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*A Blessed Life*  
in a Fallen World



# Making Peace

Matthew 5:9

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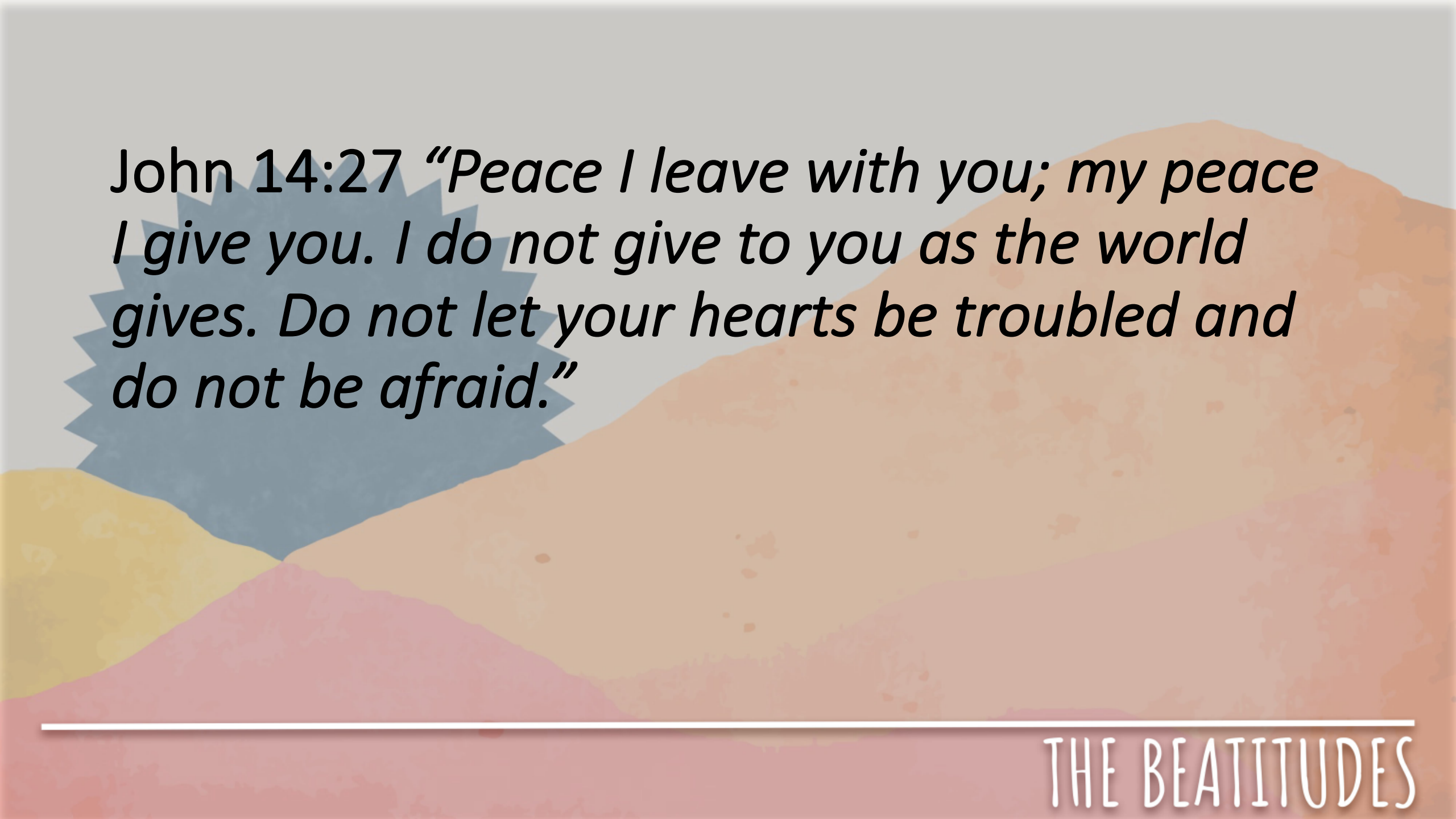
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*“A great many people are trying to make peace, but that has already been done. God has not left it for us to do; all we have to do is to enter into it.” Dwight L Moody*

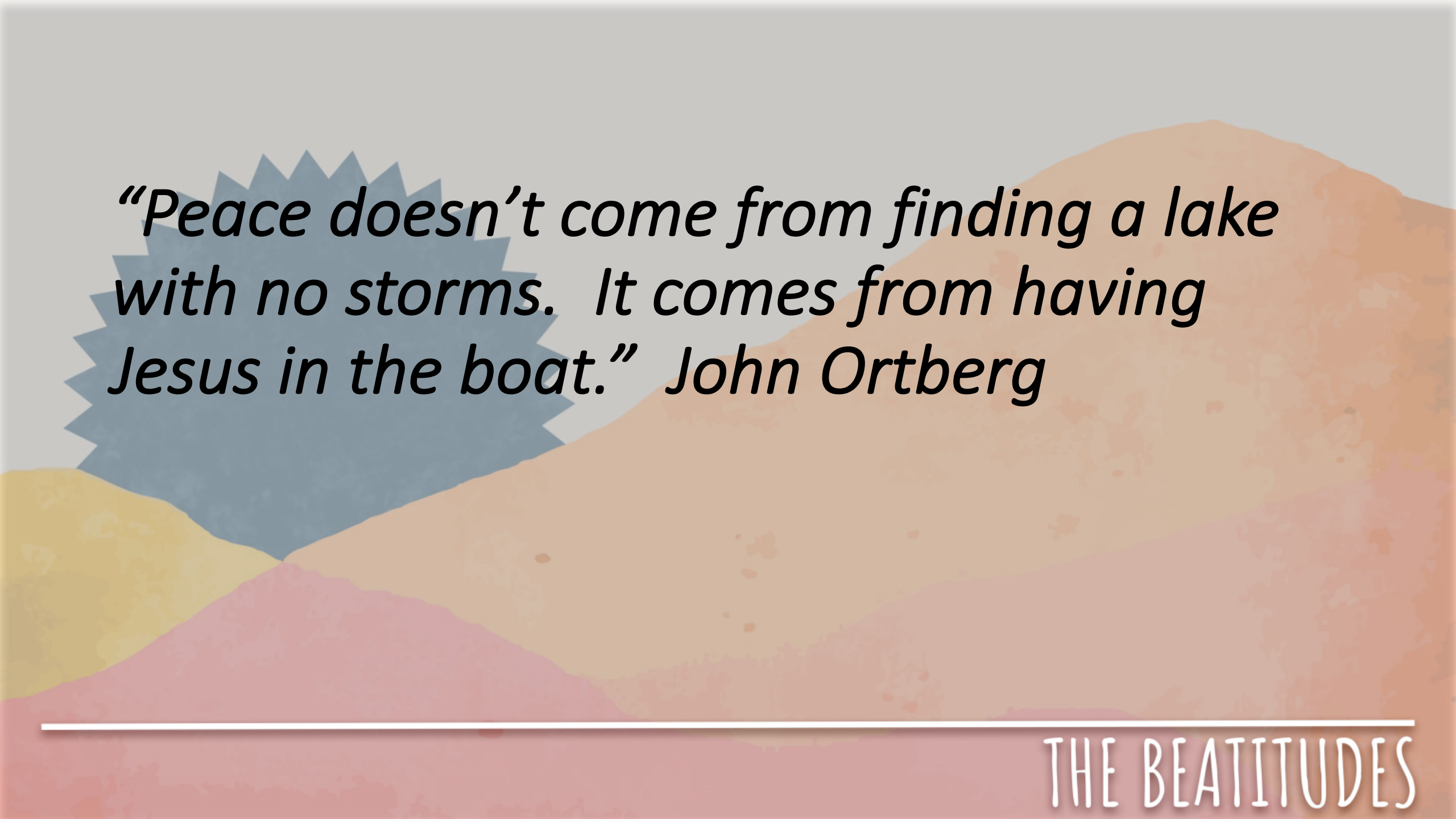


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“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.”



*John 14:27 "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."*



*“Peace doesn’t come from finding a lake with no storms. It comes from having Jesus in the boat.” John Ortberg*

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3 “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 “Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5 “Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

6 “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

7 “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

8 “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.



9 “Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

10 “Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

# Matthew 5:3–10

## Arch Structure

### GUIDING PRINCIPLES

Arch / Keystone

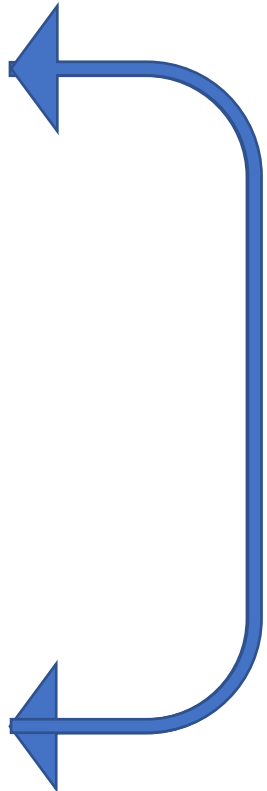
### OUTCOME

### CONDITION

- 1 Blessed are...
- 2 Blessed are...
- 3 Blessed are...
- 4 Blessed are...
- 5 Blessed are...
- 6 Blessed are...
- 7 Blessed are...
- 8 Blessed are...

the poor in spirit  
they that mourn  
the meek  
they that hunger and  
thirst after righteousness  
the merciful  
the pure in heart  
the peacemakers  
those persecuted for  
righteousness' sake,  
reproached and  
accused falsely of evil

theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
they shall be comforted.  
they shall inherit the earth.  
they shall be filled.  
they shall obtain mercy.  
they shall see God.  
they shall be called sons of God.  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



**IN HEAVEN**  
**ON EARTH**

**EMPTY OF SELF**

1 Poor  
in Spirit

2 Mourn

3 Meek

4 Hunger  
& Thirst

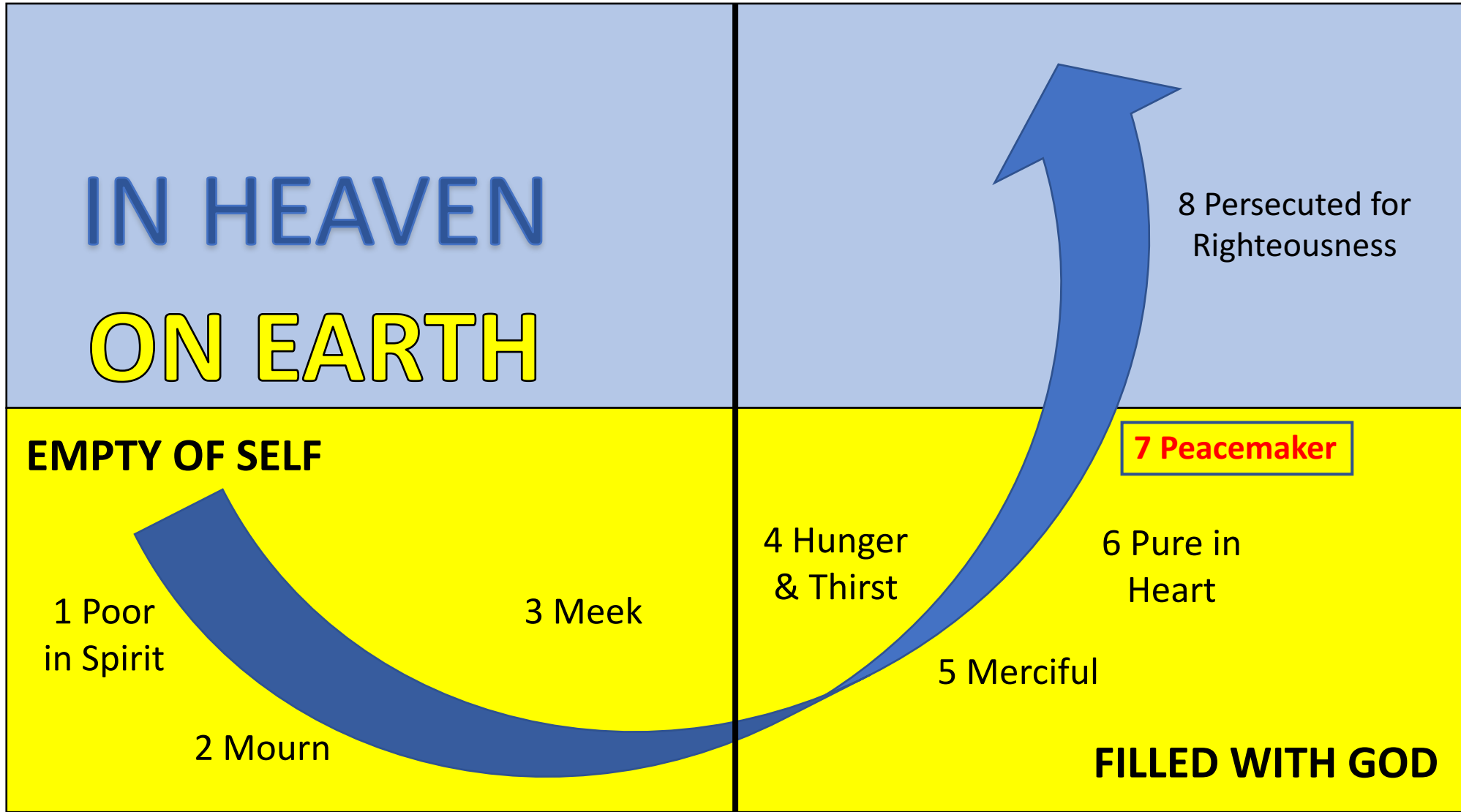
5 Merciful

6 Pure in  
Heart

**7 Peacemaker**

8 Persecuted for  
Righteousness

**FILLED WITH GOD**





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# Peace with the World

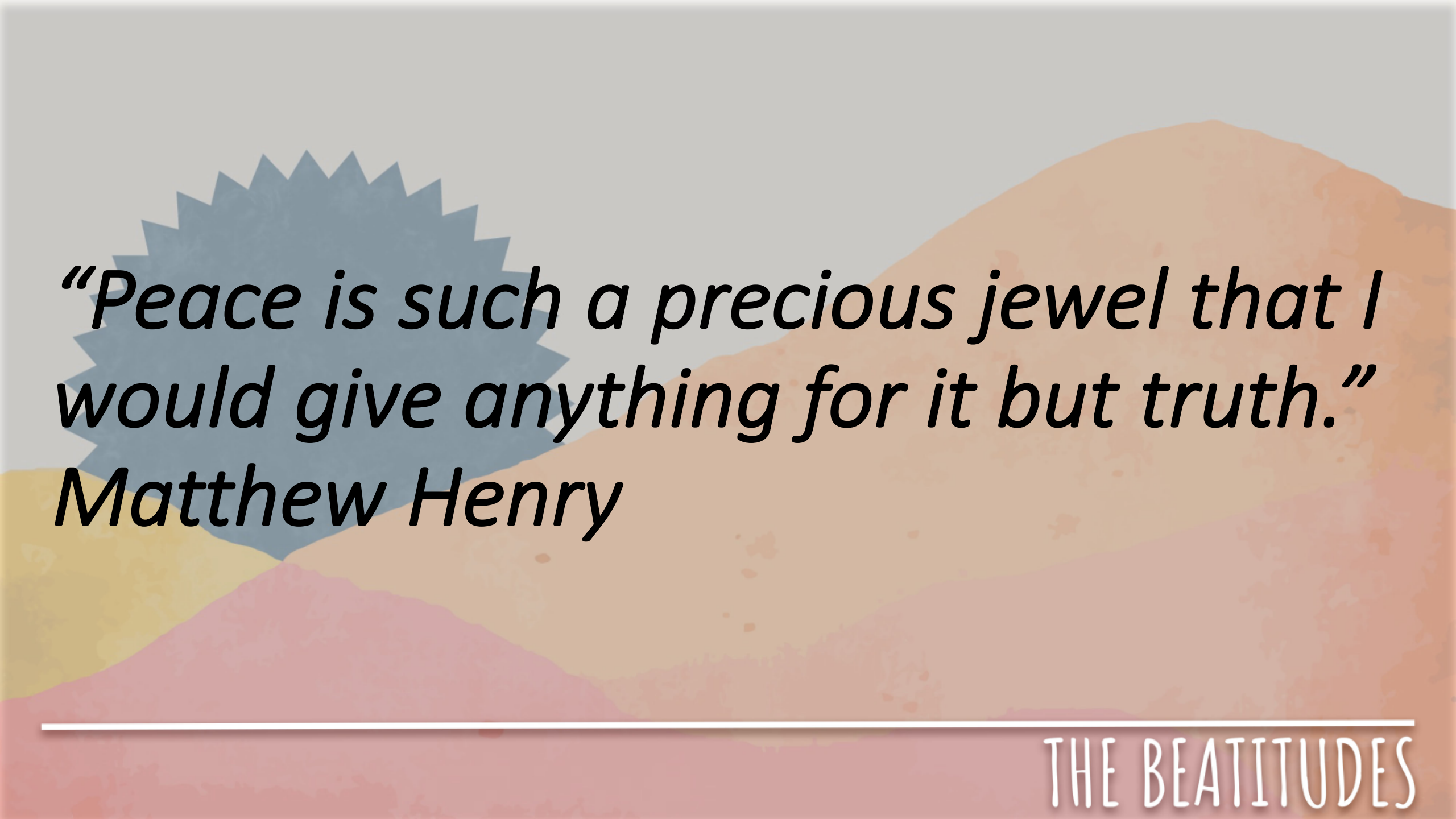
- Not the design – “Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God.” James 4:4
- Not the desire – “Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him.” 1 Jn 2:15
- Not the delight - “Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.” Psa 37:4



*“As we pour out our bitterness, God pours in his peace.” F.B. Meyer*

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*“Peace is such a precious jewel that I would give anything for it but truth.”*  
*Matthew Henry*



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# Peace with believers

- Love seen from God – Romans 5:8
- Love seen in Christ – John 3:16
- Love seen through us – 1 John 3:16
- “Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.” John 13:35 NLT

*“God cannot give us a happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing!”*

*C.S. Lewis*

*Col 3:15 “Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.”*



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# Peace with God

- Peace of God – Php 4:7 (*‘exceeding understanding’*)
- Peace from God – Rom 1:7 (12x)
- Peace with God – Rom 5:1
  - Rom 5:1 *“Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”*

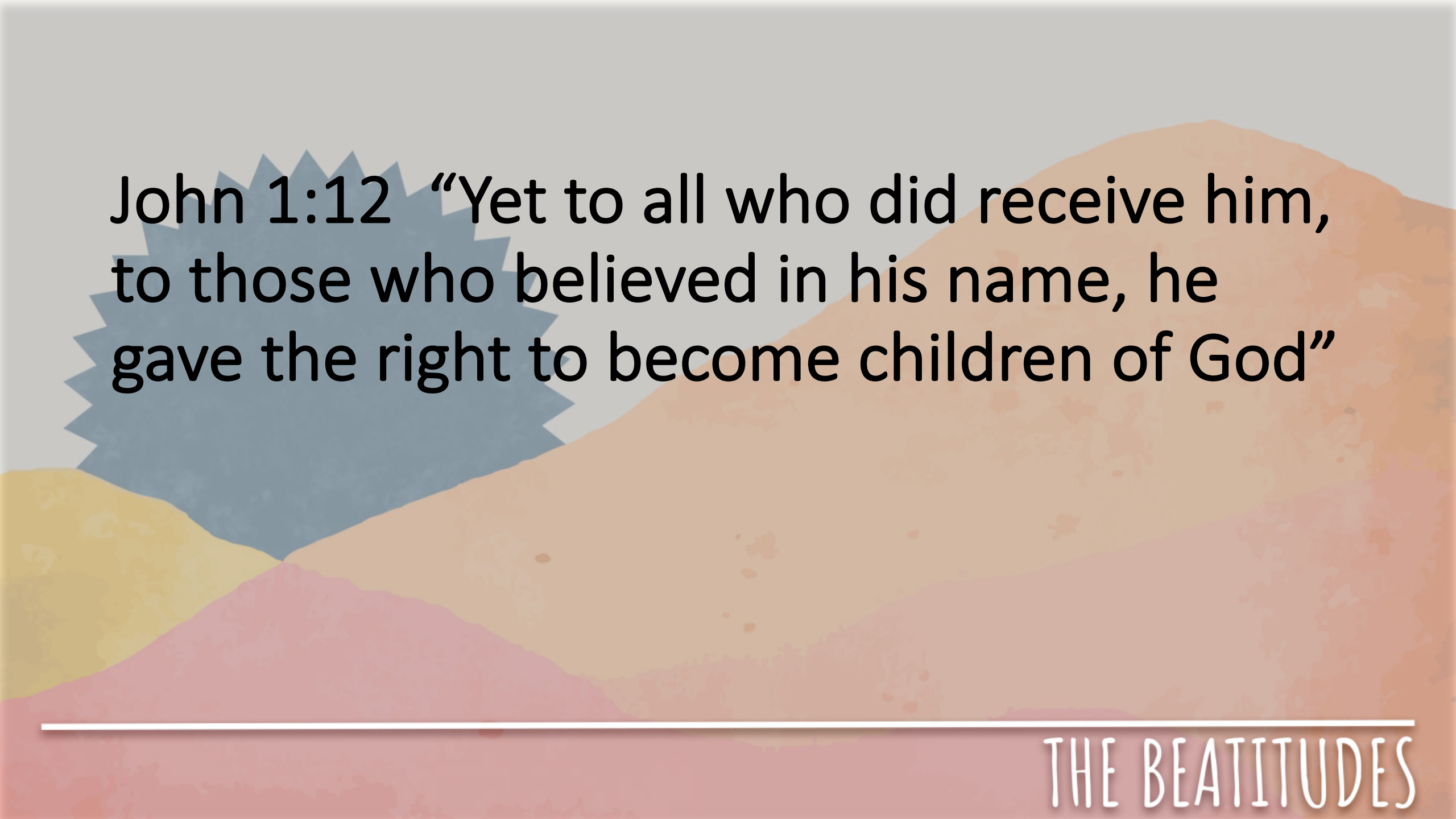
*“Christ died He left a will in which He gave His soul to His Father, His body to Joseph of Arimathea, His clothes to the soldiers, and His mother to John. But to His disciples, who had left all to follow Him, He left not silver or gold, but something far better – His PEACE!”*

Matthew Henry



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John 1:12 “Yet to all who did receive him,  
to those who believed in his name, he  
gave the right to become children of God”



# Making Peace

- Discipleship is sharing peace - “The angel answered and said to him, “I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God, and I have been sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news.” Luke 1:19
- Discipleship is showing peace - Luke 2:10 “But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people;”
- Discipleship is peace making! “sons of God”

*“God is a peace-loving God and a peacemaking God. The whole history of redemption, climaxing in the death and resurrection of Jesus, is God’s strategy to bring about a just and lasting peace between rebel man and Himself, and then between man and man.”*

*John Piper*



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