

## The Gifts of Christmas: PEACE

Scripture Reference: Luke 2:13-14

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!"

1. Peace is PROVIDED through Jesus.

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. (John 14:27)

- His peace is FOUNDATIONAL. (Romans 5:1)
- His peace is FUNCTIONAL. (Colossians 3:15)

2. Peace is PERFECTED in Jesus.

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:7)

- His peace is SUPERIOR.
- His peace is SUFFICIENT.

3. Peace must be PURSUED by me.

You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

Isaiah 26:3

- FOCUS on His PRESENCE
- TRUST in His PURPOSE