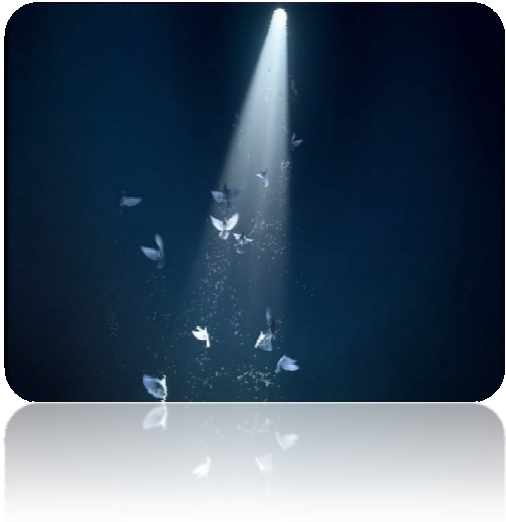


The Peace of Jesus

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John 14 : 27 (KJV)



“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.” John 14:27

Have you ever been confronted by a situation that you felt you could not cope with? Your entire world as you know it fell and crumbled into a million pieces and it actually seems like you could never put it back together again? The question on my heart is, where do you begin to deal with such traumatic situations and what are the dealing mechanisms people use to get over these things? But without looking at the stats, I am quite certain that is the number one reason why alcohol and drug abuse are so prevalent in today's society. People have no proper dealing mechanisms. People have no way out, except to drown out sorrows or temporarily forget their troubles. But it's just that...temporary.

In the Bible, book of John chapter 14 verse 27 tells us that Jesus promises us His peace. He promises us that the peace and comfort found within Him, He will freely give to us. And this comfort that Jesus promises us is like no other. It cannot be compared to any other peace that you can have. Jesus promises us that His peace is unlike anything that can be found in the world. It's not fragile, it's not temporary, it's not easily broken and it will not destroy you from the inside out. The peace that He gives you, will settle your mind, you will not be consumed by negative thoughts that will influence major life changing decisions. The peace that He gives you, will give you a better, wider, clearer picture of why you are experiencing the things you are. The peace of Jesus will give you a look into your future, a future of hope, love and prosperity.

So when you are in times of trouble, hurt and deep pain, Christ promises us that He will give us a peace that will surpass all understanding. It will strengthen you. It will encourage you. It will lift you up and it will instead, heal you from the inside out. So when you feel that you are in a place of brokenness don't run to the empty promises of the world. Don't run to temporary worldly solutions which will drown out your problem, or make you forget it. Run straight into the arms of Jesus. Pray for Him to come into your heart and life, and as soon as you do that, His peace will rest upon you and on the situation you currently face. You will feel different, you will look at your situation differently and you will see your future in a far different brighter light...

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