

G R O W T H N O T E S

Scripture: Isaiah 9:2-7

*Today's Message:
"God's Prescription For Peace!"*

KEY VERSE: For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace. *Isaiah 9:6/KJV*

- **At** We all long for peace in our thoughts, decisions, emotions, relationships, business transactions, family—and our world...
- **But**—we seldom find because of the conflict that is so prevalent at every level of our experience;

What Peace Is Not

- **Peace is not avoiding the problem...**
- **Peace is not just trying to appease others...**

What Peace Is

- **Peace, in God's terms, is "Shalom!"**
- **In the Hebrew: 'order and well-being.'**
- **A wholeness, sense of security & foundation...**

Where Peace Comes From

- **Our relationship with God...**
- **Our partnership with God**
- **And our assurance from God that no matter what happens—
God is still in control...**

In Isaiah 48:17, God Says: “I Am the LORD your God who teaches you what is best for you; Who directs you in the way that you should go;

If only you had paid attention to my commands—your peace would’ve been like a river and your righteousness like the waves of the sea.”

Isaiah 48:22, Says: “There is no peace for the wicked;

What Is God’s Provision For Peace?

- **Peace on the upside...Peace WITH God...**
- **Peace on the inside...the peace OF God...**
- **Peace on the outside...**

In John 3:17, Jesus Said: “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

And John Remembered That Phrase—And In His Epistle, 1 John, 3:21, He Wrote: Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence in our relationship with God.

And Romans 5:1-2, Says: Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Paul wrote in Romans 8:28: “And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.”

Philippians 4:7: And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.