

REDISCOVER CHRISTMAS

GOOD NEWS IN TROUBLING TIMES

PEACE | 12.6.20

TALK IT OVER

MAIN POINTS

1. Peace comes in the midst of the storms.
2. Peace won't come from the world.
3. Peace is a person

KEY QUOTE

"Peace is not only in a place where there is no noise, trouble, or hard work. Peace is in the midst of things as they are, when there is calm in your heart. That is the real meaning of peace."

Author Unknown

KEY SCRIPTURES

²⁷ 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.

Matthew 14:27

¹⁴ For he himself is our peace,

Ephesians 2:14

¹⁶ Now may the Lord of peace himself give you his peace at all times and in every situation. The Lord be with you all.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Select 1 or 2 questions from each section of this guide to lead your group or house church in a discussion. Feel free to adjust as needed. Each section is designed to follow each video segment of the message.

- **Video Section #1: Explore the Topic**
 - > Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking
- **Video Section #2: Explore what God says about the Topic**
 - > Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture
- **Video Section #3: Explore what we do with the Topic**
 - > Live it Out | Goal: Choose a question to encourage next steps
 - > Pray it Out | Goal: Lift of prayers, petitions, and praises

Start it Out | Goal: Get people talking

- What do you think about the Declaration of Christmas Peace?
- Describe "Peace" in your own words.
- What do you believe it will take for our families, communities, and nation to experience peace?

Talk it Out | Goal: Get the group talking about scripture

- Review the 3 main points of the message then dialogue through each point by asking these questions:
 1. When have you experience God's peace even in the storms of life?
 2. How does the world try to offer you peace?
 3. What does it mean to say, "peace is a person?"
- **Read: Matthew 14:27**, What's the difference between God's peace and the peace the world gives?

Live it Out | Goal: Choose a question to encourage next steps

- What step do you need to take this week to experience God's peace?
- How can you be a person of peace this week to friends and family?

Pray it Out | Goal: Lift up prayers, petitions, and praises

- Pray together:
- Take time to share prayer requests, and spend time praying for our church, community, country, and world. Help the members of your group to feel invited and cared for.

HOPE | PEACE | JOY | LOVE