PEACE... Do you have it?



Read This to Find Out
How to Have An
INFINITE Amount of It

When it really comes down to what people want most out of life, isn't it to have peace? If people were gut level honest and REALLY thought about it, people would want peace, no matter their circumstances.

Peace is something that cannot be provided by anyone or anything. No person or possession can give you true, lasting, peace.

Think about it this way, there will always be a bigger and better car, house, wardrobe, cell phone, TV, or anything. There will always be prettier, more handsome and nicer people in this world. People and possessions can give you peace for a short while, but you always need more people or possessions to give you peace.

This can be unhealthy and expensive.

Here is a test to tell you whether you TRULY have peace or not.

Ask yourself these questions:

Would I have peace if I were to lose all of my money and material

possessions?

Would I have peace if I were to lose ALL of the people who are near and dear to you in this life, whether it was parents, siblings, spouse or your children?

These are VERY extreme examples, but if you think about them, they will clue you into whether you really have peace...or not.

If EITHER of these scenarios were to come true, it would most certainly be hard to think straight. At times like these, we would need to remember the truth and not let lies invade and consume our mind.

We need to remember the following:

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- 5. Not only that, but you are at peace with God if your sins have been forgiven and your eternity is secure.

 And, the trial you are going through, will be to your benefit.
- Romans 5:1-5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.
- 6. This peace we have with God is in knowing that our eternity is secure because our sins have been forgiven, knowing that he will never leave us or forsake us and that nothing can separate us from the love of God:
- Hebrews 13:5 Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."
- Romans 8:38-39 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- 7. Peace from God is like no other peace that anyone or anything can provide.
- **John 14:27** Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

8. If you EVER are not feeling at peace, the peace of God that is incomprehensible is just a prayer away:

Philippians 4:6-7 - Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

9. While the death of a friend or loved one, or losing your wealth, might be the most traumatic experience of your life, if you have received Jesus Christ as your personal lord and Savior, you can rest assured in the following:

Romans 8:28 - And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

10. On top of all of this, we must always remember:

Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

If either of these scenarios were to happen to you, you could not change the reality that they happened. What you can change is how you feel in your heart and soul. It's not about forgetting how much they mean to you and how much you will miss them. It's not about forgetting about how your lifestyle would change. It's about remembering who is still with you, has never left you and who is still in control of the universe, which includes your world.

As evidenced by the greatest commandment, given by our Lord, our love for God needs to be greater than our love for people or things:

Mark 12:29-31 - Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your

soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'
This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
There is no other commandment greater than these."

You can be at peace even though it feels as if your world is crumbling down around you. If your world revolves around God before you face tragedy, the tragedy will not destroy your life. If your world revolves around the people in your life or your possessions, your world will surely fall apart when tragedy comes.

God loves you and wants you to receive and/or rest in His peace and His love for you that is beyond human comprehension. If your love for God is greater than your love for anyone or anything, you will love yourself and other people more AND you can have peace about ANYTHING life throws at you.

If you've not already done so, Jesus Christ is waiting for you to let him into your heart, won't you let Him in to have peace with God and peace in your heart?

If you have already done so, peace in your heart, beyond any human comprehension, is already yours for the asking, **right now!**

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1. The evil one wants you to believe that your world is falling apart from losing your wealth or the person you care about. He wants to disable you so that you cannot fulfill what you are called to do with your life.

Genesis 3:4 - Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die.

1 Peter 5:8 - Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

2. The truth will set free from the bondage of deception.

John 8:32 - And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

3. God LOVES you!

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

4. Destructive thoughts going through your head such as, "your world is falling apart" are from the Evil one. If you believe and have received Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, then you are a child and a friend of God:

John 1:12-13 - But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 15:15 - No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all things that I heard from My Father I have made known to you.