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THE PRINCE OF
PEACE

ISAIAH 9

A Fragmented Society

- As Que. increased use of day care, children's outcomes worsened in behavior and health
- Increasing number of young adults rated their mental health as poor 03 – 4.7; 13-7.1, 18-15%
- Daily alcohol drinking from 5.3 → 8.7%
- Cannabis use: 8.7%-96; 14.1%-13; 23% - 2018
- Elevated psychological distress, 13%-13; 34%-15
- On line Porn's income is more than the NFL, NBA, MLB combined

A Proclamation of Peace

- The Creation was subjected to futility
- Lk 2:14 – Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth, peace to men, on whom His favour rests
- John 14:27 – Peace I leave with you. My peace I give you. I do not give it to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be trouble and do not be afraid.
- Isa.9:6 – A child is born to us ... and he will be called ... Mighty God ... Prince of Peace

Prince of Shalom

- Heb. word for peace here is shalom
- To be safe in mind and body and estate
- To be whole, completed
- Absence of strife with God or men
- Isa.9:7 – increase of his government and PEACE there will be no end.
- It is about being complete, whole in God

The Peace of God

- NT Greek word for peace is really defined and enriched by the Hebrew word, shalom
- Originally meant the orderly life only possible with the absence of war, later adding inner life
- In the Bible, every use is rooted in one's relationship with God.
- Fragmented lives being made whole in Christ
- Becoming what God intended us to be

The Peace In God

- Mary is a wonderful example of Peace in and with God.
- Lk. 1:38 – Behold, I am the servant of the Lord: let it be to me according to your word.”
- God prepares us today for what we will receive tomorrow.
- Lauren Daigle – “You Say”



Finding The Peace of God

1. Admit your life, done your way, hasn't worked.
2. You must believe God is the only one who can bring wholeness and peace to your life
 - Stop looking for the affirmation of people
 - Stop measuring success by the world's standards and start using God's standards of measure
 - Start seeing Jesus as the only way to wholeness
3. We must make a decision to turn our will and our lives over God and say, "I am yours!"