

Christmas Foretold: He Shall Be Their Peace

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I. Christmas Peace

II. The Messiah Will Rule

Micah 5:1-5

v. 1

Siege & Turmoil

v. 2

The Timeless Ruler

v. 3

The Right Time

v. 4-5

Strength, Majesty, Security

III. Lasting Peace

Personal Reflection (Mid-Week Devotion)

Take time this week to pray & reflect on the following:

“Peace on earth and good will to men” is an oft-communicated sentiment at Christmastime. Many assume that the message being conveyed is a call for people to be civil and kind toward one another. This understanding however, falls woefully short of the true meaning being communicated in Scripture.

The peace proclaimed by the heavenly host so long ago and that which we celebrate in the present at Christmas, is peace between God and man. It is healing of the rift created by sin.

Peace is more than an absence of conflict. It is the blessing of fellowship and love. Peace with God means freedom, hope and security. Jesus is the Messiah who brings peace to the world. In strength and majesty, He will return to rule and reign forever.

By God’s unfathomable grace and through His generous mercy, it is possible to have and to be, at peace. Have you accepted the gift of salvation and thereby entered into a peace-filled relationship with God? Are you secure in Him and ready for the day of His return? Are you actively sharing with others the way that they also can have peace with God?

Prayerfully ask God to reveal the condition of your relationship with Him. If you are lacking in peace of heart, mind or spirit, ask Him to lift your countenance and fix your gaze on His glory. Offer praise and thanksgiving to God for the love and security you have in Him.