

“O Little Town of Bethlehem”

Luke 2:1-7

“For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.” *Isaiah 9:6 (NASB)*

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.”
Luke 2:14 (NIV)

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.” *John 14:27 (NIV)*

1. The Pursuit of Peace

- Peace _____.

“Therefore, since we have been made right in God’s sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.” *Romans 5:1 (NLT2)*

- Peace _____.

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body; and be thankful.” *Colossians 3:15 (NASB)*

- Peace _____.

“If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.” *Romans 12:18 (NASB)*

2. The Path to Peace

- a. I must _____ a moment of clarity.

“pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,” *Ephesians 1:18 (NASB)*

- b. I must _____ my obedience to God.

“Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments! Then your peace would have been like a river, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea;” *Isaiah 48:18 (ESV)*

- c. I must _____ an attitude of humility.

LORD, you will grant us peace; all we have accomplished is really from you. *Isaiah 26:12 (NLT2)*

“Don’t worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses every thought, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.” *Philippians 4:6-7 (HCSB)*