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THE LOSS OF PEACE

Genesis 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...and God created light...and God created water...and God created animals...and God created mankind...and it was good.

Genesis 3:1-7 The Serpent said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'? That's not true"... and so they ate.

Genesis 3:9-10 The Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?" He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid. And God said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"

Genesis 3:11-12 The man said, "The woman you put here with me - she gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it."

• The Biblical story tells us our lack of peace is a ______ of God's original design.

GOD'S RESTORATION OF GLOBAL PEACE

Isaiah 9:6-7 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of PEACE. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end...

Luke 2:10-14 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth PEACE to those on whom his favor rests."

Revelation 11:15 ...and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: "The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever."

In Advent, God invites us to hope in the _____ peace that will one day come to the earth.

OUR EXPERIENCE OF PERSONAL PEACE

Colossians 1:15-20 The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making PEACE through his blood, shed on the cross.

In Advent, God provides the means for a ______ peace with God.

1 John 5:11-12 And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. ¹² Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

John 14:27 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 14:23 "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.

In Advent, we can experience practical peace from God's ______

Colossians 3:15-16 Let the PEACE of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to PEACE. And be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly....

In Advent, we can experience practical peace from God's ______.

Philippians 4:6-7 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the PEACE of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

. In Advent, we can experience practical peace from being with God in _____





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