

Peace, Trouble, Fear John 14:27

To Whom Is Peace Given?

Believers

Romans 15:13 *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

Those in Christ

John 16:33 *I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.*

Those who know

2Peter 1:2 *May grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.*

Those who please him

Proverbs 16:7 *When a man's ways please the Lord, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.*

Luke 2:14 *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!*

The spiritually minded

Romans 8:6 *For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.*

Workers of good

Romans 2:10 *but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek.*

Those who love the word

Psalms 119:165 *Great peace have those who love your law; nothing can make them stumble.*

Those who walk right

Galatians 6:16 *And as for all who walk by this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God.*

What Can Cause Trouble?

Material things

Luke 10:40-42 *But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."*

False teachers

Acts 15:24 *Since we have heard that some persons have gone out from us and troubled you with words, unsettling your minds, although we gave them no instructions,*

Galatians 1:7 *not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ.*

Root of bitterness

Hebrews 12:15 *See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God; that no "root of bitterness" springs up and causes trouble, and by it many become defiled;*

Persecutions

1Peter 3:14 *But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled,*

Misunderstanding of Christ's coming

2Thessalonians 2:1-2 *Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.*

Reports of war

Matthew 24:6 *And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet.*

Disobedience

1Kings 18:18 *And he answered, "I have not troubled Israel, but you have, and your father's house, because you have abandoned the commandments of the LORD and followed the Baals."*

Careless talk

Proverbs 21:23 *Whoever keeps his mouth and his tongue keeps himself out of trouble.*

Greed

Proverbs 15:27 *Whoever is greedy for unjust gain troubles his own household, but he who hates bribes will live.*

1Timothy 6:9 *But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.*

What Causes Fear?

Lack of faith

Matthew 25:25 *so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.'*

Mark 4:40 He said to them, "Why are you so afraid? Have you still no faith?"

A guilty conscience

Proverbs 28:1 The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion.

Weakness

Isaiah 35:3-4 Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."

Lack of ability

2Samuel 17:2 I will come upon him while he is weary and discouraged and throw him into a panic, and all the people who are with him will flee. I will strike down only the king,

Lack of preparation

Proverbs 31:21 She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household are clothed in scarlet.

What Is The Remedy?

Preparedness/Making Christ our Lord

1Peter 3:14-16 But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

Faith

John 14:1 Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me.

Righteousness

Proverbs 11:8 The righteous is delivered from trouble, and the wicked walks into it instead.

Proverbs 12:13 An evil man is ensnared by the transgression of his lips, but the righteous escapes from trouble.

God's help

Psalms 46:1-2 God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

Psalms 54:7 For he has delivered me from every trouble, and my eye has looked in triumph on my enemies.

Hebrews 13:6 So we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper; I will not fear; what can man do to me?"