In the same region the	re were shepherds staying in Luke 2:8	the fields and keeping	watch
And an angel of the Lord sudo	denly stood before them, and they were		shone around them; and
The angel said to them, "Do no all the people; for today in	ot be afraid; for behold, I bri n the city of David there has Luke 2:10-1	been born for you a Sa	• •
This will be a sign for y	you: you will find a baby wro	apped in cloths and	Luke 2:12
And suddenly there appeared Glory to God i	d with the angel a multitude on the highest, and on earth p		
When the angels had gone awa go straight to and			
So they came in a hurry and fo	ound their way to Mary and .	Joseph, and the baby a	s He Luke 2:16
When they had seen this, they all who heard it won	made known the statement v dered at the things which we		
But M	lary treasured all these thing	rs Luke 2:19	)
The shepherds went back	God for all that they Luke 2:20	had heard and seen, ju	st as had been told them.
Glory to God in th	e highest, and on earth peac	e, good will toward me	en. Luke 2:14
Do not think that I came t	to bring peace on the earth; I Matthew 10:3	Č	peace, but a sword.
Glory to God in the hi	ighest heaven, and on earth p Luke 2:14	peace to those on whom	n his favor rests.

The peace of God is not for all men but only those who receive Him as savior.

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

Luke 2:14

Favor is something that is given to us by God and freely accepted by us.

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

Romans 5:1

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; for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior who is Christ the Lord.

Luke 2:10-11

## The peace of God is available no matter what the circumstances might be.

When the angels had gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds **began saying to one another**, "Let us go straight to Bethlehem, and see this thing that has happened which the Lord has made known to us."

Luke 2:15

### When we lack the courage to face our circumstances.

These things I have spoken to you, so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation but take courage; I have overcome the world. John 16:33

### When we focus our attention on the wrong things.

The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:9

### When we forget that God is with us through our circumstances.

Now may the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance. The Lord be with you all! 2 Thessalonians 3:16

You, Lord, give true peace to those who depend on you because they trust you. NCV Isaiah 26:3

#### The peace of God is found when we make our way into His presence.

So they came in a hurry and found their way to Mary and Joseph, and the baby as He lay in the manger.

Luke 2:16

The peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:7

The peace of God is found in becoming a peacemaker not a peacekeeper.

What is the difference in a peacemaker and a peacekeeper?

Peacemakers carry the message that peace is found in Jesus.

When they had seen this, they made known the statement which had been told them about this Child. And all who heard it wondered at the things which were told them by the shepherds. Luke 2:17-18

Peacemakers are not willing to set aside the truth.

But Mary treasured all these things pondering them in her heart. Luke 2:19

# Peacemakers are actively involved not passively silent.

The shepherds went back, glorifying, and praising God for all that they had heard and seen, just as had been told them. Luke 2:20

Pursue peace with all men, and the sanctification without which no one will see the Lord.

Hebrews 12:14