

“Grace and peace to you
from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.”

1. My God is the “God of peace”.

Romans 15:33

Now the God of peace be with you all.

2. His gospel is the “gospel of peace”.

Romans 10:15

As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!”

☞ God
and Gospel
of Peace ☞

Acts 10:36

The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all—

Ephesians 6:15

And having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace. (See also: 2 Corinthians 5:18-20 and John 5:24)

3. I have peace with God. He is NOT my enemy.

Romans 8:31

If God is for us, who can be against us?

Romans 5:1-2

Therefore having been justified (declared righteous) by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:9

Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:9-10

For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰ who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

4. God LOVES me.

a. He is my friend.

John 15:15

No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.

b. He is my Father.

Romans 8:15

For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.”

☞ We have PEACE

with our Father who LOVES us ☞

c. I am His child.

1 John 3:1

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God!

5. I cannot improve on what Jesus accomplished.

a. I am forever forgiven

Jeremiah 31:34

For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more.

Ephesians 1:7

In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

Hebrews 10:12

But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God.

Romans 5:13

For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

1 John 1:7

If we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

All of my sins
are forgiven:
past, present
and future.



b. Eternally Redeemed

Hebrews 9:12

Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

My
redemption
is eternal

c. Complete in Him

Colossians 2:10

You are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power.

- **Complete:** *plēroō*, to replete (fully or abundantly provided or filled, abundantly fed, complete, full)

d. Perfected Forever

Hebrews 10:14

For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

- **Perfected:** *teleioō*, to complete, that is, (literally) accomplish, or (figuratively) consummate (in character): - consecrate, finish, fulfill, (make) perfect.

e. He will complete the work He began in us. HE will complete it!

Philippians 1:6

For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:3

Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh?

- **Perfect:** *epiteleō*, to fulfill further (or completely), that is, execute; by implication to terminate, undergo: - accomplish, do, finish, (make) (perfect), perform.

f. Holy, Blameless, and Beyond Reproach

Colossians 1:21-23

Although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, engaged in evil deeds,²² yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach—²³ if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard, which was proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, was made a minister.

g. Sanctified (made holy) and Continually Sanctified

▪ **We ARE sanctified by Him.**

1 Corinthians 6:11

And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

▪ **We ARE BEING SANCTIFIED by Him.**

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 10:14

For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.

∞ I am the
righteousness
of God in
Christ Jesus.

h. I do not have to “get right with God”
because I am justified (made right) by
faith in Jesus.

Galatians 2:16

Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

2 Corinthians 5:21

He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

i. **Because God has declared me
righteous by faith in Jesus,
I cannot be condemned (sentenced
adversely).**

Romans 8:1-2

Therefore there is now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death.

No one can
condemn me
because He
has declared
me righteous.



j. I am not under the law but grace.

I am not bound by religious expectations known as the “spiritual disciplines”. God does not judge me for failing to meet the goals I set for myself.

∞ I have peace because I am NOT under ANY religious law. Hallelujah!!!

“The Law” is referring to ALL of the law, not just the ordinances and festivals, but also the Ten Commandments.

John 1:17

For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

Romans 6:14

For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

Galatians 2:21

I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.

2 Corinthians 3:7-8

But if the ministry of death, written and engraved on stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not look steadily at the face of Moses because of the glory of his countenance, which glory was passing away,⁸ how will the ministry of the Spirit not be more glorious?

k. He will NEVER leave me and NOTHING can separate us.

Romans 8:38

For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,³⁹ nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hebrews 13:5

Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

l. I do not have to work at producing the fruits of the spirit. I just walk in the Spirit and they grow. I don’t have to “exercise more self-control”.

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faith,²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.



m. I am completely satisfied in Him.**Romans 15:13**

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.

John 6:35

And Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst.

John 4:14

"Whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

n. I already know Him.**John 1:10**

He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know¹ Him.

Jeremiah 31:34

"They will not teach again² each man his neighbor and each man his brother, saying, 'Know the LORD,' for they will all know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them," declares the LORD, "for I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

1 John 2:13

I have written to you, children, because you know the Father.

o. I am as close to Him as anyone can be.**Colossians 1:27**

To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

1 John 4:13-15

Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.

p. I don't need to work up an anointing.**1 John 2:27**

But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you.

1 John 2:20

But you have an anointing from the Holy One.

I am not desperate,
hungry, or thirsty.

I have hope
in the God of hope.

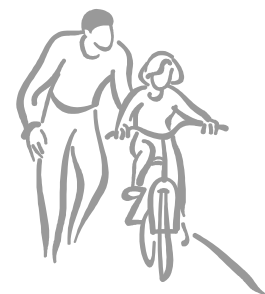
I am the righteousness
of God in Christ Jesus,

so I no longer hunger
and thirst for

righteousness, for I
am filled.

He lives in me
and I in Him.

Rivers of living water
are springing up
and flowing out of me.



¹ "Know" in all of these verses is: ghin-oc'e'-ko: a prolonged form of a primary verb; to "know" (absolutely), ... be aware (of), feel, (have) known (-ledge), perceive, be resolved, can speak, be sure, understand.

² "Again" means: (ode, ode: again, repeatedly, still, more, all life long)

q. God hears and answers my prayer.

1 Peter 3:12

For the eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, And His ears are open to their prayers; but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil.”

(WE ARE RIGHTEOUS.)

John 14:13

And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

Ephesians 3:20

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us.

r. I have peace in ministry. I am who I am by the grace of God. He is the one who calls me and He is the one who gives me strength to minister.

1 Corinthians 15:10

But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

s. I can trust Him with my future.

Jeremiah 29:11

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Luke 12:32

“Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.”

t. In Him I have rest.

Matthew 11:28-30

*“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”*

There remains therefore a rest for the people of God. ¹⁰ For he who has entered His rest has himself also ceased from his works as God did from His. Hebrews 4:9-10



6. Because God is at peace with me, I am at peace with others.

a. Peace with all men

Romans 12:18

If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

b. Peace with other believers

Romans 14:19

So then let us pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another.

c. Peace with our enemies

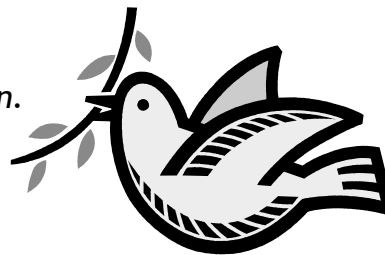
- We will have enemies.

Matthew 10:34

“Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword.

John 15:19

If you were of the world, the world would love its own. Yet because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.



- We are to love them.

Matthew 5:44

But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you

- He can do miracles in the lives of our enemies.

Consider Paul the Apostle who persecuted the church, and yet was miraculously converted to the faith he hated.

Proverbs 16:7

When a man's ways please the LORD, He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.

7. He gives me peace in life.

a. Day to Day

b. He gives His peace to me.

John 14:27

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.

- He has promised to meet our needs.

Matthew 6:31-34

Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³² For after all these things the Gentiles seek. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. ³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

- He will guide me by His peace.

Colossians 3:15—And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.

c. Say good-bye to worry, anxiety, and stress!!!

- He cares for me.

1 Peter 5:7

Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you.

➤ HIS peace,
not the world's

▪ **I don't have to be stressed.**

Philippians 4:6-7

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

⁷And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

▪ **He is at work in me and with me for my good.**

Romans 8:28

And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.



d. **He is with me when the storms of life are raging.**

John 16:33

These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.”

1 John 4:4

You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

Romans 8:18

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Romans 16:20

And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Hebrews 4:16

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, 4 who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Now may the Lord of peace Himself
give you peace always in every way.

The Lord be with you all.

2 Thessalonians 3:16