



DIGGING DEEPER

Week 2 | Peace With Us



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RECAP

This week we continue our Advent series, *God With Us*. In those three words, the very essence of Christmas comes to full bearing: God has not abandoned us to history, nor to our own efforts, nor to our sin. He has come, through the Person of Jesus, and He promises to be with us forever. This week we look at *Peace With Us*.

ICEBREAKER QUESTION: What were some holiday traditions and activities you did growing up in your family?

DISCUSS

KEY PASSAGE: Isaiah 9:6-7

MEMORY VERSE: Philippians 4:9 | Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

1. How would you describe the difference between what Tim called “episodic” peace and peace that is “durable and dependable”?
2. List the things that your mind has been “fixed” on this week. How many of those things bring you peace? What do the other things produce in your life?
3. How did the coming of Jesus mark an end of chaos in creation and the victory of peace?
4. We are told in Scripture not only to desire peace, but to create it, to be peacemakers. What are some ways you can create peace in your relationships?

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

TOY DRIVE: DEC 11 & 12

Help provide local kids with Christmas gifts! Each gift or combination of gifts should value \$20-25. Bring unwrapped gifts on 12/11 between 9am-Noon or on 12/12 during worship services. We'll be wrapping and delivering gifts to kids affiliated with Northridge Elementary, Sayonara Center, and One Church/City of Refuge in Sacramento. To help at our Toy Drive receiving, sorting, wrapping and/or delivering gifts, contact Lauri Balbi, lauri@fairoaks.church

WINTER GUEST HOUSE: DEC 26 - JAN 1

The last week of the year we are opening our church facilities to host the homeless in our community. This is a perfect opportunity for you and your small group/family to serve and love others during the holiday season. We'll need volunteers to help greet, cook, clean, do laundry and spend the night with our guests! Sign up at fairoaks.church/missions

