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1 Peter 1:10-12

¹⁰ Concerning this salvation, the prophets, who spoke of the grace that was to come to you, searched intently and with the greatest care, ¹¹ trying to find out the time and circumstances to which the Spirit of Christ in them was pointing when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the glories that would follow.

1 Peter 1:10-12

.¹² It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves but you, when they spoke of the things that have now been told you by those who have preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven. Even angels long to look into these things.



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Isaiah 9:6-7

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.

Isaiah 9:6-7

He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

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Wonderful Counselor



Mighty God

The background is a deep space scene with a dark purple and blue gradient. It is filled with numerous small, bright white stars of varying sizes. A prominent, bright, yellowish-white nebula or star cluster is visible in the upper center, casting a soft glow. The overall effect is ethereal and celestial.

Everlasting Father

A purple candle with a bright flame is centered in the image. The background is a dark purple and blue gradient, resembling a night sky with many small white stars. The candle is lit, and its flame is a bright yellow and orange. The text "Prince of Peace" is written in white, bold, sans-serif font across the middle of the image, partially overlapping the candle.

Prince of Peace

Luke 2:14

*Glory to God in the highest
heaven, and on earth peace to
those on whom his favor rests.*

Isaiah 9:6

*And the government will
rest on His shoulders.*

**Before He could bring
relational peace he had to
bring spiritual peace with
God.**

James 4:1-2

What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you? You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight.

I believe in God...But I'm not a religious fanatic. I can't remember the last time I've been in church. My faith has carried me a long way. It's "Sheilaism." Just my own little voice.

-Habits of the Heart, Robert Bellah



**How can we have peace
with God?**

Colossians 1:19-22

¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Colossians 1:19-22

21 Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. 22 But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation.



Jesus is our
“Peace Offering”

**When we are at peace with
God all other kinds of peace
we long for becomes possible.**

A lit candle is positioned in the center of the frame, its flame glowing brightly. The candle is set against a dark, starry night sky. The background is a deep purple and blue, with numerous small, white stars scattered across it. The candle's light creates a soft, warm glow that illuminates the surrounding area, casting a gentle light on the stars and the sky. The overall mood is peaceful and serene, evoking a sense of calm and tranquility.

Internal Peace

The background of the image is a deep purple and blue gradient, resembling a night sky. It is filled with numerous small, white, out-of-focus stars of varying sizes. In the center of the image, there is a lit candle. The candle is a solid purple color, and its flame is a bright, glowing yellow and orange. The light from the flame creates a soft, circular glow around it, which fades into the surrounding purple and blue background. The overall mood is peaceful and contemplative.

Relational Peace

A lit candle is positioned in the center of the frame, its flame glowing brightly. The candle is set against a dark, starry night sky. The sky features a gradient of colors, transitioning from deep purple at the top to a lighter blue and then to a warm orange-red at the bottom. Numerous small, white stars are scattered across the sky, adding to the celestial theme. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Circumstantial Peace

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