive, active, mutual hatred, or ill will. Genesis 3:15, Rom. 8:7-8, James 4:4
- The enemies are Satan, the flesh, the world.
- Psalm 7:11 – God is a righteous judge, and a God who has indignation every day. Cf. Rom. 2:5

4 **PRINCE OF PEACE**

- All peace comes from God. 1 Kings 2:33, Micah 5:5 “This One will be peace.”
- Revealed on the cross of Christ. Rom. 5:1, 11; Eph. 2:14-18
- Given to children of God. Jn 14:17, 16:33; Gal. 5:22.

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“It is madness for sheep to talk peace with a wolf.”

Thomas Fuller

“God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because there is no such thing.”

C. S. Lewis