

Discussion Questions

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Peace on Earth - The Peace Only Jesus Gives John 14:25-27

1. Share a time when you were completely overwhelmed or in a doom cycle of thoughts and lost all sense of peace.

2. Read John 14:27 aloud:

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled or fearful.

What is the peace Jesus offers and how is it different from the peace the world offers?

Can you recall a time when you experienced Jesus' peace in the midst of difficulty?

3. Read Isaiah 26:3

What does it mean to keep your mind "dependent" on God?

Discuss the connection between God's peace and Trust.

4. How does the presence of the Holy Spirit make Jesus' peace available to us today?

What role does trusting in the Holy Spirit play in experiencing peace?

5. Discuss what it looks like to have the Peace Jesus gives in the midst of suffering, loss, or terrible circumstances, not just when they are over?

How do we cultivate this kind of life that experiences His Peace in all circumstances?

6. Share an area in your life right now where you are wrestling with experiencing the Peace of Christ.

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Lamentations 3:21–23 (ESV)

But this I call to mind, and therefore I have hope: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.

John 14:1 (NLT)

Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me.

John 14:25–27 (CSB)

I have spoken these things to you while I remain with you. But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you. Peace I leave with you. My peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Don't let your heart be troubled or fearful.

Dictionary Definitions of Peace:

The absence of conflict

Freedom from disturbances

The end of hostilities

A state of tranquility

John 16:33 (NLT)

I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world.

John 20:21–22 (NIV)

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

Isaiah 26:3 (CSB)

You will keep the mind that is dependent on you in perfect peace, for it is trusting in you.