#### **WORSHIP NOTES**

# 12-14-25 - The Light that makes PEACE — LIGHT OF THE WORLD Advent Series

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

#### Isaiah 9:6-7 NIV

6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, ...he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

7 Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. ...

#### Philippians 4:6-7 NIV

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

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

Let's join together in prayer -- to *Invite*, to *Welcome*, & to *Host* the Holy Spirit into this place!

#### **MESSAGE**

#### John 1:4-5 NIV

4 In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

#### John 8:12 NIV

12 When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

### Will & Ariel Durant quote:

"War is one of the constants of history, and has not diminished with civilization and democracy. In the last 3,421 years of recorded history, only 268 have seen no war."

#### **Luke 2:14 NIV**

14 "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

#### 4 Questions to unpack this light that makes PEACE.

#### **#1 WHAT IS PEACE?**

"Shalom is the way things ought to be."

#### **#2 WHERE IS PEACE MOST IMPORTANT? With God!**

#### Romans 8:7-8 ESV

7 For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot.

8 Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

#### Ephesians 2:1–3 ESV

2 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins

2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—

3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

#### **#3 HOW DO WE GET THIS PEACE?**

We'll work to achieve peace. OR We will open our hands to receive peace.

#### Romans 5:1 ESV

5 Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### #4 WHAT DOES PEACE DO TO A PERSON?

#### Romans 12:18 ESV

18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.

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- 3. We <u>pursue</u> salvations and baptisms in the name of Jesus.
- 4. We receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit.
- 5. We equip disciples to love and serve in their spiritual gifts.



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