

PEACE



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, goodwill toward men!" (Luke 2:8-20)

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace (Numbers 6:26).

The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace (Psalm 29:11).

Great peace have those who love Your law (Psalm 119:165).

Mark the blameless man, and observe the upright; for the future of that man is peace (Psalm 37:37).

For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder.
And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God,
Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace
Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end.
(Isaiah 9:6)

He will speak peace to His people (Psalm 84:8).

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him
who brings good news, who proclaims peace (Isaiah 52:7).

You will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You,
because he trusts in You (Isaiah 26:3).

Lord, You will establish peace for us,
for You have also done all our works in us (Isaiah 26:12).

To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death,
To guide our feet into the way of peace (Luke 1:79).

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you;
not as the world gives do I give to you.
Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid (John 14:27).

The Lord is called “the Prince of peace”, and He declares that from Him is peace and in Him is peace. The angels are called angels of peace, and heaven is called a habitation of peace (*Heaven and Hell* 287).

Peace viewed in itself is not heaven and heavenly joy, but these are in peace and from peace. For peace is like the dawn or like spring-time in the world, which dispose human minds to receive in the heart delights and pleasures from the objects that appear before the eyes, for that is what makes them delightful and pleasant.... “Peace” stands for heavenly blessedness, happiness, and delight, and as these are granted only with those that love to do the Lord’s commandments it is said, “Much peace have they who love Thy law” (*Apocalypse Explained* 365:14, 20).

The mountains will bring peace to the people,
And the little hills, by righteousness (Psalm 72:3).

This treats of the Lord’s coming and His kingdom. The “mountains which shall bear peace to the people” symbolize love to the Lord. The “hills in righteousness” symbolize charity towards the neighbor. This makes clear that “peace” means heavenly joy which is from the conjunction with the Lord by love.... Peace is bliss of heart and soul arising from the Lord’s conjunction with heaven and with the church, and this from the conjunction of good and truth with those who are therein. Consequently there is no longer combat of evil and falsity against good and truth, or no dissension or war in a spiritual sense. From this is peace, in which all the fructification of good and the multiplication of truth takes place, and thence comes all wisdom and intelligence. And as this peace is from the Lord alone, and from Him with the angels in heaven, and with people in the church, so “peace” in the highest sense means the Lord, and in a relative sense, heaven and the church, and thus good conjoined to truth with those who are there (*Apocalypse Explained* 365).