

WORD OF THE DAY



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"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, **peace**, forbearance(patience), kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law!" - NIV

MEDITATE ON THIS (PEACE)



The third Fruit of the Spirit is Peace. As a musician, I spend an appropriate amount of time practicing my instrument so that when I play with the other musicians, everything can sound lovely and in sync. When one of the musicians in the praise-band plays the wrong note or gets ahead on a different page of the sheet music, he or she ends up playing a note that is out of sync with everyone else - creating a sound in music that we call dissonance. When this happens, the audience feels anxious, tense, and uncomfortable, because they know that something is off and not right.

Peace: In harmony with God. In Colossians 3:14-15 Paul writes, "*And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful.*" Before urging believers to "let the peace of Christ rule" in their hearts, Paul tells us to be in "perfect harmony" with other believers. For the believer, similar to the harmony which is created in music when all the musicians are on the "same page", peace is the consequence of being in perfect harmony with God's WILL.

Peace is not the absence of troubles but it is the presence of Jesus in the person of the Holy Spirit, in the midst of our troubles. For the believer, when we are walking in sin, separated from the Body of Christ, distant in fellowship with God(prayer/Bible study), not using our spiritual gifts, or headed down a path which is not part of God's WILL for our lives, there will be a lack of peace. In such moments we should seek God in prayer because while the troubles may not always go away, we surely will experience the peace of God when we harmonize ourselves with God's WILL.

-Your brother in Christ, WNL

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A lack of peace often means that you and God are not on the same page.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for your peace. Indeed your peace that you have left us is not as the world gives. Help me walk in the path of life that does not sound dissonant to you but perfectly in harmony with your good and wonderful plan for my life, In Jesus name I pray. Amen.



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