

IN STEP THE POWER OF WALKING WITH GOD

Peace

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Galatians 5:22-23 *But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.*

Being in step with the Spirit is not a list to accomplish, but a process to embrace

BIBLICAL PEACE:

1. Shalom - Old Testament
2. Eirene - New Testament

HOW DO WE GET PEACE?

Through Jesus, we receive peace

- **Romans 5:1** *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.*

Through the Holy Spirit, we experience peace

- **Philippians 4:6-7** *Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.*

Through faith, we live out peace

- **Romans 14:19** *Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.*
- **Luke 8:22-25** *One day Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake." So they got into a boat and started out. As they sailed across, Jesus settled down for a nap. But soon a fierce storm came down on the lake. The boat was filling with water, and they were*

in real danger. The disciples went and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we're going to drown!" When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and the raging waves. Suddenly the storm stopped and all was calm. Then he asked them, "Where is your faith?" The disciples were terrified and amazed. "Who is this man?" they asked each other. "When he gives a command, even the wind and waves obey him!"

Peace is not the absence of problems but the presence of a person

HOW TO EXPERIENCE DAILY PEACE?

1. Surrender
2. Trust
3. Abide

STEP UP: How can you trust, surrender, and abide the next time you are feeling a lack of peace?

STEP IN: What ways are you seeking peace that aren't working?

STEP OUT: Who in your life needs you to offer them true peace?

Prayer from John Stott:

Heavenly Father, I pray that this day I may live in your presence and please you more and more. Lord Jesus, I pray that this day I may take up my cross and follow you. Holy Spirit, I pray that this day you will fill me with yourself and cause your fruit to ripen in my life: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control.

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