

Messenger of Truth

"Holding forth the Word of Life" (Phil. 2:16)

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## **Peace Within**

"Peace is such a precious jewel that I would give anything for it but truth." – Matthew Henry

"Peace is the masterpiece of reason." – J. Muller

"But the real and lasting victories are those of peace, and not of war." – Ralph Waldo Emerson,  
*The Conduct of Life*, "Worship"

"You find peace not be rearranging the circumstances of your life, but by realizing who you are at the deepest level." – Eckhart Tolle.

True peace is found within yourself. That is why Paul wrote the beautiful words, "Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus" (Phil. 4:6-7).

"Paul counsels us to take 'everything to God in prayer.' 'Don't worry about *anything*, but pray about *everything*!' is his admonition. We are prone to pray about the 'big things' in life and forget to pray about the so-called 'little things' – until they grow and become big things! Talking to God about *everything* that concerns us and Him is the first step toward victory over worry.'" (Warren W. Wiersbe, *Be Joyful*, p. 128)

What was it our Lord said? "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink; nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, for they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" (Matt. 6:25-26) And it was his apostle who admonished his readers, "Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you" (1 Pet. 5:7).

One cannot but help but be encouraged to read of Jesus intimate discussion with His disciples when He said, "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid" (John 14:27).

It is sad to see Christians struggling not knowing the peace that God gives. They try to keep one foot in the church and one foot in the world. Straddling the fence will not bring a peace that passes understanding. All that it will do, is bring a troubled heart and a level of anxiety that will cause one to eventually doubt God.