

The Secret of Peace

Secrets for Great Relationships: Part 3

Today, as we focus on the third fruit of the Spirit, we're reminded that Jesus is the Prince of Peace. He is the secret of peace. When Jesus Christ is at the centre of our lives, we'll experience His peace, and we'll also pursue peace in our relationships with others. Today we'll discover the five biblical steps to making peace in any relationship. These steps are easy to explain but very difficult to practice.

Matthew 5:9 NIV "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

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Matthew 5:23-24 MSG "If you enter your place of worship and, about to make an offering, you suddenly remember a grudge a friend has against you, abandon your offering, leave immediately, go to this friend and make things right."

Psalms 34:14 NLT "Search for peace, and work to maintain it."

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1 Peter 3:8 NIV "Finally, all of you, be like-minded, be sympathetic, love one another, be compassionate and humble."

1 Peter 3:7 Phillips "Similarly, you husbands should try to understand the wives you live with..."

Philippians 2:4 NLT "Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too."

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Proverbs 10:10 NLT "People who wink at wrong cause trouble, but a bold

reproof promotes peace."

Ephesians 4:15 NLT "We will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church."

Ephesians 4:29 GNT "Do not use harmful words, but only helpful words, the kind that build up and provide what is needed..."

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Romans 12:18 NLT "Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone."

James 3:17 MSG "Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterized by getting along with others."

James 3:18 NLT "Those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness."

Psalms 37:37 NLT "A wonderful future awaits those who love peace."

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2 Corinthians 5:18 NIV "All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation."

Colossians 3:15 NLT "And let the peace that comes from Christ rule in your hearts. For as members of one body you are called to live in peace. And always be thankful."

2 Peter 1:2 NLT "May God give you more and more grace and peace as you grow in your knowledge of God and Jesus our Lord."

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers..." Will you be one of them?

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