

PEACE

For to us a **child is born**,  
to us a son is given,  
and the government will be on his  
shoulders.

And he will be called  
**Wonderful Counselor**, **Mighty God**,  
**Everlasting Father**, **Prince of Peace**.

**Isaiah 9:6**

Prince



Peace





**Baal**



**Child  
sacrifice  
/ Molech**

**Ishtar/maybe  
Ashtaroth**



<b>Pogroms</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Rape</b>
<b>Holocaust</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>Child sacrifice</b>
<b>Child marriage</b>	<b>I</b>	<b>Temple prostitution</b>
<b>Female genital mutilation</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>Malicious mass starvation</b>
<b>Widow burning</b>		<b>Skinning alive</b>
<b>Slavery</b>		<b>Genocide</b>

# Dark Hearts

The people **walking in darkness**  
have seen a great light;  
on those living in the land of deep  
**darkness**  
a light has dawned.

**Isaiah 9:2**



# What is Peace?

**(by definition)**

# Shalom: שלום

**Pronunciation:** shah-LOHM

**Definition:** Peace, completeness, welfare, well-being, safety, prosperity

**Word Origin:** Derived from the root verb שלם (shalam), meaning "to be complete" or "to be sound."

# What is Peace?

(in old testament practice)

**Shalom is from  
YHWH**

**Every good** gift and every perfect gift **is from above, coming** down **from the Father** of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.

**James 1:17**

You have **enlarged the nation**  
and **increased their joy**;  
**they rejoice** before you  
as people rejoice at the harvest,  
as warriors rejoice  
when dividing the plunder.

**Isaiah 9:3**

**How does YHWH  
achieve Peace?**

For as in the **day of Midian's** defeat,  
**you have shattered**  
the yoke that burdens them,  
the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of their oppressor.

**Isaiah 9:4**



**The end of Shalom?**

But God chose the **foolish things** of the world **to shame the wise**; God chose the **weak things** of the world **to shame the strong.**

**1 Corinthians 1:27**

# Confusing Arrival

And in the same region there were **shepherds** out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night and an **angel of the Lord appeared** to them

**Luke 2:8**

# Confused Men

Perceiving then that they were about to come and take **him by force to make him king**, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

**John 6:15**

Every **warrior**'s boot used in battle  
and every garment rolled in blood  
will be destined for burning,  
will be **fuel for the fire.**

**Isaiah 9:5**

# Confused Spirits



Now there was a day when the **sons of God came to present themselves** before the Lord, **and Satan** also came among them

**Job 1:6**

# Upside Down War

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the **rulers**, against the **authorities**, against the cosmic **powers** over this present darkness, against the **spiritual forces** of evil in the heavenly places.

**Ephesians 6:12**

For as in the day of Midian's defeat,  
you have shattered  
**the yoke** that burdens them,  
the bar across their shoulders,  
the rod of **their oppressor**.

**Isaiah 9:4**

# Sin and Death

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that **through death he might destroy** the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and **deliver** all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

**Hebrew 2:14-15**

# Righteousness and Life

For as **in Adam all die**, so also **in Christ  
shall all be made alive.**

**1 Corinthians 15:22**



When the **perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality**, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

**“Death is swallowed up in victory.”**

**“O death, where is your victory?**

**O death, where is your sting?”**

The **sting of death is sin**, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, **who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**1 Corinthians 14:54-57**

**Upside down Kingdom**

Of the **greatness of his government and  
peace**  
**there will be no end.**

He will reign on David's throne  
and over **his kingdom,**  
**establishing and upholding** it  
with **justice and righteousness**  
from that time on and forever.  
The zeal of the Lord Almighty  
will accomplish this.

**Isaiah 9:7**

# Prince of Peace

# What is Peace?

(in practice)

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and increased their joy;  
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when dividing the plunder.

**Isaiah 9:3**

**What is Peace?**  
**(within ourselves)**

“Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth **peace** among those  
**with whom he is pleased!**”

**Luke 2:14**



But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “**God opposes the proud** but **gives grace to the humble.**”

**James 4:6**

**Received Peace**

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the **forgiveness of your sins**, and you will receive the **gift of the Holy Spirit**.

**Acts 2:38**

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, **but Christ who lives in me.** And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

**Galatians 2:20**

**Lived Peace**

You keep him in **perfect peace**  
whose mind is **stayed on you**,  
because he trusts in you.

**Isaiah 26:3**

Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends on you, **live peaceably with all.** Beloved, **never avenge** yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” To the contrary, “**if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink;** for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**Roman 12:17-21**

And he will be called  
**Wonderful Counselor, Mighty**  
**God,**  
**Everlasting Father, Prince of**  
**Peace.**

**Isaiah 9:6**



The Lord bless you and keep you; the  
Lord make his face to shine upon  
you and be gracious to you; the Lord  
lift up his countenance upon you  
and give you peace.

**Numbers 6:24-26**