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“The Peace of God: Are You living in it?”

Philippians 4:6 NASB’95

6 Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all [c]comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

What are your anxieties?

- In our Unbound ministry we have captured list after list of tactics the enemy uses to attack or torment believers.
- If we entertain the lies or influencing spirits, we disrupt our Peace.
- As the Joy of the Lord, (which is our Strength) fades we doubt who we are in Christ Jesus.
- Doubt and Unbelief affects our Trust in the Word of God, (which is our Power and Authority to overcome the World).

How did we get here?

- We forgot to listen for, and feel the wind of our Faith, the Holy Spirit

Isaiah 53:5

NASB’95: 5 But He was [a]pierced through for our transgressions,
He was crushed for our iniquities;

The chastening for our [b]well-being fell upon Him,
And by His scourging we are healed.

NIV: But he was pierced for our transgressions,
he was crushed for our iniquities;
the punishment that brought us peace was on him,
and by his wounds we are healed.

ESV: 5 But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.

John 3:1-14 NASB’95 The New Birth

3 Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; 2 this man came to Jesus by night

- Have you had Your “Night Meeting” with Jesus, since you were saved?
 - o Nicodemus was trying to understand who Jesus was and how He was doing what he was doing

o He wanted to know how do it too!

- Jesus told Nicodemus, you must be “born-again”

7 Do not be amazed that I said to you, ‘You must be born [c]again.’ 8 The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

- What was Jesus talking about? FAITH

Do you remember your salvation experience? What do you remember most clearly?

- The scriptures that lead you to confess your sins, ask for God to forgive you, or:
- GOD’S LOVE that filled you and the peace that settled on you?

Like the “wind that blows” you felt the presence of GOD

1) “To Live outwardly with Courage, requires us to Live inwardly with Confidence”
The Peace of God is the foundation for our confidence