Isaiah 9:6-7 (NIV)

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end...

Luke 2:11-12 (NIV)

Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is Christ the Lord.

12 This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

Luke 2:13-14 (NIV)

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴ "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth PEACE to men on whom His favor rests."

Romans 5:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have PEACE with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

TRUE and Lasting PEACE

Luke 2:8-20

He is WORTHY to bear these Names because they are an ACCURATE description of His Being and Character.

Constable

We can REST Knowing God KEEPS His Promises

- > We can **KNOW** that we **HAVE** eternal life
- ➤ I will Never leave you or ABANDON you
- ➤ Nothing anywhere can SEPARATE me from God's Love
- ➤ EVERYTHING we go through has a Good PURPOSE

The number of the angelic host may be too large for the human mind to fathom. Note that here the heavenly army brought a message of PEACE.

MacArthur

→ Through Jesus we can have Peace WITH God

be afraid. I bring you **Good News**of **great JOY** that will be for

ALL the people.

11 Today in the town of David a SAVIOR has been born to you; He is CHRIST the LORD.

This is the only place in New Testament where these three titles occur like this Savior, Christ, Lord. MBI

Savior - His Mission
Christ - His Royalty
LORD - His Authority

Acts 10:36 (NLT)

This is the message of Good News

for the people of Israel - that there is

Peace WITH God THROUGH

Jesus Christ, who is LORD of ALL.

12 ... You will FIND a BABY wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.

God's answer to everything that has ever terrorized the world **is a baby**. His answer to the tyrants that parade through history is **NOT** to become a tyrant or to rebel.

God's answer is Jesus. PTW

¹⁴ Glory to God in the highest, and on earth PEACE to men on whom His favor rests.

Jesus did NOT come to Destroy

His enemies, but to make PEACE with them.

He came to turn His enemies into Friends.

Guthrie

Colossians 1:21-22 (NIV) Once you were **ALIENATED** from God and were **ENEMIES** in your minds because of your evil behavior. 22 But now He has reconciled you BY Christ's physical body through DEATH to present you holy in His sight, without blemish and FREE from ACCUSATION...

Colossians 1:19-20 (NIV) For God was pleased to have ALL His fullness dwell in Him, ²⁰ and **THROUGH** Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making PEACE through His blood, shed on the cross.

Romans 5:1-2 (NIV) Therefore, since we have been justified through FAITH, we have Peace WITH God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access **BY FAITH** into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

Peace WITH God means the
Christian no longer lives with
fear of judgment and the WRATH
of God but has Peace WITH God,
which is NOT merely a feeling
but an solid reality.

Peace WITH God is BASED on what God has DONE not how we FEEL.

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found,
Clothed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

→ Because of Jesus we can have the Peace OF God

Colossians 3:15 (NIV)

Let the Peace **OF** Christ

RULE in your hearts, since as

members of one body you were

called to **PEACE**. And be thankful.