

Jehovah Shalom – God Our Peace

- Judges 6:1-24 - Time of the judges, cycles of sin, bondage, repentance, God sending a judge to deliver. In this passage, Israel is afflicted by the Midianites and Gideon is called to be their deliverer.
- **Key verse** - Judges 6:22-23 - *And when Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord GOD! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face. And the LORD said unto him, Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die. Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD, and called it **Jehovahshalom**: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abiezrites.*
- **Peace**: Rest, quietness, absence of strife, harmony, highest measure of contentment. “Shalom” is translated “peace” 170 x
Gift of God – Psalm 29:11
Abundant – Psalm 119:165
Perfect (complete) – Isaiah 26:3
Like a river (refreshing, life sustaining, continuous) – Isaiah 48:18
Legacy of Christ – John 14:27
Beyond human understanding – Philippians 4:7
- **Jesus, The Prince of Peace** - Isa 9:6 - For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, **The Prince of Peace**.
- **How do we find the way of God’s peace?**
Ro 3:17 - And the way of peace have they not known:
- **Salvation, forgiveness of sin**
Isa 53:5 - But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.
Isa 38:17 - Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but thou hast in love to my soul delivered it from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.
Ro 5:1 - Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
Eph 2:14-15 - For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us; Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;
Col 1:20 - And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
Isa 48:22 - There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked.
Ps 29:11 - The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace.
- **To love God’s Word brings peace**
Ps 119:165 - Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them.

- **To focus one's thoughts on Christ brings peace**
Isa 26:3 - Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.
- **To live as a child of God brings peace**
Isa 32:17 - And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.
- **To keep God's commandments brings peace to a believer**
Isa 48:18 - O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea:
- **To cultivate an eternal perspective and live for eternity** rather than an earthly existence brings peace.
Ro 8:6 - For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.
- **To increase in faith brings peace.**
Ro 15:13 - Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.
- **To live in harmony with others brings peace.**
2 Co 13:11 - Finally, brethren, farewell. Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.
- **Taking every need to the Lord in prayer, choosing not to worry, brings peace.**
Php 4:6-7 - Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
Following the example of Paul in the way he disciplined his thought life and lived his life brings peace.
Php 4:8-9 - Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things. Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.
- **Being thankful brings peace.**
Col 3:15 - And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.
- **Learning about Christ and our Heavenly Father brings peace.**
2 Pe 1:2 - Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,
- **All God's ways are ways of peace!**
Jer 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.
Lu 2:14 - Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.
Ro 1:7 - To all that be in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.
Ro 14:17 - For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

