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Matthew 5:9

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I. The **Definition** of Peaceableness

Romans 5:1 "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:"

1 Timothy 2:5-6a "For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 6 Who gave himself a ransom for all..."

Ephesians 5:1 "Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;"

1 John 2:6 "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked."

II. The <u>Source</u> of Peaceableness

a. The **Father** of Peace

Romans 16:20 "And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen."

Hebrews 13:20 "Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant,"

b. The **Son** of Peace

John 17:11 "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

John 17:20-21 "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; ²¹ That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me."

John 17:22-23 "And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: ²³ I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me."

Colossians 1:20 "And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven."

c. The <u>Spirit</u> of Peace

John 1:12-13 "But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name: 13 Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God."

1 John 5:1 "Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him."

Galatians 3:1-2 "O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you? ² This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?"

Galatians 5:22 "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,"

III. The **Demonstration** of Peaceableness

a. Abraham Demonstrated Peaceableness

b. <u>Christ</u> Demonstrated Peaceableness

Matthew 5:9 "Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God."

IV. The **Deviation** from Peaceableness

Romans 12:18 "If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men."

James 3:17 "But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, *and* easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy."

V. The <u>**Result**</u> of Peaceableness

Luke 1:35 "And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God."

James 2:23 "And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God."

- a. God Loves His Children
- b. God Bears His Children's Infirmities
- c. God <u>Accepts</u> His Children's Imperfect Service
- d. God Provides for His Children
- e. God Shields His Children
- f. God <u>Illuminates</u> Truth for His Children
- g. God Emboldens His Children
- h. God Frees His Children
- i. God Makes His Children Heirs
- j. God <u>Blesses</u> His Children
- k. God Works All Things for the Good of His Children
- l. God Saves His Children

- VI. The **<u>Peaceable</u>** Application
 - a. <u>Think</u> Peaceable <u>Thoughts</u>
 - b. <u>Say</u> Peaceable <u>Words</u>
 - c. <u>**Do**</u> Peaceable <u>Acts</u>