

The Prince of PEACE has COME ~ Isaiah 9:6-7

→Scripture Reading Is. 9:6-7, Lk. 2:13-14, Col. 3:15, Is. 26:3-4

The Prince of Peace is ANNOUNCED ~ Isaiah 9:6-7

⁶ 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. He will reign on David's throne and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

IMPLICATIONS

⁶ For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and **the government will be on His shoulders...**

1. The government will REST on the shoulders of Jesus. PDT

Rom. 6:23 (NLT) For the wages of sin is death, but the free GIFT of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.

⁶ And He will be called **Wonderful Counselor**, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

2. Jesus is a Wonderful COUNSELOR to us. PDT

⁶ And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, **Mighty God**, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

3. Jesus will unleash Almighty POWER on our behalf. PDT

⁶ And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, **Everlasting Father**, Prince of Peace.

4. Jesus will Lavish on us His FATHERING care. PDT

⁶ And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, **Prince of Peace**.

5. Jesus offers us His lasting PEACE

⁷ ...He will **REIGN** on David's throne and over His kingdom, **establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness...**

6. Jesus's REIGN will be RIGHTEOUS in every way. PDT

⁷ ...He will REIGN on David's throne and over His kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness **from that time on and FOREVER...**

7. Jesus's rule will NEVER EVER end. PDT

⁷ ...The **ZEAL** of the LORD Almighty **will ACCOMPLISH this.** (passionate commitment of... NLT)

8. God makes SURE that what He has promised WILL take place. PDT

⁶ 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. ⁷ His government and its peace will never end. He will rule with fairness and justice from the throne of His ancestor David for ALL eternity. The passionate commitment of the LORD of Heaven's Armies will make this happen. (NLT)

The Prince of Peace has ARRIVED ~ Luke 2:8-14

⁸ And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹ An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰ But the angel said to them, "Do not 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.** ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³ 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."**

Peace WITH the Prince of Peace ~ Romans 5:1-2

¹ 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.

To have “**peace with God**” means to be in a relationship with God in which all the HOSTILITY caused by sin has been REMOVED. NAC

Isaiah 53:5 (NIV) But He was PIERCED for our transgressions, He was CRUSHED for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us PEACE was upon Him, and by His wounds we are healed.

IMPLICATIONS

→We HAVE PEACE with God

¹ ...since we have been declared righteous by Faith, we have PEACE with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. (HCS)

John 3:36 (NIV) Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever REJECTS the Son will not see life, for God's WRATH remains on him.

John 3:36 (NIV) Whoever BELIEVES in the Son HAS eternal life...

John 5:24 (NLT) ...will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from Death into Life.

Peace WITH God means the believer does not live with fear of judgment and the WRATH of God but has peace WITH God, which is not merely a feeling but a solid reality. ESV

John 14:27 (NIV) 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.

IN Christ we have peace WITH God, even when we are experiencing TURMOIL. LAB

TAKE AWAY ??

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV) Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷ And the **peace OF God**, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds IN Christ Jesus.

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.

Isaiah 26:3 (CSB) You will keep the MIND that is DEPENDENT on You in **perfect PEACE**, for it is TRUSTING in You.