

Peace at any price?

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Introduction

1. Philippians 4:7
2. Some have wanted peace when there is no peace. Jeremiah 6:14
3. Background for our study
 1. Paul and Silas in prison Acts 16
 2. Suffering for the cause of Christ
 3. When Paul writes this he is again in prison Acts 28
4. Paul had a kind of peace with God which we all should strive
5. Let us study this kind of peace.

II Discussion

1. What do we mean by peace?
 1. Vines states a harmonious relationship between man and man and God and man
 2. We want to think about the peace between God and man, or man and God.
2. Can we have peace with God?
 1. Yes, but only on God's terms. Man is the one who left God Isaiah 59:1-2
 2. God has provided grace and mercy to have peace with Him Acts 10:36; Ephesians 2:17
 3. This peace is through the blood of Christ Colossians 1:20
3. Can we have this peace for nothing
 1. This peace cost God a great deal John 3:16; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Revelation 1:5
 2. This peace has cost dearly
 1. John the Baptist paid a high price Matthew 14:3-12
 2. Humbling ourselves to do His commands John 14:15
4. Many are not willing to pay the price to have and maintain this peace
 1. This peace does not come by once saved always saved.
 2. Some are not willing to pay the price for this peace John 12:42-43
 3. Some are not willing to work to have and keep this peace Luke 8:14; Philippians 2:12
 4. Some want to compromise to have peace with fellow man, they will not have it with God
 1. Some sell out Jude 11; 2 Peter 2:15
 2. Some want to cut out scriptures 2 John 9-11 Jeremiahs 36. NIV
 3. If we accept some interruption of fellowship then we will fellowship all those who accept Christ as being the Son of God
 4. Some want us to go the the plains of ONO to compromise Jeremiah 6

III Are we willing to pay the price for peace with God?

1. It cost God a lot
2. The peace the U.S. enjoys cost a lot We must be willing to pay the price for us to enjoy and continue to enjoy it this peace.
3. We must be willing to pay the price for us to have peace with God 1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Timothy 2:3; Jude 3; 1 Timothy 1:19; Ephesian 6

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