

b. A family of peace.

Ephesians 2:13-16 But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For He Himself is our peace, who made both groups into one and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, ... so that in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace.

c. A life of peace.

*Seek peace and pursue it. (I Peter. 3:11)
So far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men. (Rom. 12:18)
Pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another. (Rom. 14:19)
Live in peace with one another. (I Thes. 5:13)
Pursue peace with all men. (Heb. 12:14)*

d. A death with peace.

e. A world with peace.

II Peter 3:9-10, 13-15 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, and the earth and its works will be burned up.... But according to His promise we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless, and regard the patience of our Lord as salvation.

Isaiah 55:12 For you will go out with joy And be led forth with peace; The mountains and the hills will break forth into shouts of joy before you, And all the trees of the field will clap their hands.

What really happened that night?

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Where is the promised peace?

1. What is peace?

Luke 12:51 Do you suppose that I came to grant peace on earth? I tell you, no, but rather division.

2. Who brings peace?

Isaiah 9:7 *There will no end to the increase of His government or of peace.*

3. Who gets peace?

a. No one.

Isaiah 48:22 *There is no peace for the wicked.*

b. Everyone.

c. One person at a time.

d. People with whom God is pleased.

4. How do you get peace?

Luke 2:14, three possibilities: The angels are announcing:

- God's peace and God's good will toward men.
- God's peace for men who have good will toward one another.
- God's peace for men who have God's favor.

Luke 1:77-79

Colossians 1:19-22 (NIV) *For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in [Jesus], and through him to reconcile to himself all things ... by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation.*

5. What is it like to have peace with God?

John 14:27 *Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you.*

Philippians 4:7 *The peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

a. A heart of peace.

II Thes. 3:16 *May the Lord of peace Himself continually grant you peace in every circumstance.*