



PRINCE OF PEACE

SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday Nov 29th, 2020

Prince of Peace - The Turmoil

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- **Feel The Turmoil**

1. We long for peace when we feel the turmoil

- We want “normal” again
- We want “freedom” again
- We want “health”
- We want “traditions”
- We want peace

2. The Battle Is Real

Our Pain Is Not A Competition
2 Corinthians 12:8–10

Let's acknowledge our struggles as real - carry our load - and recognize the struggles of others - bear others burdens

“Bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.”
(Galatians 6:2, ESV)

“For each will have to bear his own load.” (Galatians 6:5, ESV)

- **The Promise - Prince of Peace**

Isaiah 9:1–7

- **Zechariah's Prophecy.**

Luke 1:67–79

A World Like Isaiah's. A World Like Ours

For the world of the New Testament was a world very much like ours. There were wars. There was sickness. There was poverty and injustice.

There were people who struggled to keep on living, living by habit long after they had lost any sense of purpose, meaning, or goal.

- **Peace Is The Presence Of Jesus**

- You can't give what you don't have.
- Jesus is the Prince of Peace - he IS peace.
- If you have Jesus, you have peace.

Matthew 11:28–30

- **Practice The Presence of Jesus**

A. Come Receive Jesus

1. Live and lead out of the overflow of a Jesus-trusting life.

2. Present. Aware. Still.

a) LECTIO 365.24-7 PRAYER

b) <https://www.24-7prayer.com/dailydevotional>

3. God's Word - The Bible App

4. God's People - Community/Life Groups

-Sometimes I think our response is "I don't need that."

Well, maybe they need you.

-You can't carry people's burdens from a distance,
only in relationship.

B. Go Be Jesus

"You're the only Bible some people will read." Jim Jessup

You're the only Jesus some people will see.

"I'm the worst Jesus people can see."

It's not about you. It's about Jesus in and through you.

- **What's your next step?**

Jesus looks like the fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22–23

- Come Receive Jesus
- Go Be Jesus

KEEP CONNECTED THIS SEASON

Life Groups are officially on break until January 2021. *HOWEVER, that doesn't mean that we are on break from each other.* Now more than ever, being engaged in community is key to our wellbeing.

Below are suggestions for staying connected in intentional, Jesus-centered relationships:

LECTIO 365.24-7 PRAYER

<https://www.24-7prayer.com/dailydevotional>

Lectio 365 is a free daily devotional resource that helps you pray the Bible on your computer, phone or tablet. It is written in real-time by leaders from the 24-7 Prayer movement, so it is truly pertinent to our times. This resource helps you engage with Scripture to inspire prayer and shape your life.

YOU VERSION BIBLE APP - bible.com

The Bible App is a free, with no advertising and no in-app purchases resource. Choose from more than 1,200 Bible versions in over 900 languages on your computer, phone, or tablet - with many available as audio Bibles. This resource also allows you to connect with friends. Many of our Life Groups are finding that the shared experience of doing devotionals together is a great way to keep in touch, while encouraging each other with real-life applications and insights.

ZOOM

<https://zoom.us>

Face-to-face interaction is the next best thing to being together in-person. Connect and chat on your computer, phone or tablet.

Zoom and other virtual platforms can help your group see each other while still keeping socially distant. If you need help getting your group set-up on Zoom, please contact the church.

SMALL HOME GATHERINGS

Nothing beats actually getting together in-person to stay engaged in supportive relationships. During these pandemic times, small home gatherings where safety precautions are in place, are good ways to celebrate this season, and beat the holiday blues.

CHRISTMAS 2020 at COLD SPRINGS

We may not know exactly how Christmas will look at Cold Springs, but we know that Jesus will be central to our celebrations. We plan to keep our beloved tradition of Candlelight Services, with a new twist. Bundling up and coming together outdoors to sing carols, light candles and exalt the Prince of Peace, will be moments that our faith family can fondly look back upon together, *“Remember how we celebrated Christmas in that crazy 2020 year?!”*