

Passing the Peace

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- Shalom or Peace, in the biblical context is a sense that everything is working together. It's the harmony of all things in right relationships to God and each other.
- Most of us think of peace as being free from pain, emotions or suffering.
- Peace does not mean that we will not suffer, only that suffering can not separate us from the love of God.
- Disasters/traumatic events impact people who have no conscious experience of God's presence and people who have a strong sense of God's loving presence.



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- God's peace is active and victorious in defeating evil.
- God passes His peace to us so that we will not fear.
- Our experience of peace is as strong as our experience with the presence of God.
- When we offer God's peace to others we are helping them perceive God's presence and helping them to begin to sense what God is showing them.
- The peace of Christ is powerful and His peace will establish them and bring them back to life.
- Healing is found not in the absence of pain but in the presence of Jesus (Immanuel – God with us).



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1. Take a few short breaths. Then find a memory where you felt grateful or peaceful.
2. Open your heart and see if you sense God's presence or until you feel peace. Ask Jesus what does He want to tell you in that memory.
3. Share your story of finding peace.

