



## TALK IT OVER

Prince of Peace

### BOTTOM LINE

Peace is unalterably connected to trust.

### CONVERSATION STARTER

What Christmas song or movie is your favorite? What tradition/activity symbolizes peace to you?

### THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear?

What do you think?

What will you do?

### RESOURCES

- The Daily: [newpointe.org/daily](https://newpointe.org/daily)
- [Jesus, the Prince of Peace](#)  
Short video for kids and their families

### KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

*For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on His shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6 NLT*

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27 NIV*

*Through Christ, God made peace between himself and us. 2 Corinthians 5:18 ERV*

*Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. Romans 5:1 NIV*

"The Hebrew word for peace is Shalom and is used 250 times in the Old Testament. It's the greeting among Jewish people and means 'I wish for you all that is good, all that is blessed, all that brings satisfaction, fulfillment, completeness, and contentment.' In the New Testament the word peace describes a tranquil state of the soul – a soul at rest, a satisfied mind. Humankind would settle for far less." – Dwight Mason

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What evidence do you see that the world and the individuals in it are mostly willing to settle for less than God's people? For most of us, peace means the absence of troubling things – like what? Jesus talked about peace when He was in the most anxiety-producing, distressing circumstances of His life. Yet He was the essence of peace. Why? When have you settled for less than God's peace? What headed you in that direction? How did you get centered again? The essence of peace is peace **with** God – knowing that your sins are forgiven, and you are made right with God. When did that happen for you? How do you keep up to date on that? There is also the peace **of** God that is emotional peace regardless of the circumstances, that comes from a daily relationship with Jesus. Your worries show where you are not trusting and what robs you of peace. What are they? Jesus is the Source. How can you work with Him?

### ACTION STEP

I want 2024 to be the year of the peace Jesus came to give me. I commit to these steps to have what He came to give: (Write and keep your commitment.)