"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."* ***Isaiah 9:6,7***

"We have ***PEACE*** *with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."* ***Romans 5:1***
"So now, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith in His promises, we can have ***REAL PEACE with Him because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us." Romans 5:1 LB***

The Satisfying Peace of Christmas

1. PEACE WITH GOD IS A GIFT TO US!

How do you respond to a gift? You ***must receive it and open it up!***

2. INVITE THE PRINCE OF PEACE INTO YOUR LIFE

"For God so greatly loves and dearly prizes you that He sent His one and only Son, Jesus. So that anyone who believes in Him shall NOT perish, but have ETERNAL life." ***John 3:16***

Each of us must take action to accept & receive God's gift to us – Jesus our Savior! ***ONLY He can satisfy the deepest needs of our life.***

" God who gives you hope will keep you happy ***and full of peace as you believe in Him." Romans 15:13***

Core Point: There is a satisfying peace that can only come from God our Father. This Peace comes through faith in Christ alone and is a promise to His people.

3. PEACE WITHIN US IS A GIFT TO US!

a. Learn to Use this Gift

*"**Let** the peace of God **RULE** in your hearts…." Colossians 3:15*
***"Let** the peace of heart which comes from Christ be always present in your hearts and lives, **for this IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY and PRIVILEGE.."** Colossians 3:15 - LB*

The Hebrew word for PEACE is Shalom, and it refers to a person who lets PEACE dominate, who has a calm inner stability that results in the ability to conduct themselves peacefully even in the midst of circumstances that would NORMALLY be very nerve-racking, traumatic, and upsetting.

Difficulties and **pressures of life WON'T BREAK YOU**. You are whole, complete, orderly, stable, victory achieved, poised for a blessing.

b. Become an Expert on God's Peace

"I am leaving you with a gift, peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give isn't fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid."
John 14:27

Make sure you pick up your gift of peace and begin to practice and become an expert at this gift!

c. Don't Ever Give His Peace Up

"He **WILL** keep in **perfect peace** ALL THOSE who trust in Him, whose thoughts turn often to the Lord!" **Isaiah 26:3**

"God wants me to have every kind of peace and blessing – especially peace with God and freedom from fears, agitations, and conflicts."
1 Peter 5:15 AMP

Core Statement: I serve Jesus, and before He was ever born, He was declared the Prince of Peace. I will partake of the Gift of Satisfying Peace from God! I will press in and find His peace no matter what obstacle or pressure I face. God's gift of Peace will Keep Me and See Me through!