

PEACE THROUGH THE CROSS

Peace – comes from our thinking process, and remember you have a natural mind and you have a spiritual mind and we choose which one we use to process what we are going through at any given time.

True peace comes through our spiritual mind, not the natural thinking process.

Isaiah 26:3 - You will guard him and keep him in perfect and constant peace whose mind [both its inclination and its character] is stayed on You, because he commits himself to You, leans on You, and hopes confidently in You. <u>AMPLIFIED BIBLE - God's peace is independent of outside conditions and is the fruit of an objective, real salvation with God.</u>

Psalms 119:165 Great peace have those who love Your law, And nothing causes them to stumble. NKJV

John 14:27 "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid. NLT

John 16:33 These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." NKJV Trouble, affliction, persecution, distress.

Rom 8:6 For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. NKJV

Luke 9:23-26

- **Will** Desire, implying active volition and purpose, to have in mind, intend, please.
- Come to go, implying motion from one place to another. (two minds)
- **Deny** To deny oneself is to repudiate the gratification of those desires and values which are exclusively self-centered rather than God-centered. This is not to say that the believer can not have any personal values, desires, or goals which may exist legitimately; but it does mean that such should exist within the context of God's will. It does not imply that personal needs not be met; but these will be viewed in the context of God being glorified.



Self-denial is to take self out of the driver's seat so that God might occupy that place. It is to deny the natural mind the right or mastery over one's life. Peter's denying Jesus illustrates that denial involves a decision to disassociate oneself from the person or object denied. Christ taught that the decision to deny self should be radical and decisive, and be on a daily basis. Plil.3:7-11; Tit.2:11-12; Rom.6:6-7, 8:12-14; Gal.5:16-17, 24; Col.3:5-10; 1 Pet.2:11-12

- Cross The cross was an instrument of most dreadful and agonizing torture. Persons sentenced to be crucified were first scourged and then made to bear their own cross to the place of execution. A label or title was usually placed on the chest or over the criminal. Crucifixion was at once an execution, and an instrument of torture. Gal.6:14; Phil.2:5-8
- **Daily** Particularly the time from one sunrise or sunset to another, a day and a night.
- **Follow** The individual calling to follow Jesus involved abiding fellowship with Him, not only for the sake of learning as a scholar from his teacher, but also for the sake of the salvation known or looked for which presented itself in such fellowship. Matt.19:21; Luke 9:61

The first thing involved in following Jesus is a cleaving to him in believing trust and obedience. Those cleaving to Him must also follow His leading and act according to His example. Jn.8:12; 10:4-5, 27

Therefore, constant stress is laid by the Lord Jesus upon the need for self denial and fellowship of the cross. Mk.8:34-38; Jn.12:24-26

Heb.4:11-12

Vs.11 Enter that rest – that place of peace where the flesh has no effect or control

over your spirit. You are not laboring for God through your flesh but out of your spirit you serve Him.

Disobedience - Unbelief, unwillingness to be persuaded, willful unbelief

Vs.12 Piercing – This is a spiritual piercing and division, this deals with your spirit and your soul. It will keep both in line if you will allow it too.
Joints and marrow – Joints are what hold things together and marrow is where blood or life is produced.



<u>Thoughts</u> – the thinking or thought process <u>Intents</u> – (ennoia) from the word nous – the spiritual mind, thoughts intentions, purpose

There isn't a thought you have had, or will have, or are having that the Word of God can't deal with or take care of.

Peace Scriptures

Php 3:7 Yet all of the accomplishments that I once took credit for, I've now forsaken them and I regard it all as nothing compared to the delight of experiencing Jesus Christ as my Lord!

Php 3:8 To truly know him meant letting go of everything from my past and throwing all my boasting on the garbage heap. It's all like a pile of manure to me now, so that I may be enriched in the reality of knowing Jesus Christ and embrace him as Lord in all of his greatness.

Php 3:9 My passion is to be consumed with him and not clinging to my own "righteousness" based in keeping the written Law. My "righteousness" will be his, based on the faithfulness of Jesus Christ—the very righteousness that comes from God.

Php 3:10 And I continually long to know the wonders of Jesus more fully and to experience the overflowing power of his resurrection working in me. I will be one with him in his sufferings and I will be one with him in his death.

Php 3:11 Only then will I be able to experience complete oneness with him in his resurrection from the realm of death. TPT – The Passion Trans.

Tit 2:11 God's marvelous grace has manifested in person, bringing salvation for everyone.

Tit 2:12 This same grace teaches us how to live each day as we turn our backs on ungodliness and indulgent lifestyles, and it equips us to live self-controlled, upright, godly lives in this present age. TPT

Rom 6:6 Could it be any clearer that our former identity is now and forever deprived of its power? For we were co-crucified with him to dismantle the stronghold of sin within us, so that we would not continue to live one moment longer submitted to sin's power. Rom 6:7 Obviously, a dead person is incapable of sinning. TPT

Rom 8:12 So then, beloved ones, the flesh has no claims on us at all, and we have no further obligation to live in obedience to it.



Rom 8:13 For when you live controlled by the flesh, you are about to die. But if the life of the Spirit puts to death the corrupt ways of the flesh, we then taste his abundant life.

Rom 8:14 The mature children of God are those who are moved by the impulses of the Holy Spirit.

Gal 5:16 As you yield freely and fully to the dynamic life and power of the Holy Spirit, you will abandon the cravings of yourself - life.

Gal 5:17 For your self - life craves the things that offend the Holy Spirit and hinder him from living free within you! And the Holy Spirit's intense cravings hinder your old self - life from dominating you! So then, the two incompatible and conflicting forces within you are your self - life of the flesh and the new creation life of the Spirit. TPT

Gal 5:24 Keep in mind that we who belong to Jesus, the Anointed One, have already experienced crucifixion. For everything connected with our self - life was put to death on the cross and crucified with Messiah.

Gal 5:25 We must live in the Holy Spirit and follow after him. TPT

Col 3:5 Live as one who has died to every form of sexual sin and impurity. Live as one who died to diseases, and desires for forbidden things, including the desire for wealth, which is the essence of idol worship.

Col 3:6 When you live in these vices you ignite the anger of God against these acts of disobedience.

Col 3:7 (7-8) That's how you once behaved, characterized by your evil deeds. But now it's time to eliminate them from your lives once and for all—anger, fits of rage, all forms of hatred, cursing, filthy speech,

Col 3:9 and lying. Lay aside your old Adam-self with its masquerade and disguise.

Col 3:10 For you have acquired new creation life which is continually being renewed into the likeness of the One who created you; giving you the full revelation of God. TPT

1Pe 2:11 My divinely loved friends, since you are resident aliens and foreigners in this world, I appeal to you to divorce yourselves from the evil desires that wage war within you.

1Pe 2:12 Live honorable lives as you mix with unbelievers, even though they accuse you of being evildoers. For they will see your beautiful works and have a reason to glorify God in the day he visits us. TPT

Php 4:7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. NKJV