## Peace

Isaiah 9:6-7a (NIV)

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end.

Psalm 29:11 (NIV)

The LORD gives strength to his people; the LORD blesses his people with peace.

Matthew 8:23-27 (NIV)

Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. Suddenly a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"

Peace comes from knowing the nearness of Christ in our troubles

Psalm 73:28 (NIV)

But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign LORD my refuge.

Isaiah 54:10, 13 (NIV)

Though the mountains be shaken and the hills be removed, yet my unfailing love for you will not be shaken nor my covenant of peace be removed," says the LORD who has compassion on you. ...All your children will be taught by the LORD, and great will be their peace.

Psalm 91:1-2 (NIV)

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

Peace comes from knowing the sovereignty of Christ in our troubles

Colossians 1:15-20 (NIV)

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Psalm 89:8-9 (NIV)

Who is like you, LORD God Almighty? You, LORD, are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you. You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, you still them.

Jeremiah 32:17 (NIV)

Ah, Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.

Peace comes from knowing the intervention of Christ in our troubles

Jesus casts out a demon

Luke 4:35-36 (NIV)

"Be quiet!" Jesus said sternly. "Come out of him!" Then the demon threw the man down before them all and came out without injuring him. All the people were amazed and said to each other, "What words these are! With authority and power he gives orders to impure spirits and they come out!"

Jesus heals the man with leprosy

Luke 5:12-13 (NIV)

While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him,

"Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean." Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. "I am willing," he said. "Be clean!" And immediately the leprosy left him.

Jesus heals the paralyzed man

Luke 5:24b-25 (NIV)

So he said to the paralyzed man, "I tell you, <u>get up</u>, take your mat and go home." Immediately he stood up in front of them, took what he had been lying on and went home praising God.

Jesus raises the dead son

Luke 7:14-15 (ESV)

Then he came up and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, <u>arise.</u>" And the dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother.

In order to feel the nearness of Christ, in order to believe in the sovereignty of Christ and in order to experience the intervention of Christ we must first be included in the family of Christ

"No peace is to be found out of Christ. No peace can warm our heart while we forget Christ. He is our peace. Never go, dear brethren and sisters, for your peace to the law or to your own experience, to your own past achievements, or even to your own faith. All your peace is in Jesus." — Charles Spurgeon