

HOW TO HAVE A PEACEFUL LIFE

John 14:1, 27

INTRODUCTION

In a world filled with turmoil, sensible people are searching for lasting peace. Sadly, many are experiencing a false peace based on deception which offers no true hope or satisfaction in life. Real peace is only found in a genuine relationship with God through His Son, Jesus Christ!

I. WHAT DOES THE WORD "PEACEFUL" MEAN?

- A. "Undisturbed by _____, turmoil or disagreement; tranquil."
-American Heritage Dictionary
- B. The Scottish preacher, George Morrison, defined peace as "the possession of adequate _____."
- God has _____ His children with physical and spiritual resources available to us through _____ - Psalm 34:10; 84:11; Ephesians 1:3
- C. First, there must be peace _____ God - Romans 5:1
- D. Next, there must be the peace _____ God - Philippians 4:6,7

II. WHAT DOES GOD SAY ABOUT A PEACEFUL LIFE?

- A. A peaceful life comes through _____ Christ _____ - John 16:33; II Thessalonians 1:2
- B. A peaceful life comes through _____ power - Romans 15:13; Galatians 5:22-25
- C. A peaceful life comes through _____ - Psalm 119:165; Colossians 3:15,16
- D. A peaceful life comes through living an _____ life - Proverbs 16:7; Isaiah 57:21
- E. A peaceful life comes through _____ to spiritual leadership - I Thessalonians 5:12,13

- F. A peaceful life comes through _____ in _____ - Philippians 4:6-9
- G. A peaceful life comes through complete _____ in a loving and powerful _____ - Psalm 29:11; 56:3,4; 85:8

III. WHAT STEPS CAN WE TAKE TO PURSUE AND PRACTICE A PEACEFUL LIFE?

- A. Renew your _____ - Romans 12:1,2; II Corinthians 10:3-5; Philippians 2:5-8
- A renewed mind is a mind of _____ - v.7; John 5:19, 30; 6:38
 - A renewed mind is a mind of _____ - v.8; John 8:29
- B. Accept God's _____ of peace-John 14:27; 20:19, 21, 26; II Thessalonians 3:16

“In 1969, the Beatles recorded a song entitled 'Give Peace a Chance,' with this refrain: 'All we are saying is give peace a chance.' Politically, peace is indeed a chancy thing, but spiritually, peace is a sure thing if the Prince of Peace reigns in our hearts.”

—Warren W. Wiersbe