

The Gifts Of Christmas (Part 8)

Gift # 10 – The Gift of PEACE

Review:

1. Light
2. Glory
3. Grace
4. Truth
5. Partnership
6. Joy
7. New Beginning
8. Faith
9. Love

And now #10: Peace

Peace – 1515 – rest, in contrast to strife.

The first mention is in Genesis 15: 15 – God makes a covenant with Abraham, “and thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; tho shalt be buried in a good old age.”

What is the way of peace?

Psalms 37: 37 “mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace”

Luke 1: 73-79 “to give to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

Zacharias was told that his son would point every man to the way of peace...

Then we get to Jesus in chapter 2:

Luke 2: 14 “glory to god in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

Let's examine what happens when one is in rebellion to God?

Adam and eve?

Israel –

Isaiah 59: 1-8 the way of peace they do not know...

Romans 8: 5 “for they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the spirit the things of the spirit.”

Vs 6 “for to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.”

Vs 7 “because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.”

Peace is a product of being in harmony with Jesus!

John 14: 27 “peace i leave with you my peace I give unto you: not as the world gives give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid.”

John 16: 33 “these things i have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace.”

John 20: 19 then the same day at evening; came Jesus and stood in the midst and said unto them, peace be unto you.”

Acts 10: 36 “the word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ.”

Romans 10: 15 “and how shall they preach except they be sent? As it is written, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace and bring glad tidings of good things...”

Romans 14: 17 “the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.”

Ephesians 2: 14 –

How does peace come?

Vs 5 quicken together with Christ

Vs 6 raised us up together

Vs 13 ye were afar off but made near by the blood of Christ

Vs 14 for he is our peace, he has broken down the wall, partition between us...

Vs 15 abolished flesh and enmity

Vs 17 came and preached peace to you which were afar off...

Fear of missing the peace offering:

Hebrews 4: 1 “let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.”