

# PEACE that Overcomes Doubt & Uncertainty

Series on Advent: Christ is Our Hope in a Broken World

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Truth: The peace of God is fully experienced when we are at peace with God.

## Abraham's (Abram's) Story

- Abraham's doubt was based on what he believed were the facts – Sarah was barren, he did not have a biological heir, so God gave him nothing 10 years after he left everything to follow God.
- God promised Abraham He would fulfill His promise to the fourth generation after God's people left Egypt. However, Abraham took matters into his own hands.

## Where is PEACE in Doubt & Uncertainty?

1. Peace in trusting God to fulfill His promises – God did not promise peace in a world of chaos, nor did God promise a trouble-free life.
2. Peace in knowing that God fulfills His promises even when we do not keep our promises – God's grace never fails. He loves us and cares for us even in our pain.
3. Peace in blessings from God through our obedience – Sometimes we don't see those blessings in our lifetime. Sometimes blessings are delayed or manifested in ways we do not see as blessings. Most of the time blessings are spiritual but have a great impact on the world around us if we allow God to use them.
4. Peace in knowing that when we die, God promises we will live with Him forever in heaven – God's promise of peace is ultimately fulfilled through Christ's birth and life on earth – He knows our pain/ sorrow; fulfilled through the Holy Spirit who guides and comforts us in this life; and fulfilled in Christ's resurrection guaranteeing our home in heaven as His child.

## BOTTOM LINE

During this Christmas season, Jesus Christ is our source of hope, peace, joy, and love. Will you be His hands and feet and share hope, peace, joy, and love to the brokenhearted?