

PRINCE OF PEACE: Isaiah 9:6

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- **Q.** What does Isaiah mean when he says that Jesus is our “Prince of Peace”? **A.** He means this:
- **Jesus is the Royal Son** who came from heaven to earth in order to establish the peace we all long for & desperately need.
- **God has not sent an convoy of delegates or angels to establish peace, He has sent His only Son—He was born / given.**

1. JESUS IS THE PRINCE THAT BRINGS PEACE BETWEEN GOD AND MAN

- **This is the news the angels announced to the Shepherds in Luke 2:14:** “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”
- **This is the peace the Apostle Paul announced to all who belong to Jesus in Romans 5:1:** “Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

Q. What does it mean that Christians have *PEACE* with God?

- **1) We forever have God’s smile**
(Romans 5:1, 4 “We have peace with God... [and] God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us”).
- **2) We have bold access to the throne of grace to find help in time of need**
(Hebrews 4, “Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”)
- **3) We need not fear death or the return of Jesus**
(Philippians 1:23, “I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.”)
(Hebrews 9:28, “so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.”)

2. JESUS IS THE PRINCE WHO BRINGS PEACE BETWEEN MAN AND MAN

- **Through his work on the cross, Jesus has not only reconciled us to God, He has reconciled us to one another.**
- (Ephesians 2:14-16, “For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility **15** by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, **16** and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.”)
- **The work of Christ on the cross is the only means by which any of us will have true peace with one another.**
- **Q.** Why? **A.** Because what the cross reveals is this:
- **“First**, I am so wicked Jesus had to die. **Second**, at the same time, I am so loved He was willing to die.”

3. JESUS IS THE PRINCE WHO BRINGS PEACE BETWEEN CREATION AND MAN

- **Q.** Do you ever wonder why it seems we are at *WAR* with the creation? **A...**
- **It is because “20...**the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope **21** that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. **22** For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now.” Romans 8:20-22 (Jesus will reverse the curse)
- **That’s why Isaiah says this in Isaiah 11:6-9,**
6 The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. 7 The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. 8 The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. 9 They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea.
- **This is what Isaac Watts meant when he wrote verse 3 of Joy To The World:**
“No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.”

3. JESUS IS THE PRINCE WHO BRINGS PEACE WITHIN YOURSELF

- **Hear Jesus in John 14:27:** “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.”
- **Because,** ”he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.” (**Philippians 1:6**)
- **How? As we established earlier,** “What the cross reveals is this: **First**, I am so wicked Jesus had to die. **Second**, at the same time, I am so loved He was willing to die.”
- **AW PINK was correct when he wrote,** “[Jesus] foresaw my every fall, my every sin, my every backsliding; yet, nevertheless, fixed His heart upon me.”
- **Q. Do you know yourself to be a sinner? A. Good.**
- **Turn from your sin and trust in Jesus alone.**
“This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.”
- **He is the Prince of Peace, giving peace with yourself, creation, other men, and most importantly with God.**