

PEACE BY ALL MEANS

I. The God of Peace & the Lord of peace

A. Rom. 15:33; 16:20; 2 Thess. 3:16 ; OT, Jehovah Shalom

B. Peace – inner tranquility, rest, quietness, calmness; a feeling of safety and well being; to set at one again that which was separated

1. This peace works in the midst of adverse circumstances. Paul was in prison, facing death, stoned, beaten, & hounded by a mob
2. The peace & safety Jesus gives is not in the absence of trouble but the confidence that He is there with us and will never leave or forsake us

II. Peace by every manner, mode, and way

A. Phil. 4:4, 5 – Rejoice in the Lord and stay sweet toward people

B. Phil. 4:6, 7 – Refuse anxiety replacing it with believing prayer

(There is always peace when we believe Rom. 15:13)

C. Phil. 4:8 - Reload your mind with right thoughts (Is. 26:3)

D. Phil. 4:9 – Do what you've learned

E. Phil. 4:11 – 13 - Learn to be content no matter the circumstance