

Peace on Earth...

Introduction

How does true peace work?

- I. True Peace comes from God - Definition of true peace that comes from God - **Trusting God, no matter the** _____
(Phil. 4:6-7; Luke 2:14; Isa. 30:20-21; II Cor. 4:17)
- II. True peace comes through _____
(The _____ of Christ paved the way for us to find peace - Col. 1:19-20; Eph. 2:17-18)
- III. True peace is only given to _____ people
(Luke 2:10, 14)
- IV. Three Cautions about true peace
 - A. Peace with God will bring _____ from the world (Luke 1:28-35; Matt 1:18-25)
 - B. True Peace only exists in the _____ that is _____ with God (Luke 2:14)
 1. Mary _____ to God's plan (Luke 1:38)
 2. Joseph _____ God (Matt. 1:24-25; 2:13-14)
 - C. True peace does not mean you will be free from stress & _____. It means that you allow God to lead you through your _____.

God's Promises in times of trial (Psalm 46)

- I. God will not _____ his children during their trials (Ps. 46:1)
- II. God will give His children _____ during their trials (Ps. 46:4-5)
- III. If God is within us, we know the _____ is yet to come (Ps. 46:6, 8-9)
- IV. How should His children respond to these promises
 - A. Do not _____ any trial (Ps. 26:1-3)
 - B. Trust that God is in _____ now and forever (Ps. 26:6-9)
 - C. _____ yourself before the Lord (Ps. 46:10a)
 - D. _____ the _____ God!!!!
(Ps. 46:10b-11)

Questions to Ponder

- I. What is _____ you of your peace?
- II. Have you stopped _____ God?
- III. Do you trust that the _____ of this life pale in comparison to what awaits us in heaven?
- IV. Are you in constant _____ with God?
- V. Are you _____ the return of Christ?