

Pt.8 Making Peace in the Midst of Harassment

Matthew 5:9-10

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**Statement #2...** In our world, peace has merely become that glorious moment of silence, while everybody takes time to reload.

**Statement #3...** We don't have political peace, we don't have economic peace, we don't have social peace, or domestic peace.

**Question...** How do I handle the harassment that Jesus promised to those who will commit themselves to Him?

**Answer... EXPECT IT**

Facts About Persecution... for those who are Christ followers concerning this matter of harassment for our faith.

Fact #1... Persecution Comes in Various Forms

Fact #2... If You Live Like Christ You'll Be Treated Like Christ

Fact #3... It is a part of the Spiritual Battle we Face as Believers

⇒ **And yet, despite all that, the idea of peace dominates the Bible.**

**How to Have GOD'S PEACE in Your Own LIFE**

Step #1 -- UNDERSTAND GOD'S PURPOSE

Step #2 - RECOGNIZE OUR PROBLEM... SEPARATION

Step #3 - ACCEPT GOD'S REMEDY... THE CROSS

Step #4 - ACTIVATE OUR RESPONSE: RECEIVE CHRIST

Step #5 - LIVE YOUR LIFE IN GOD'S PEACE

**How To Be A Peacemaker**

- 1) Pray for them
- 2) Empathize with their situation
- 3) Accept them as they are
- 4) Communicate clearly
- 5) Expect results

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