



FROM THE BIBLE
John 16:31-33 (TPT)
Romans 5:1-2 (NLT)
Matthew 11:28 (NLT)
Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE

Week 4 | Peace Is Closer Than You Think

1. Joel opened this message by telling a story about losing his phone & uprooting the entire house looking for it...only to have Stacy ask him...*is your phone in your pocket?* It was. What's the one thing you lose the most?
2. In this message, we said that sometimes we forget what we have right in our pocket which is the peace of Jesus. Read John 16:31-33 & talk about what Jesus has overcome that should give us peace that He can overcome whatever we're facing?
3. On a scale of 1-10 (1 meaning...your life soundtrack is *don't worry about a thing*; 10 meaning...your literally named Nervous Nancy)...how much does *fear, anxiety, worry, & pressure* impact you from day to day?
4. One reason we can have peace is because of salvation. Read Romans 5:1-2 which breaks down what salvation is. One Bible translation says that because of Jesus, we stand *flawless* in God's eyes. How does that impact you? Do you believe it?
5. Joel said that we can *access God's peace everyday*. What are some ways we can tap into God's peace?
6. In this message, we learned the smartphones in our pockets are over 1 million times more powerful than all of NASA's computers that sent the 1st man to the moon & yet, we normally only scratch the surface of our phones power. How is this similar to how we interact with God's power in our lives?
7. Read Matthew 11:28. Jesus asks us to *come to me* with our fear, anxiety, worry, & pressure. Sometimes we go other places instead...can you give some examples?
8. Joel told a story about his son Nixon playing at the park in the rain. The rain didn't bring him down. The point he was making was *what if we could smile when life starts raining on us? What if we could still worship God when we're losing?* Do you think this is possible & if so, how?
9. Read Philippians 4:6-7 and discuss why it's so important to *pray before you panic*.
10. How did this message help remind you that *peace is closer than you think?*