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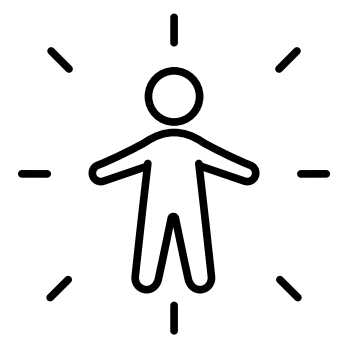
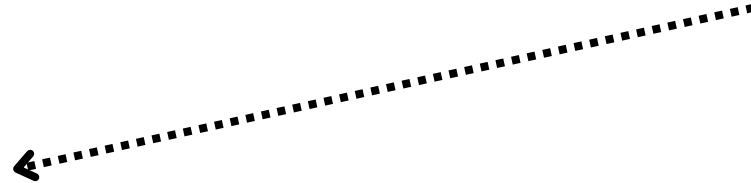
ADVENT: LOOKING TO THE PAST TO BUILD
ANTICIPATION FOR THE FUTURE IN THE PRESENT.





PEACE IS THE ABSENCE
OF CONFLICT.

CONFLICT
WITH OTHERS

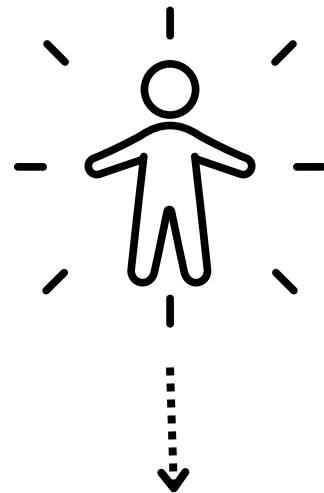


“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven . . . a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.”

ECCLESIASTES 3:1, 8

“When you draw near to a city to fight against it, offer terms of peace to it.”

DEUTERONOMY 20:10



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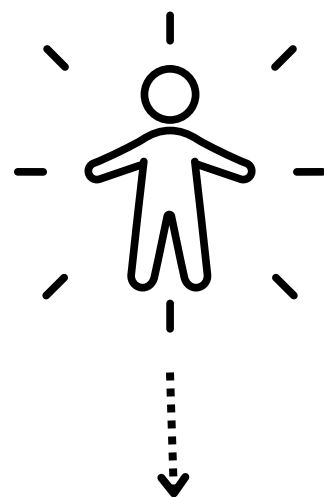
CONFLICT
WITH NATURE

“I will give peace in the land, and you shall lie down, and none shall make you afraid. And I will remove harmful beasts from the land.”

DEUTERONOMY 26:6

“A great windstorm arose, and the waves were breaking into the boat, so that the boat was already filling. . . . And Jesus awoke and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, ‘Peace! Be still!’ And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.”

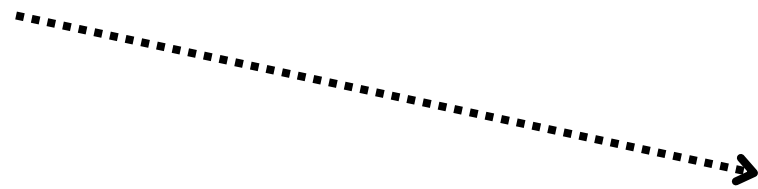
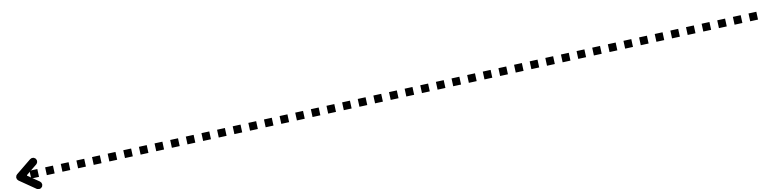
MARK 4:37-39



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CONFLICT
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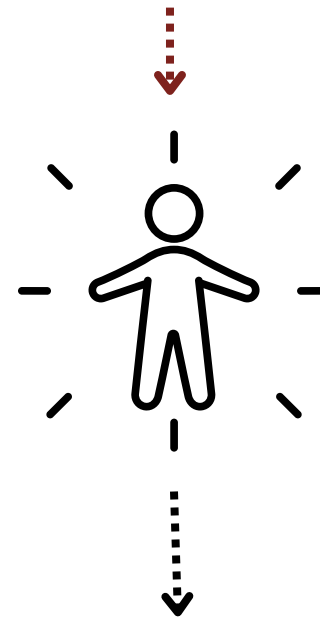
“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”

JOHN 14:27

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the **peace** of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

PHILIPPIANS 4:6-7

CONFLICT
WITH GOD



CONFLICT
WITH OTHERS

CONFLICT
WITH NATURE

CONFLICT
WITH SELF

“Just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin,
and so death spread to all men because all sinned.”

ROMANS 5:12

HOW DO WE GET PEACE?



To us a child is born,
to us a son is given;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called
Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

ISAIAH 9:6

“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.”

JOHN 16:33



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