

PEACE: Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)

Key Word: peace. The Greek word is eirene (pronounced i-ray'-nay).

- The word means harmony.

Define peace: freedom from war, freedom from public disorder, freedom from quarrels.

Peacemaker: Matthew 5:9 (NIV)

Key Word: peacemaker. The Greek word is eirenopoios. The word means pacifier. This is the person who makes peace.



Discussion: Compare this to world-view values.

Reread Matthew 5:9

Blessed means more than happy.

Personality of a peacemaker

1. It takes a lot to make a peacemaker angry. (James 1:19)
2. A peacemaker hold no record of offenses, is willing to forgive. (1 Corinthians 13:5)
3. A peacemaker is a friend to other people. (John 13:4)
4. A peacemaker does not disregard the power of a gentle answer. (Proverbs 15:1)
5. A peacemaker desires reconciliation when a relationship is not right. (Matthew 5:23-24)

Reflection



The first step to peace: peace with God. Do you have peace with God? Do you trust God with your life?

Ultimate peace is the individual being reconciled to God.

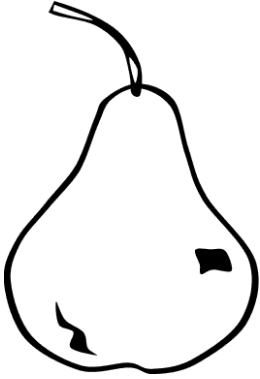
- To maintain peace, we must continue to eat God's Word. (Jeremiah 15:16)



GOLD NUGGET:

"More than happy is the person who is a pacifier that strives for peace, they will be called a child of God."

Application: Is there someone whom you have offended? Take the first step toward them to ask forgiveness. Is there someone who has offended you? Take the first step toward them to get the relationship corrected.



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Key Word: pacifier



Key Words: first step



Key Words: eat God's Word