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Part 2: Peace in the Storm

Objective: To remind us that Jesus is the peace we need, when life becomes stormy..

Read together:

An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. 10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people.

Luke 2:9-10

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.”

John 14:1

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

John 14:27

- As children, the things that ‘disturbed our peace’ were usually not as bad as we thought they were. (Storms, the dark, etc.). What are the things you encounter today that ‘disturb your peace?’
- When you find yourself in the middle of one of life’s storms, what is your first response? Where do you turn to find comfort in the storm?
- Jesus tells us that he has given us *HIS* peace. What is the difference between the peace of Jesus and the peace the world offers us? How can we access the peace Jesus offers to us?

Read Together:

“In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

John 16:33

- Jesus tells us to expect difficulty, pain and trouble in this world. Then he tells us not to be troubled because he has overcome the world. What do you think it means when Jesus says, ‘Take heart, I have overcome the world.’? How does Jesus’ statement that he has overcome the world help you experience peace?
- What do you need to do in order to claim Jesus’ promise of peace to you?

Consider this week:

- When you feel like your life is being rocked by a storm, what will you do to experience the peace Jesus has promised you?

Final Thought: This life has plenty of trouble. That isn’t surprising. But the surprising peace of Jesus allows us to face the storms without fear.



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