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The Power of Peace

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And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.

Col 3:15

How would you like to "know" that God is with you in what you are doing? Well, you can! There is a simple way to know that God is pleased with you in what you are doing. If you have no true "peace" in something, you do not have God in it. He is peace. Peace belongs to him, it is His stamp of approval.

For thus saith the LORD, Enter not into the house of mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them: for I have taken away my peace from this people, saith the LORD, even lovingkindness and mercies.

Jer. 16:5

Peace is God's to give and God's to take, for it is Him. Just as you cannot find true love, or happiness outside of Him, you cannot find real peace without Him either. There is a fake peace. It is more a sense of being lulled to sleep or moments of forgetfulness. But true peace as experienced by His Children is an unmistakable bliss! If you do not have this in what you are doing, STOP! You must find out why, because it means that God is not with you in your particular situation or ruling in your life in that area.

In the world's peace you will have peaceful moments and then back around comes the problem and all its friends, guilt, anger, and frustration.

In God's peace, you will be able to "lay something to rest," and leave it there. You don't pick it up every hour and check it out. You are able to let

go and NEVER pick it up!

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 14:27

God's peace is not like the world's. In God's peace you will have no fear or troubled thoughts. Your heart will be quiet and at rest. In those areas that you have peace (quiet, still, rest) you can be assured that God is there.

Peace is one of the precious gifts from God. Some call these fruits of the Holy Spirit, but they are really gifts you can operate in. If you think of them this way you will see the power of peace. Who can upset your faith when the peace of God is ruling in your heart!? It truly is a gift.

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Php 4:7

God's peace goes beyond what you understand. Many times I have been in situations that looked beyond hopeless and had no sense of hopelessness because I had given the entire thing to God by faith or because He revealed Himself to me in that area. God's peace when given to you by the Holy Spirit will keep your heart and your mind.

Think of it like this. You have a problem. You bring it before God. The Holy Spirit begins to counsel you, through scripture, prayers, and convictions. Soon the truth is brought to light, your heart is set right in that area and

God approves by giving you His peace in that situation.

Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another.

Rom. 14:19

God's children must seek peace. Not only in themselves but in others. This is the same as saying we are to seek God's approval in all we do. Peace edifies and lifts up the brethren.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Matt. 5:9

Wow.....now that is a strong statement! Do you want to be called a child of God? Then you must be a peace maker. Not a pleaser of men! That is **NOT** what this means. A peace maker is someone who seeks God's approval in all they do and are not striving with oneanother but seeking the Father's blessing upon all. This means you don't want to be the center hub of anyone's world. You want to help everyone come to peace (an approved state) with God. You don't go "making trouble" for the sport of it or seeking the approval of others for selfish gain. A peacemaker isn't thinking about whether people like them or not. They are seeking God's divine wisdom for all.

So how do we find the peace of God, His stamp of approval?

For to be carnally minded is death; but to spiritually minded is life and peace.

Rom. 8:6

You must receive spiritual wisdom from God for your situation. Only then will the Holy Spirit give you the gift of peace and that peace will rule in your heart and mind and you will not be in confusion anymore.

But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

James 3:17

God's wisdom the kind from heaven is pure and full of peace. It won't be something harsh or impossible to understand. But it will be gently revealed to you and chalked full of mercy, love, and truth. God is not a respecter of persons and will give wisdom generously to all who ask Him without judgement. He isn't keeping you from peace! He **wants** you to live in His peace!

And my people shall dwell in a peacable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places;

Isa. 32:18

This is God's will for your life. He can give you peace in the craziest of times and weirdest places. His peace knows no restrictions or limitations! Our peace is not measured by our circumstances but by the amount of spiritual wisdom applied to that situation which in turn brings about the "peace" of God.

Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth

understanding. Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace. Prov. 3:16-17

Summing it up!

.....but God hath called us to peace. 1 Cor.
7:15

Peace belongs to the children of God. It is our gift from Him and the fruit or product of the Holy Spirit living and ruling in us. When God gives us peace in any given situation it is like His stamp of approval. If you have peace, He is there.

His peace is not like the world's. So don't get confused here. If you are troubled about something, you haven't received God's wisdom in it yet, He has not given you His okay or you have not received spiritual understanding (Him) in that area of your life yet. Keep seeking wisdom from God until you have received the revelation from Him that you need to walk in the gift of peace.

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