

Allowing God's Perfect Peace



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"Walking in the Spirit" Series

INSTRUCTIONS

This TRAINING PAC has a text and a separate Workbook that contains the exercises for the text. Follow these steps:

1. Read through the entire text to obtain an overview of the text content.
2. Become familiar with the Objectives at the beginning of each section.
3. Then reread the text while completing the exercises in the Workbook.

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Isaiah 26:1-15

1. *In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.*
2. *Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in.*
3. *Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.*
4. *Trust ye in the LORD forever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength:*
5. *For He bringeth down them that dwell on high; the lofty city, He layeth it low; He layeth it low, even to the ground; He bringeth it even to the dust.*
6. *The foot shall tread it down, even the feet of the poor, and the steps of the needy.*
7. *The way of the just is uprightness: Thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.*
8. *Yea, in the way of Thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for Thee; the desire of our soul is to Thy name, and to the remembrance of Thee.*
9. *With my soul have I desired Thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek Thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.*
10. *Let favor be shewed to the wicked, yet will he not learn righteousness; in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.*
11. *LORD, when Thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: but they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.*
12. *LORD, thou wilt ordain peace for us: for thou has also wrought all our works in us.*
13. *O LORD our God, other lords beside Thee have had dominion over us: but by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name.*
14. *They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise: therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish.*
15. *Thou hast increased the nation, O LORD, Thou hast increased the nation: thou art glorified: thou hadst removed it far unto all the ends of the earth.*

I. Introduction

This morning I felt the Lord wanted to share this scripture with you. This is a very basic scripture in our ministry down through the years, a part of our foundation that God has laid in our life. It is a part of our life: that we become as He is. And there are a lot of people having struggles right now, even in the midst of us, but there is a way that God has made for us that He will handle it for us if we'll give it to Him. If we keep it, then we're in trouble, you know, and we'll keep on believing lies, and the enemy will keep on tearing us up. But God has the answer in His Word because Jesus fulfilled it at the cross. He paid the price there for us that we might take His Word and believe His Word and accept His Word. He said, *"Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My word shall never pass away."* This is how sure His Word is to us if we believe it. *"And in that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah."* Now I call "that day"

this day. I call it "this day". This is the day that He's going to do it for us. This is the day we're going to sing this song with Judah! He said *"in the land of Judah ..."* "We're in the land of Judah, aren't we? Amen. *"We have a strong city, salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks. Open ye the gates..."* That's what we have to do. We have to open up to the Lord. *"...that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth may enter in."* Now this is a particular people. What kind of people? A righteous people. That what? Keepeth the truth.

Today you can hardly tell the truth anywhere. The Bible says truth was thrown in the streets. Justice was thrown in the streets. That's what is in this day. And this is the day He's talking about. *"Open up the gates and let the righteous nation which keepeth the truth enter in."* Now if we don't have the truth, we aren't going to be able to keep the truth, are we? I know a lot of people that are trying to fool around with God, and they want the things of the world, and they want to still be called Christians. That doesn't make us a Christian. What makes us a Christian is keeping the truth. Having Christ in our heart and in our life and doing what His Word says to do and to keep the truth.

II. *"Thou Wilt Keep Him In Perfect Peace..."*

"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed in Thee: because he trusteth in Thee." All right. If we keep the truth, if we are righteous, then we are going to be righteous in the righteousness of God. We do not have our own righteousness. You know we have plans. We say, "Well, this and this and this is what I'm going to do. Or this and this is what I do and nobody's going to change me." "I'm going to do this, and this and this." And then you say you're Christian? Hmm... It isn't going to work. It isn't going to work. The compromise that is in the world today is destroying the Christian.

There's a parable, and it's called The Sower. And there's a verse in The Sower, that says that some fell among briars and thorns and were choked. The cares of this life, the riches of this life, the pleasures of this life choked it, until it brought no fruit to perfection. That is the condition of the Christian church today. Why? How many of you worry? Huh? How many of you? Raise your hands. How many of you worry? Huh? You worry. Why do you worry? Hmm... The cares of this life, huh? What happens when we have the cares of this life, and we allow them to hinder us? We're not becoming fruitful. What is the fruit that God is after in our life? *"This righteous nation which keepeth the truth..."* How many of you have perfect peace? Only one person has perfect peace? You need this word this morning. Amen. *"Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee."* Why is that we don't have perfect peace? Because our mind is not stayed on Him. Now you're going to say, "How can I keep my mind on the Lord all the time? I can't think about anything else." That's not what it says. Now I'm going to give you another scripture: *"Trust ye in the Lord forever, for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength: For He bringeth down them that dwell on high; and the lofty city, He layeth it low, He layeth it low, even to the ground; He bringeth it even to the dust..."* Now whom do we think we are that God's going to take away a whole city and make it dust. And we're going to stand before Him and declare I'm going to do my thing my way? Where do you think we're going to be? We're going to become dust, aren't we? We cannot do it. God has a better way. Amen. A perfect way. A way for our mind to be stayed in Him so we can have His perfect peace inside of us.

III. *"... The Inhabitants Of The World Will Learn Righteousness."*

Now the next verse says: *"Whose going to tread down the city? Even the feet of the poor and the steps of the needy."* What are they trying to do today with the homeless, the poor, and the needy? A lot of them are on the streets. But what's going to happen to the city? It's going to be trodden down. It's going to go to dust. *"The way of the just is uprightness: Thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just. Yea in the way of Thy judgment, O Lord, have we waited for Thee; the desire of our souls is to Thy name, and to the remembrance of Thee. With my soul I have desired Thee in the night: yea, with my spirit within me will I seek Thee early: for when Thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."*

Let's stop on this verse for a moment... *"when Thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."* We, in this country, are trying to say there is no God, taking Him out of all our public life, trying to take Him out of our everything public. But He says, *"when Thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness."* Now God's judgments are in the earth. He's withheld it to His appointed time, but we're in that appointed time, believe me, when God is going to judge everything we do and say now. If we belong to him, and if we want Him to be everything in our life, He cried out, *"...with my spirit within me will I seek thee early."* You know people are afraid of God's judgments, but God's judgments are to destroy the works of satan. Huh? God's judgment is not against man, it's against satan and the works of satan are in man. He wants to remove it and bring forth His righteousness in each and everyone of us. He said the inhabitants of the world will, not maybe, not perhaps, but will learn what? Righteousness.

You see the world is in such a dishevel, it's determined to destroy righteousness, it's determined to destroy truth, it's determined to destroy justice and judgment. But God is determined by His Word that His judgment is coming first. And with His judgment is going to come righteousness. The inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. How can it be done? God has a lot of ways of doing it. He has a lot of ways of doing it in our own life, a lot of ways of dealing with us because He wants all this junk out of us and He wants us to be pure in His righteousness and in His truth. They that are righteous and keepeth the truth. Now He's not leaving this up to us to change ourselves. He is asking us to let Him do it. He wants to do it, and when He does it, it's complete and it's thorough and it is perfect. Right?

Then He goes on to say, *"...favor will be shewed to the wicked but they will not learn righteousness."* Why? Because they are wicked. They want to know God. They don't want to believe that God runs this universe, and they're wicked, they're evil in every thing; every part of their being is evil. And God is not doing this for them because they will never become righteous. But they are going to see judgment and they are going to have to declare that God is doing it, even if they refuse to accept it, they're going to have to acknowledge it. *"Let favor be shewed to the wicked, yet he will not learn righteousness; in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD."* He will refuse, because in his wickedness he has no desire to know the Lord. *"Lord, when Thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: but they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, the fire of Thy enemies shall devour them."* The last laugh is God's, because that wickedness that they're holding on to, God is going to send a fire and burn it up. But in burning it up, they are going to get burned up, because they refuse to acknowledge God and the Lord.

IV. "Lord, Thou Wilt Ordain Peace For Us..."

"Lord, Thou wilt ordain peace for us for Thou also has wrought all our works in us." What's He doing now? He's taking out the works of the flesh, He's taking out the works of the devil. He's taking out all of these things and He's putting His works in us. *"...Thou has wrought..."* What does that mean? What does the word "wrought" mean? Formed. He is forming us in His righteousness. He's putting His works within us. And sometimes we don't feel that way. We feel all this other stuff. We wonder where His righteousness is, but He's doing something there. He's stirring it up so it can come to the surface, so He can skim it off. Amen... *"Lord, Thou wilt ordain peace for us: for Thou also has wrought all our works in us."* Not our works but His works, huh? He's transforming us. *"Be not conformed to this world but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind."* So what's He doing here? *"He will keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee."* God's working with our mind right now. Amen. *"O Lord our God, other lords beside Thee have had dominion over us: but by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name. They are dead, they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise; therefore Thou has visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish."* All right, let's go back. Other lords have had dominion over our lives. What a mess we've made of our lives. Because we did not choose righteousness. We did not choose truth. So what happened? All these other things came into our life to take charge of us. Our stories are many and varied of everyone in this place of our lives. But there is one thing that holds true: when Jesus is finished with us, and we allow Him to do this work in us, we're going to be righteous, and we're going to keep the truth, and we're going to have perfect peace.

He's talking about all these lords. Now we can make a long list of them, huh? A long list of lords that trouble us all the time, and a lot of them are not even true. These lords come and visit us everyday, they torment us, they lie to us, they just tell us all these things, and they are not even true. But they have dominion over us. Why do they have dominion over us? Because we have not given that dominion to God. We've kept it, and let it rule us, so that *"...other lords beside Thee have had dominion over us."* "Oh, well, that's the way I am," I've heard people say. "If people are going to like me, they're going to like me the way I am...cause that's just the way I am." And I look at them and feel sorry for them, because the Lord wants to change our life and make us like He is. God has a very definite plan to destroy those lords. But we have a decision to make. Now listen to it. *"...Beside Thee, other lords have had dominion over us, but by Thee only, by the Lord only, will we make mention of Thy name."* Only by the Lord is it going to be done.

But what? We have to let Him do it. *"But by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name."* We have to bring it to the Lord, and we have to bring it with a determination we're not going to take it back, that we want to be free from it. When we give it to him this is what He does. He what? He says they're dead. So what happens? He destroys them. They shall not live. They are deceased. When they're deceased, they are dead and buried. *"...Therefore Thou hast visited, and they shall not rise."* If you're dead and buried, you're not going to rise. So He's made it so positive that there should not be one doubt in your mind at what He can do. Huh? *"But by Thee only will we make mention of Thy name. They are dead, they shall not live. They are deceased, they shall not rise. Thou visited and destroyed them, and made all their memory to perish."* Now that, we think, is the impossible part, huh? But if we give it to Him, and He destroys it all, then He has accomplished it, and made all their memory to perish.

"Thou hast increased the nation, O Lord, Thou hast increased the nation. Thou art glorified. Thou hast removed it far unto all the ends of the earth." I want to tell you today that I know the reality of this word, and there are a lot of people here who know the reality of this word. It's mighty, but it's up to us. It's up to us if we want to live like the devil, and we want the devil to rule us, and we want to be tormented day and night, and then say we're Christians. Not the Lord. Because He's made the way for us to have perfect peace. And it's not just peace once in a while. *"...will keep him, (will keep us) in perfect peace."* I'll pray for you today, you'll have peace, and tomorrow you don't have it. No. He destroyed those things and buried them, and they aren't going to rise anymore.

V. Jesus Destroyed The "Old Man Of Sin" And We Have The Privilege Of Burying Him!

You know, I was trained in a church that talked about sanctification. Then when I started reading the Word the way God gave it to me, I saw something different. They're talking about the old man of sin. Did you ever meet him? Did you ever know him? Hmm...He's got a lot of Christians buffaloed. Do you know what that means? I use to think that, well, it's your carnality that's showing. This use to be an expression in a church I was raised in. If you raised your voice or you said something that they didn't approve of, "Oh, that's your carnality showing!" I got news for you. Jesus said He took it to the cross. He forgave our sins through His shed blood. He destroyed Adam's sin in you, so what did He do? He took it to the cross. It was a curse placed there by the fall of man. But Jesus said in Romans, chapter 5 or 6, I believe it is, Paul describes it: He says the old man of sin, where we are baptized in water, we have the privilege of carrying him down there and burying him. He'll let us carry that old dead, what did he call it, old man of sin... He destroyed him on the cross, destroyed his power on the cross for every Christian that will hear it and obey it. You go down into that water, a grave with the Lord, and you bury that old man there. He isn't alive when you go down. He's already dead, he died at the cross, huh? But you have the privilege of burying him, so you know for sure he's not alive.

Well, I'll tell you what a relief it was for me when God opened that scripture to me because I thought that all my life I was going to have to put up with that old man of sin and walk with Jesus. Thank God it isn't true. Amen. We might have a lot of things we need to get rid of, but we have Jesus, He'll get rid of it for us. Amen! So He said it is so very important for us to be baptized in water, into Jesus Christ. Not into the Methodist church, not into the Baptist church, not into the Catholic church, but into Jesus Christ. John's baptism was a baptism of repentance, but the baptism of Jesus is to bring us into Him. And He into us – making us a quickened spirit. No longer of Adam's race, but a new creature – a new creation formed right there by Jesus Christ, as we go down to the cross, as we go down into the water. The old man is buried there, never to rise again, as long as we allow Jesus Christ to be the Lord and King in His kingdom in our life. If we forsake Him, then you are going to go through hell. You're going to go through the horrible things that satan has for you. But if you hold fast to the Lord, and you do what He says, this mighty work that He has given to us is complete in Jesus Christ. *"In Him we live, we move, we have our being."* He's the one who gives us perfect peace, and it stays with us. He ordained it for us. He made it possible for us. He made it possible for us to be baptized in water, as well, that we might be free from the old man of sin and that we might live in His peace to destroy all the affects of this life. God has given us the answer: the new birth.

He said to Nicodemus, "You must be born again – born of the Spirit, born of water." But here He is telling us how He will do the job. To finish what the enemy tries to make us think has to stay inside of us. But He removes it if we will let Him. If we don't let Him, we'll go on enjoying it. I think some people enjoy it. I think we need to get determined to let God take the junk, the lords, out of our lives. The enemy comes, and he'll try to say, "Now, look at you," if you make a mistake, if you get angry. Remember God made us like Himself. He gave us a nature like His nature. But Adam gave that nature away, didn't he? But Jesus brought it back to us, if we want it. But it has to be by our own choosing, whether we're free or whether we allow these lords to tear us up day by day, or we allow God to take it and totally destroy them, and there is no memory left of them.

This Word is mighty, and it is real, and God is the perfecter of His people. Jesus perfected it at Calvary. He perfected it as He came up out of that grave, and today His judgment is still in the earth, and the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness. They will learn it through us, if we allow Him to finish that work in us that we may have His perfect peace. All these things can go from our life and we rest in the Lord. He's the Lord this morning of His Word. It's up to us what we do with it. If we want to carry these things around and complain, it's up to us. What is so mighty is that He causes the memory of it all to perish. We do not have to live with the junk. We do not have to put up with it, if we're willing to let Him take it and destroy it. Amen. How much do we want of His peace? He's ordained for us to have His peace. It's ours, if we want it.

VI. "If We Walk In The Light As He Is In The Light..."

There's a scripture in 1 John. I think I'd like to read it. 1 John, chapter 1:7. *"But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son, cleanseth us from all sin."* He cleanseth us. He cleanseth us. If we make a mistake, if we sin, we come to Him, and we ask Him to forgive us immediately, and He cleanseth us from all sin. I believe if this truth were ministered in the churches as God intended it to be ministered, there would never be a backslider. Because when the devil comes, if we make one mistake or if we commit one little sin, he'll torment us until we commit a million. Then he's got us hooked. The Word says, *"He cleanseth us."* Jesus sits at the right hand of the Father ever making intercession for us as the Son of Man. He is still interceding for us to be free from sin, to be free from the powers of satan. Here in Isaiah it tells the complete work. Here in John He says, *"If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship..."* What happens? Somebody goes out here, and they commit a sin, and they come among the brethren. What happens? Oh, all at once they are not their brothers. That's right. You feel very strange among them. Why? Because you've stepped out of the light. The light in the brethren bothered you. And all you need to do is step back into the light and ask Jesus to forgive you. Instantly He will forgive us, and then we're walking in the light again. And now we can join the brethren again and fellowship with them. Jesus says He has ordained peace for us. And that peace He gives to us.

When Jesus came back after He rose from the dead, the first thing He says to His disciples was, "Peace be with you." So the Lord is saying, "I've given you My peace." Why do you allow the enemy to take that peace from you?" If you've done something wrong, all you do is ask Him to forgive you and that peace returns to you. It's His peace that He's given to us. If we by our mouths and by our actions lose that

peace, then we need to go back where we lost it and pick it up again. God has it for us, if we let Him give it to us. But you can't keep a mixture. I am very much against some of the things that Christians allow in today's world, because it's compromise. And when it's compromise, you might as well tell Jesus "good-bye," because when you go over there, you're not going to meet with Him. No, you're not! You're not going to be with your compromise down here, with the wicked who refused – who refused to let Jesus give them perfect peace. One of the very great signs of the presence of the Lord is His peace. Jesus imparted it immediately to His disciples. When He came to see them after He arose from the dead, He gave them His peace. He's ordained peace for everyone of us, and it's ours this morning if we choose it. If we don't choose it, well, I already read what will happen to you. You go to the place of the wicked. The one thing I know, God doesn't want a Christian to be tormented. If you're tormented, you need to get rid of it. Give it to the Lord, and His peace will keep you. If you don't believe His Word, don't ask Him to do anything for you. He said to them that believe, all things are possible. He made it possible. He will do it for us but we have to be willing to let Him do it. It's ours today if we want it.

VII. Two Life-Changing Experiences

I had two experiences in my life. Two very, very important experiences in my life that changed my life completely and gave me His peace. I was being destroyed, not by my family, but what I thought. You see, we don't have to be affected by what people say or do, huh? If we're affected by it, we are going to be hurt by it. Many of you already know that my mother died when I was 11, with 5 younger brothers and sisters. My father never cooked, he didn't know anything about children, because he worked away from home most of the time. There were five younger brothers and sisters. Maybe you don't know what younger brothers and sisters do, especially if they don't have a mother, and they have no one in charge of them. Well, they we're going to give me a rough time. "Who do you think you are? You can't tell us what to do." And what do you think developed inside of me? A lot of junk. Then when I gave my life to the Lord, I was 16. Then the war really started! The older brothers and sisters said, 'She's a religious fanatic!' They took the children, and they took them to another part of the state, and I was not allowed to go and visit them, because I was a religious fanatic. So they told all kinds of stories about me, and, of course, it always comes back to your ears. By this time I was allowing the effects of these things to destroy me. I had a call; I knew what God wanted me to do, but here was my family.

You see, folks, it's wrong if we hold on to a family, when God is trying to separate us from that family, so He can do something in our lives. I didn't have any problem, with God; I loved God. But I couldn't serve God because I had all this stuff inside of me. And so I was going down, down the other way, because I allowed things people said or did, or what the devil did, destroy me. Well, it wasn't a joke, it was very serious. So one day the Lord got a hold of me and He told me to give up my family. He said, "I have a family for you that's My family and they will be your family." So this day I came about to the end of my life, and I knew it. I knew I couldn't go any longer, and the Lord literally shook me. He shook me. He said, "I have asked you to give up that family, and you've not obeyed Me. Now I command you to do it." And when He commanded me to do it, I said, "Yes, Lord." I gave it up. I gave it up instantly, and the Lord brought it out. Every memory, every thing that I thought was so horrible, I couldn't tell you what those horrible things were, because He took them and He

destroyed them. But I had to let Him do it. If anything is in our life that's preventing us from allowing Jesus to have full control of our life, we need to get rid of it. Or if it's a person or if it's things, we need to let go of it. Today and down through the years God's given me a beautiful family – the family of God – and all the little children I could love. My family – they are not my family anymore – they are just kin-folks that don't have any affect in my life since Jesus took it away. But He had to take it away. If we hang on to things that God is saying to let go of it'll take us and destroy us. But if we let go, He has something far better, if we let Him do it.

This morning He has perfect peace for every one of us, if we'll let Him clean house and remove all the things that we still want to hold on to. It's very, very mighty what God has done in these few days. You see God will do it for all of us. The reason many of you are still wondering around with your problems is because you haven't given them to Him.

Another time I was ministering up in Northern California. I had ministered four times that day and I came to my room and I'd gone to bed and the Lord came into my room, and He started performing surgery on my skull. I felt Him open it up, and I said to Him, "Lord, what are You doing?" I knew it was the Lord and it was as though I was visualizing what He was doing as He was doing it. So He cuts it open, reaches in and takes out. I said, "Lord, what are You doing?" He said, "I'm taking out what ought not to be there." Then I felt warmth, a very warm-like feeling go through my whole skull. I said, "What are You doing?" He said, "I'm putting My Spirit, My light there, and I'm removing all the darkness." And He sealed the place right here and He said, "I'm sealing that door, that none of these things will come back." It was a glorious experience, and it's never changed in my life since that day.

Those two experiences transformed my life because the Lord took out those things which the enemy would have used to destroy my life. The Lord told me the conscious mind and the unconscious mind are like a tape recorder. The unconscious mind records every thing that we see and hear from the time we are human beings. It's all recorded. All the garbage you look at on television, all you use to hear on the radio, all the movies you go to, full of all this stuff, is recorded right in here. There's not much room left for you to use your brain, because it's all polluted. But the Lord said, He's the only one that can erase it, and He'll erase it from us if we let Him. And that's what He did for me. He not only separated me from the patterns that I could not allow these things to affect my life, but He took it away, and He changed my life so I could tolerate people, so I could live with people, so I could hear Him and obey Him. And He wants to do it for everyone of us this morning, and if we desire for Him to change our life so that we can be an instrument of His love and His peace, His joy and His righteousness. It's up to us. I get troubled with these children with their attitudes. I get troubled with all of us with our attitudes. We're living beneath what God has given to us, when we allow these things to affect us. The Lord has the answer today in His Word: if we want perfect peace, He will give it to us. He'll take away the worry, take away the anxiety.

VIII. Conclusion And Prayer

I tell you, I don't know, I don't think there was a human being in the world who worried as bad as I did. That's right. From a little child I worried. All I had was worry. I didn't have anything else. But, oh, how wonderful. God loves us so much He'd take a

little old girl down there in Ohio, bare foot and not worth anything, full of worry and couldn't think straight, transform her life so that Jesus can give us peace. His peace that doesn't pass away, if we walk with Him. It increases in our life, if we will let Him give His peace to us. When I was raising my children I had a condition in my body that was very, very serious. My children, my daughter was 12 and my son was 15, had to put up with me – a nervous wreck, physically. And one day I went to a meeting, and I knew who this man was, but I felt to go. As I walked into this meeting, he said to me, "Sister, the Lord is healing you now of a nervous disorder you have had all your life." And it went like that, and it was gone. And from that day to this day I've never had it again. I had God's peace. My children didn't have the privilege these children have with me. It wasn't easy on them. But I thank God for His love, for His peace, for His caring for us to set us free and keep us free by His peace. Amen. It's ours this day if we want it. If we don't want it, if you don't want it, don't come and ask me to pray for you because I don't really want to pray for you if you really don't want it. If you want to live with your problems, if you want to live with these things, then live with them, but God has deliverance for you. He has healing. He has peace. A very mighty peace this day if we want it. It's up to us. *"Lord, Thou hast ordained peace for us."* Cause the memory of it all to perish. What a mighty God we serve. He's put it in our hands, and what are we going to do with it? Are we going to take heed and hear what He says and let Him change our life, or are we going to continue in the way we're going? I'll tell you one thing: I know you'll get worse and not better unless you allow Him to bring His peace and dwell in you. For God has ordained peace for us. Amen. His peace – that we might live in His peace, walk in His peace, and become that righteous nation that keepeth the truth. Thank God for His Word. We don't need to interpret it. It is what He says it is. Amen. I don't like interpreters of the Word. I like to give the Word and let the Spirit of the Lord do the talking about it.

Father, we praise You this morning. Jesus, we ask You now to touch every person that is in this meeting this morning. Jesus, whatever You gave us, You impart it to us, and Lord, this morning You know the need of every person, each one and everyone. You know their need this very moment and, Lord, You have purposed for them to have peace. (Would you please stand?) As they stand before You, that You look into every heart, every mind, every attitude, every thing that is not like You. Jesus, I ask You this morning to move in the midst of this people and set them free. Those who want to be free, Lord, I thank You. This Word You have sent to us this morning. You have given it to us pure and undefiled and undiluted. You have given us the straight Word for us this moment. Now, Lord, I ask You to search every heart, every mind, every person. And, Lord, I ask You now to work that work in each one that is willing to let You do it that they might be free. God, we ask You now to move in the midst of this people.