#### **Start Presentation**

Psalm 34:14

Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it. [NK]

Search for peace, and work to maintain it. [NLT]

Seek, inquire for, and crave peace and pursue (go after) it! [AMP]

Make "peace" your life motto. Practice being at peace with everyone. [TPT]

Embrace peace—don't let it get away! [Message]





# FOLLOWING PEACE

### **Choose Peace**

Philippians 4:6-7 God's Peace VS Our Understanding

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. [NKJ]

And God's peace which transcends all understanding shall garrison and mount guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. [AMP]

And God's peace, which is far beyond human understanding, will keep your hearts and minds safe in union with Christ Jesus. [GNB] Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord completely, and do not rely on your own opinions. With all your heart rely on him to guide you, and he will lead you in every decision you make.

Become intimate with him in whatever you do, and he will lead you wherever you go. Don't think for a moment that you know it all [TPT] Galatians 5:19-21

Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like

#### God's Peace VS Our Flesh

Hatred - intense dislike Contentions - contest or quarrel Jealousies - fear of losing someone you have Outbursts of wrath - display of extreme anger Selfish ambitions - consumed with one's own interests Dissensions - disagreement that leads to discord Heresies - sect, party (political) Envy - wanting what someone else has Murders - taking the life of another person (real or imagined) Romans 12:18-21 Permission To Choose Peace

If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. Therefore

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;

If he is thirsty, give him a drink;

For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head."

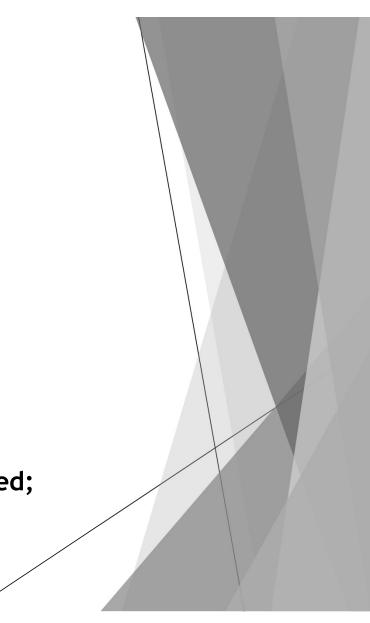
Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Psalm 25:1-3

To You, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, I trust in You; Let me not be ashamed; Let not my enemies triumph over me.

Indeed, let no one who waits on You be ashamed;



### Let Peace Lead

Colossians 3:15

And let the peace of God rule in your hearts [NKJ]

And let the peace from Christ rule (act as umpire continually) in your hearts deciding and settling with finality all questions that arise in your minds, in that peaceful state. [AMP]

The peace that Christ gives is to guide you in the decisions you make; [GNB]

Romans 8:12

Therefore, dear brothers and sisters, you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do.

So then, brethren, we are debtors, but not to the flesh [we are not obligated to our carnal nature], to live a life ruled by the standards set up by the dictates of the flesh. [AMP]

John 16:13-14 The Lordship of Jesus Christ

However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

Ephesians 4:29-32

Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

Matthew 11:28-30, James 3:17, Philippians 4:8

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things. Colossians 3:1-2, Romans 8:5-6

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.

Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

Those who live according to the Spirit, [set their minds on] the things of the Spirit.

For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

Proverbs 3:13-15,17

Happy is the man who finds wisdom, And the man who gains understanding;

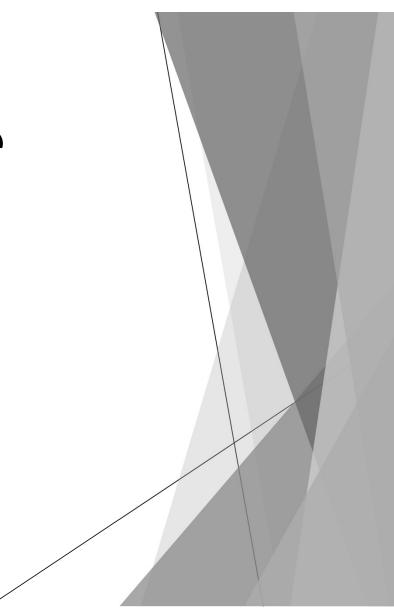
For her proceeds are better than the profits of silver, And her gain than fine gold.

She is more precious than rubies, And all the things you may desire cannot compare with her.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, And all her paths are peace.

### **Following Peace**

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### The End