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Philippians 4:7: And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

GOD'S PEACE By Evangelist Dennis A. Palma

Almighty Father, Lord Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, we thank You, praise You, bless You and love You Lord, for Your Peace that transcends all of man's understanding. Father, may we learn and grow spiritually, through Your Holy Spirit. Lord Jesus, please bless us with Your Peace, in the midst of this world of darkness, and uncertainty. Father, when life becomes dim and hopeless, may we humbly come before Your throne of Love, Grace, and Mercy. Father, may we seek to live daily in Your Divine and Peaceful Presence! Lord, I ask this prayer in the name of our King of Peace, and our Lord of lords, Christ Jesus! HallelujahAmen.

This month's inspired message, has to do with finding God's Peace, in a, broken world. God's Peace, is something that man has always had a hard time understanding. Reason being is, they do not understand or are defiance to the Will of God. Because we live in the flesh, we are vulnerable to darkness and unseen evil forces that in time, can take over our mind, body and soul. According to the Bible, there is nothing that can stop these evil forces of this fallen world, but Jesus. There is nothing I can think of to protect us from these evil forces, but God's full Armor of Righteousness. Without God's full Armor of Infinite Righteousness, we are all goners! God's Peace is different than the world's peace. True peace is not found in positive thinking in the absence of conflict, or in good feelings, it comes from knowing that God is in control. Our citizenship in Christ's kingdom is sure, our destiny is set, and we can have victory over sin. Let God's Peace, guard your hearts and minds against anxiety incurred from this evil world. Please make note that, what we put in our minds determines what comes out in our words and actions. Apostle Paul, tells us in **Philippians 4:8**; to program our minds to be, true, pure, noble, lovely, admirable, excellent, and praiseworthy. Are you having problems with impure thoughts and daydreams? If so, examine what you are putting into your mind through television, internet, books, conversations, movies and magazines. Ask the Holy Spirit to replace any harmful inputs, with wholesome Godly thoughts.

Above all, read God's Word daily, and pray each day! Again, ask God to help you focus your mind on what is good and pure. It takes practice, but it can be done if we truly want to find God's Peace! In order to find God's Peace, it's not enough just to hear or read the Word of God, or even know it well, we *must believe* in His Divine Words of Wisdom. Also, we can go to church, and do good works, and still not have the Peace of the Lord in our hearts. The Bible clearly tells us that, we cannot be saved by works alone! To all believers in the Lord Christ Jesus, we can trust that God will always meet our needs. What ever we need on earth, God will always supply. Where does God's Peace come from? God's blessing of Peace comes from His Holy Spirit, and His Divine Holy Presence. The end result of the Holy Spirit coupled with God's Presence in our lives, is lasting peace. Unlike worldly peace that is becoming extinct from the absence of God's Presence, the Lord's Peace is everlasting. Also, with God's Peace, there is no need to fear the present or the future. Sin, fear, uncertainty, doubt, and numerous other forces are at war within us. The Peace of God moves into our hearts and lives to restrain these hostile forces and offer comfort in place of conflict. Jesus said for all who believe, that He will give us His Peace, if we are willing to accept it from Him. If your life is fill of stress and anxiety, except God's Holy Spirit, to fill you with Christ Peace. In Philippians 4:6-7 it is written; Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the Peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. In Proverbs 1:33 tells us; But whoever listens to Me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm. Also in John 14:27 Jesus said; Peace I leave with you; My Peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Furthermore, according to the Bible, God will even supply us with the courage to face death at the end of our life. It is written in Psalm 23:4; Even though I walk through the valley of the Shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; Your Rod and Your Staff, they comfort me. My brothers and sisters in the Lord Christ Jesus, please note that the Bible teaches us that, our God is a God of Peace! A God of Love! A God of Grace! And a God of Mercy! The Bible also tells us that the fruits of our ways will be the consequences we will experience in this life. We all have the same choice to make when it comes to finding God's everlasting Peace. We can either choose God's Wisdom, and desires for us all. Or choose to persist in being rebellious, with a prideful independence from Christ Jesus.

Furthermore, according to the Holy Bible, when we persist in being rebellious to the Word of the Lord, we put ourselves on a course of hell and self destruction! My prayer at this time is, that this month's inspire message, will help us to better understand that our God is a God of eternal Peace. Also, that only God's Peace is the only peace that surpasses all of mans understanding!



PEACE
By Sarah Young

MY PEACE IS SUCH AN ALL ENCOMPASSING GIFT THAT IS INDEPENDENT OF CIRCUMSTANCES. Though you loose everything else, if you gain My Peace you are rich indeed. Let that be a deep comfort to you, especially amid the many aspects over your life over which you have no control! When you are feeling at the mercy of your circumstances, My all encompassing Peace is exactly what you need, even though you sometimes feel unable to receive it. Perhaps that is because you cling to other things your loved ones, your possessions, your reputation. It's as if you are wrapping your fingers tightly around a small copper coin while I am offering you unlimited supplies of pure gold. My desire is to help you treasure My Peace above everything in the world—recognizing it as a supernatural gift, bequeathed to My followers shortly before My death. A man who knows that he will soon die wants to leave something precious with those he loves. Therefore, I "willed "My Peace to My disciples and all who would follow Me. I know this was a difficult gift to accept, especially in the midst of adversity. So, after My resurrection, the first words I spoke to My disciples were "Peace be with you!" They needed this reassurance to reinforce what I taught them before I died. We all need to be reminded of the divine nature of this gift, for it is not the world's peace I give you; It is the Peace that transcends all understanding!

PROVERBIAL WISDOM FOR FEBRUARY 2014

Proverbs 3:5-6; <u>Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He</u> will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 6:22-23; The evil deeds of the wicked man ensnare him; the cords of his sin holds him fast. He will die for lack of discipline, led astray by his own folly.



THE MINISTRY'S DAILY PRAYER LIST

Please pray daily for; Brad McNamara, Jonathan Baker and Family, Janelle Owens, Bill Schlupp, Janet Young, Anne Marie Hess, Paige Parker, Ira Jones, Kevin Palma, Janet Smeltz, Joe Lakes. If you know anyone who is in need of prayer at this time, and would like to be put on the ministry's daily prayer list, go to Bing or Yahoo search engines @ makethespiritualconnection.com

So my friends in the Lord Christ Jesus, until next month's inspired message with God's help, may the dear Lord richly bless you and your family!

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