

## 53. CHRIST – HIS PERSON (33)

### T. TO THE BELIEVERS

#### 26. Peace

Suggested Hymns: # 1104 / # 223 / # 8017

 “... the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.,” (John 6:63)

Eph. 2:13 - But now in Christ Jesus you who were once **far off** have become **near** in the **blood** of **Christ**.

Eph. 2:14 - For He **Himself** is our **peace**, He ... has broken down the **middle wall** of **partition**, the enmity,

Eph. 2:15 - **Abolishing** in **His flesh** the law of the commandments in ordinances,

that He might **create** the two in **Himself** into one **new man**, so making **peace**,

Eph. 2:17 - ... He announced **peace** as the **gospel** to you who were **far off** [*the Gentile*]),  
and **peace** to those who were **near** [*the Jews*],

John 14:27 - **Peace** I leave with you; My **peace** I give to you; ...

Do not let your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 16:33 - These things I have spoken to you that in **Me** you may have **peace**.

In the world you have affliction, but take **courage**; I have overcome the world.

 “... it pleased God, who ... called me through His grace, To **reveal** His Son in me ...,” (Gal 1:15-16)

❖ **Christ**, Himself is our **peace** (Eph. 2:14).

- Through the **blood** of **Christ**, we have been brought **near** to **God** and to God’s people.
  - Christ has accomplished **full redemption** for both **Jewish** and **Gentile** believers
  - Christ Himself is our **peace**, our harmony, He has **made us one**.
    - Through Christ’s **redemption** this **separation** has been **removed** (Eph. 2:14).
    - Now the **redeeming** Christ, is the bond of oneness, the bond of **peace** (Eph. 4:3).

➤ **Christ** is the **believers’ peace**.

- ✓ “*Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; ... Let not your heart be troubled, ...*” (John 14:27).
  - The **peace** Christ gives, **overcomes** all troubles and fears
  - No matter what opposition and persecution we may face, the **Lord Jesus** within us is our **peace**.
- ✓ “... *in Me you may have peace... but be of good courage, I have overcome the world.*” (John 16:33)
  - We have **peace** in the **overcoming** Christ.
  - In the world we shall have **troubles**, but in the **Lord**, we have **peace**, in Him.
    - we do not need to worry nor to fear the world
    - Christ is our **peace**, and He has overcome the world.

 “... ‘I believed, therefore I spoke,’ we also **believe**, therefore we also **speak**,” (Psa. 116:10; 2Co 4:13)

 Life’s **peace** **overcomes** all troubles and fears. The Lord **left** His **peace** to us. This **peace** is just the Lord Himself. The Lord within us is our **life** and our **peace**. Now we may enjoy the **Lord** as our life, our abode, and our **peace**. Praise Him that He is everything to us.

 The Lord has **given** us His **peace** and **left** us His **peace**, today we should **live in His peace**. The Lord Himself is still here as our **peace**... When we consummate in the **New Jerusalem**, we will be in **peace**, that is, in the **Triune God**. The **New Jerusalem** will be solidly grounded and safeguarded in the Triune God as **peace** and safety, and we will enjoy the Triune God as **peace** forever.

<h3>Hymn 1104</h3> <p><b>Praise the Lord— As Our Peace Offering</b></p>	<h3>Hymn 223</h3> <p><b>Praise the Lord— Remembrance of Him</b></p>	<h3>Hymn 8017</h3> <p><b>Worship of the Father— His Righteousness</b></p>
<p><b>1</b> Lord, Thou art our <b>peace offering</b>; We <b>lay our hands</b> on Thee. <i>[Lev. 3:1, 8]</i> We're <b>one</b> with Thee, <b>Lord Jesus</b>, In fact and practically. <i>[Acts. 6:6; 1Tim. 4:14 fn]</i> Here in the tent of meeting We offer Thee to <b>God</b> And with the <b>Father</b> feasting Enjoy Thee as our <b>food</b>.</p> <p><b>Chorus:</b> <i>[Eph. 2:14; Col. 3:15]</i> Christ is our <b>peace</b>! Christ is our <b>peace</b>! We praise Thee, <b>blessed Lord</b>! Our <b>peace</b> with <b>God</b>, our <b>peace</b> with <b>man</b> Have fully been <b>restored</b>.</p> <p><b>2</b> O what a <b>peace</b> it <b>gives us</b> <i>[John 14:27]</i> To see the <b>sprinkled blood</b>. The <b>blood</b> of our <b>peace offering</b> Has brought us <b>peace</b> with <b>God</b>. <i>[Rom 5:9, 11]</i> With boldness we're proclaiming— Now hear this, enemy— “<b>Peace by the blood of Jesus!</b>” This is our <b>victory</b>.</p> <p><b>3</b> Based on the <b>burnt oblation</b> <i>[burnt offering]</i> And the <b>meal offering</b> too, We now may offer <b>Jesus</b> As our <b>peace offering</b> true. <i>[Lev. 3:1, 5; 6:12]</i> The more we <b>eat</b> and <b>drink</b> Him In His humanity, The more we may enjoy Him While <b>feasting</b> corporately. <i>[Rom. 12:1]</i></p> <p><b>4</b> Here <b>God</b> enjoys His <b>portion</b> <i>[Num. 28:2]</i> ‘Tis inward, hidden, sweet— And all the priestly family May here the <b>wave</b> breast eat. The offering priest—how <b>precious</b>— May of the best <b>partake</b>: <i>[Lev. 7:32-34]</i> He gets the right <b>heave</b> shoulder And one unleavened cake.</p> <p><b>5</b> With all the cleansed ones <b>feasting</b>, How rich the <b>Christ</b> we <b>eat</b>! <i>[John 6:57]</i> Oh, this is true <b>communion</b>, The only way to meet. <i>[Eph. 5:20; Col. 3:17]</i> We bring our full <b>thanksgiving</b> <i>[1Thes. 5:18]</i> And e'en would make a vow— We're for the <b>Lord's</b> <b>recovery</b> As He is for us now.</p> <p><b>Col 3:15</b>— And let the <b>peace of Christ</b> arbitrate in your <b>hearts</b>, to which also you were <b>called</b> in one <b>Body</b>; and be <b>thankful</b>.</p> <p><b>Phi 4:9</b>— The things which you have also <b>learned</b> and <b>received</b> and <b>heard</b> and <b>seen</b> in me, <b>practice</b> these things; and the <b>God of peace</b> will be with you.</p>	<p><b>1</b> O the <b>table</b> of Thy <b>love</b>, <i>[1Cor. 11:23-25]</i> With the <b>bread</b>, the <b>cup</b> is spread. By <b>partaking</b> of these signs, We with Thee are richly fed. How we <b>thank</b> Thee for this <b>cup</b>, For the <b>cup</b> of <b>blessing</b>, <b>Lord</b>, <b>Cup</b> of Thy <b>Salvation</b> full, <i>[1Cor. 10:16]</i> <b>Cup</b> of all Thou dost afford.</p> <p><b>2</b> 'Tis the <b>blood</b> Thou <b>shedd'st</b> for us, That our <b>sins</b> may be <b>forgiv'n</b>; <i>[Matt. 26:28]</i> 'Tis the <b>cov'nant</b> made for us, That Thy <b>blessings</b> may be giv'n. Thou didst <b>drink</b> the <b>cup</b> of <b>wrath</b>, Thou hast tasted <b>death</b> for us, <i>[Heb. 2:9]</i> Thus the <b>cup</b> of <b>blessing</b> bought, As the <b>portion</b> gained for us.</p> <p><b>3</b> In this <b>portion</b> we have <b>God</b>, <i>[Lam. 3:21-24]</i> Whom we lost thru <b>Adam's fall</b>; By the <b>shedding</b> of Thy <b>blood</b>, <i>[Eph. 1:7]</i> <b>God</b> becomes our all in all. <i>[1Cor. 15:28]</i> In this <b>portion</b> all we have— <b>Life</b> and <b>peace</b>, <b>redemption</b> sure; All that <b>God</b> has <b>planned</b> and <b>willed</b>, In this <b>portion</b> we secure.</p> <p><b>4</b> An <b>eternal portion</b>, 'tis, Overflowing <b>cup</b> <b>divine</b>; <i>[Lam. 3:24; Psa. 16:5]</i> Heav'nly taste do we enjoy In this <b>cup</b> of <b>God's</b> design. <i>[Matt. 26:27]</i> Here in <b>love</b> we <b>drink</b> this <b>cup</b> In <b>remembrance</b>, <b>Lord</b>, of Thee; Thus in <b>spirit</b> we <b>partake</b> All Thy work on <b>Calvary</b>.</p> <p><b>1Co 10:16</b>— The <b>cup</b> of <b>blessing</b> which we <b>bless</b>, is it not the fellowship of the <b>blood</b> of <b>Christ</b>? The <b>bread</b> which we <b>break</b>, is it not the fellowship of the <b>body</b> of <b>Christ</b>?</p> <p><b>1Co 11:23-25</b>— ... the Lord Jesus ... took <b>bread</b>, And having given <b>thanks</b>, He <b>broke</b> it and said, This is <b>My body</b>, which is <b>given</b> for you; this do unto the <b>remembrance</b> of Me. Similarly..., This <b>cup</b> is the new <b>covenant</b> established in <b>My blood</b>; this do, as often as you <b>drink</b> it, unto the <b>remembrance</b> of Me.</p> <p><b>Psa. 119:57</b>— Jehovah is my <b>portion</b>; I have promised to <b>keep</b> Your <b>words</b>.</p>	<p><b>1</b> By <b>righteousness</b> was I <b>condemned</b>, When I was <b>lost</b> in pain and <b>sin</b>; When <b>Christ</b> redeemed me by His <b>blood</b>, <i>[1Pet. 1:18-19]</i> Thy <b>righteousness</b> gave <b>peace</b> within. <i>[Isa. 32:17]</i></p> <p><b>2</b> O <b>God</b>, Thy <b>righteousness</b> <b>condemned</b> My <b>Savior</b> to the <b>cross</b> to <b>die</b>; <i>[Rom. 5:8]</i> Yet now to us Thy <b>righteousness</b> Grants <b>peace</b>, <b>forgives</b>, and <b>justifies</b>.</p> <p><b>3</b> Righteousness ruled all <b>debts</b> be paid; Yet, also, <b>righteousness</b> forbade That when accounts were fully paid Again collection could be made. <i>[1Cor. 6:20]</i></p> <p><b>4</b> Now that my <b>Lord</b> His <b>blood</b> has <b>shed</b>, You cannot sentence Him again, Nor ask me further <b>recompense</b>, Can but <b>forgive</b> and fully <b>cleanse</b>. <i>[Jer. 33:8; Acts 10:43; 1John 1:9]</i></p> <p><b>5</b> When first I heard of <b>righteousness</b>, <b>Fearful</b>, I sought to hide from thence, But at its mention now I sense Such sweetness and such <b>preciousness</b>.</p> <p><b>6</b> Since I have known Thy <b>righteousness</b>, Thy <b>grace</b> I can more clearly see; Thy <b>righteousness</b> gives wondrous <b>rest</b>, Thy <b>grace</b> supplies and comforts me. <i>[2Cor. 12:9; 2Thes. 2:16]</i></p> <p><b>2Pe 3:13</b>— But according to His <b>promise</b> we are expecting new heavens and a new earth, in which <b>righteousness</b> dwells.</p> <p><b>Isa 32:17</b>— And the <b>work</b> of <b>righteousness</b> will be <b>peace</b>, And the <b>result</b> of <b>righteousness</b>, <b>quietness</b> and <b>assurance</b> forever.</p> <p><b>2Pe 3:14</b>— Therefore, beloved, since you expect these things, be <b>diligent</b> to be found by Him in <b>peace</b> without spot and without blemish;</p> <p><b>2Pe 3:18</b>— But <b>grow</b> in the <b>grace</b> and <b>knowledge</b> of our <b>Lord</b> and <b>Savior Jesus Christ</b>. To Him be the <b>glory</b> both now and unto the day of <b>eternity</b>. Amen.</p>