

BE COOL: PEACE

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I. IN A WORLD OF OUTRAGE BE A PERSON OF PEACE.

Romans 14:17-18 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and receives human approval.

P – PERSPECTIVE

Romans 14:13 Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.

- *At some point you have to decide what things are just not that important.*

Isaiah 40:21-22 Do you not know? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood since the earth was founded? He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers. He stretches out the heavens like a canopy, and spreads them out like a tent to live in.

E – EFFECT

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- *My life tends to get loud in the absence of peace.*

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- *My life tends to become insecure in the absence of peace.*

A – ACCESS

Romans 5:1-2 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.

- *Peace is vertical.*

C – CHOICE

Romans 14:19-20 Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food.

- *Peace is horizontal.*
- *You will never truly know horizontal peace without vertical peace.*

E – EMPOWERMENT WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Romans 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit,

Romans 8:6 The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.

- *The Holy Spirit can bring peace to our lives.*

Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.