

Philippians 4:6,7

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Who Wants -

Needs -

Seeks -

PEACE?

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PEACE?

The world CAN BE
a place of worry,
anxiety, Stress,
fear and terror . . .

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Severe weather - Work
overload - Unexpected
expenses - Material loss
- Anxieties concerning
future provisions . . .

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Rejection - Emotional
Scars - Mistreatment
- Sickness - Death -
Loss of a loved one . . .

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Sin / Repeatedly
sub-coming to
temptation / Absence
of inner peace, i.e.,
spiritual insecurity . . .

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WE ALL WANT IT -
BUT - Most are
searching for it in all the
wrong places and all the
wrong ways.

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Philippians 4:6-13 (NKJV)

⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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Philippians 4:6-13 (NKJV)

⁸ Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.

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Philippians 4:6-13 (NKJV)

⁹ The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you. ¹⁰ But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me has flourished again; though you surely did care, but you lacked opportunity.

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Philippians 4:6-13 (NKJV)

¹¹ Not that I speak in regard to need, for I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content:
¹² I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound.

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Philippians 4:6-13 (NKJV)

Everywhere and in all things I have learned both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. ¹³ I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

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Complete
Confidence & Trust
in God

will guard your
hearts and
minds through
Christ Jesus.

**The
peace
of God**

Total
Dependence on
God - the
sovereign of the
universe

Attitude of Contentment
w/ the spiritual, eternal &
certain blessings in Christ

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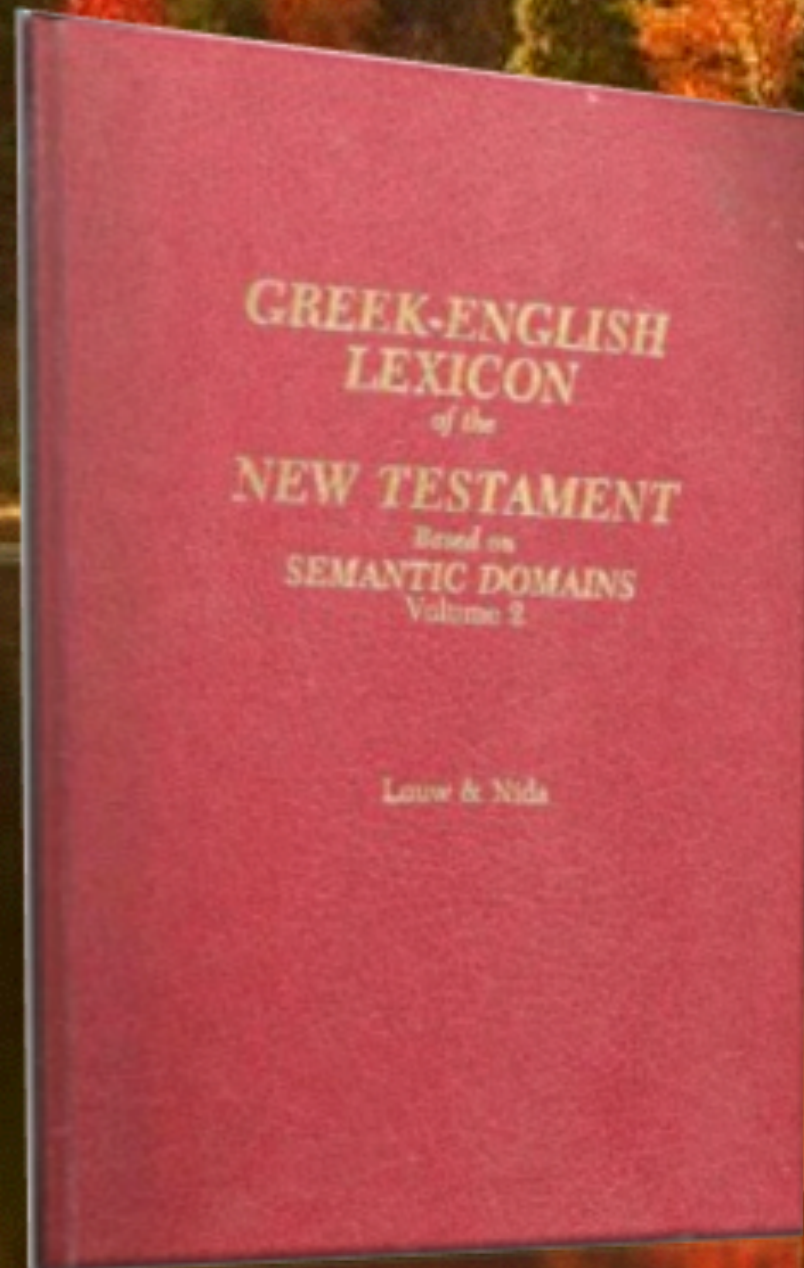
THE NEW
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James Strong, LL.D., S.T.D.

1515. εἰρήνη **ěirēnē**, *i-ray'-nay*;
prob. from a prim. verb εἶρω **ěirō**
(to *join*); *peace* (lit. or fig.); by
impl. *prosperity*:—one, peace,
quietness, rest, + set at one
again.

Strong, J. (2009). *A Concise Dictionary of the Words in the Greek Testament and The Hebrew Bible*. Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software.

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1645 εἰρήνη (*eirēnē*), ης (*ēs*), ἡ (*hē*):
n.fem.; 1. LN 22.42 **peace**, harmony,
tranquility; in certain contexts seen in
the OT concept of the *Shalom*, *i.e.*,
welfare, health (Mt 10:34; Mk 5:34; Jn
14:27; 16:33; 20:19, 21; Ro 1:7; 5:1;
15:33; Gal 5:22; Eph 2:14; Php 4:7, 9;
Col 3:15; Ro 10:15 v.r.); 2. LN 25.248
freedom from worry (Gal 5:22), for
another interp, see prior

Louw, J. P., & Nida, E. A. (1996). *Greek-English lexicon of the New Testament: based on semantic domains*. New York: United Bible Societies.

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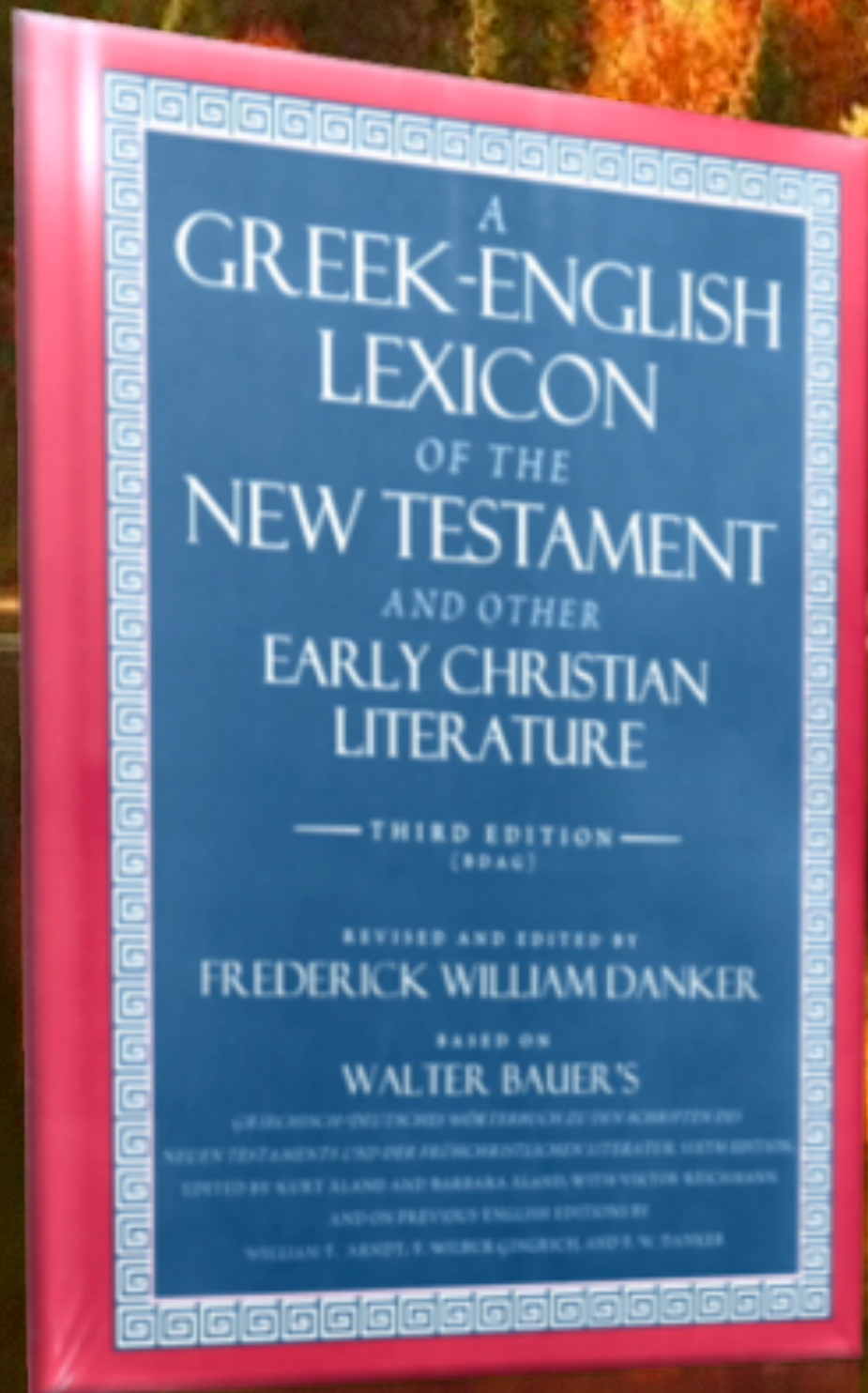
Greek (New Testament)

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22.42 εἰρήνη^a, ης f: a set of favorable circumstances involving peace and tranquility—‘peace, tranquility.’ . . .
The meaning of ‘peace’ or ‘tranquility’ may be expressed in some languages in a negative form, for example, ‘to be without trouble’ or ‘to have no worries’ or ‘to sit down in one’s heart.’

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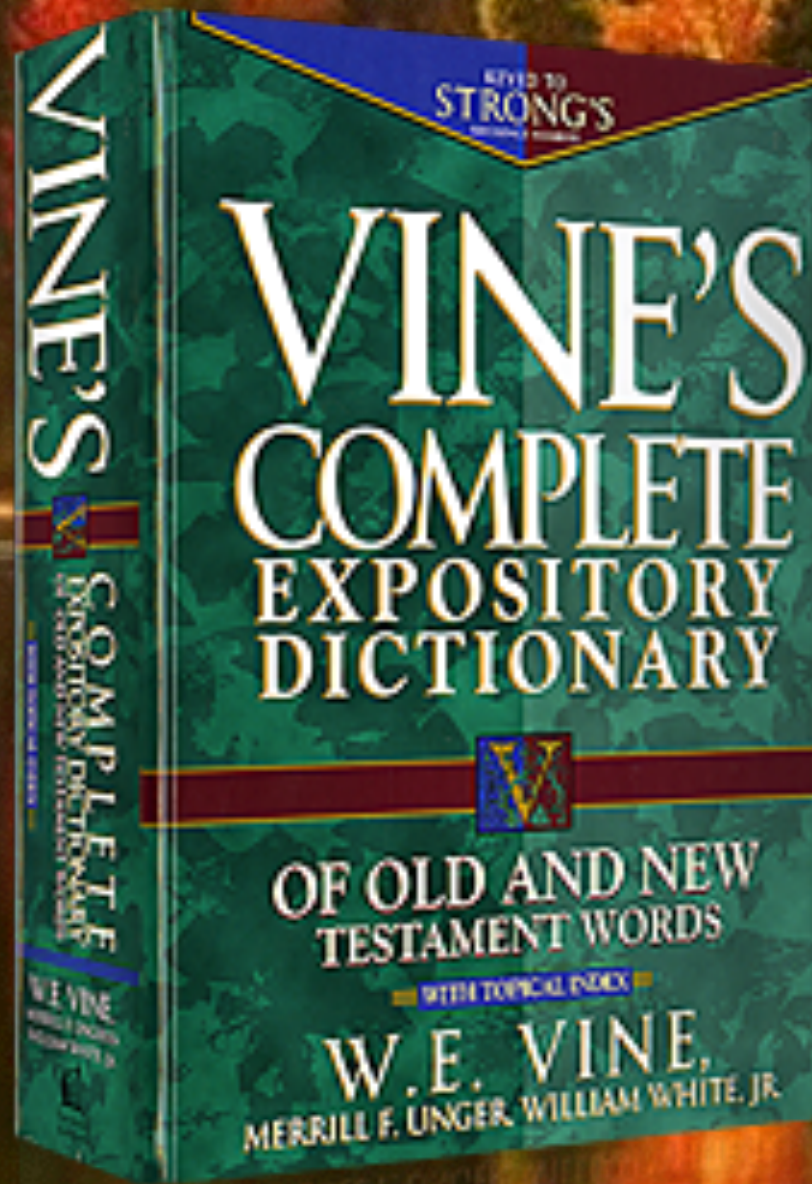
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1. a state of concord, peace, harmony - between governments - harmony in personal relationships
peace, harmony - good order, 1 Cor 14:33
2. a state of well-being, peace - welfare, health - synonymous w. messianic salvation

A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature. - BDAG

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It describes (a) harmonious relationships between men, (b) between nations, (c) friendliness, (d) freedom from molestation, (e) order, in the State, in the churches, (f) the harmonized relationships between God and man, accomplished through the gospel, (g) the sense of rest and contentment consequent thereon,

Vine's Expository Dictionary of Old Testament and New Testament Words.

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“5. according to a conception distinctly peculiar to Christianity, the tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God and content with its earthly lot, of whatsoever sort that is”

Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament.



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“The deep tranquility of a soul resting wholly upon God – the antithesis to the solicitude engendered by the world and worldliness.”

(Ellicott, 102,103)

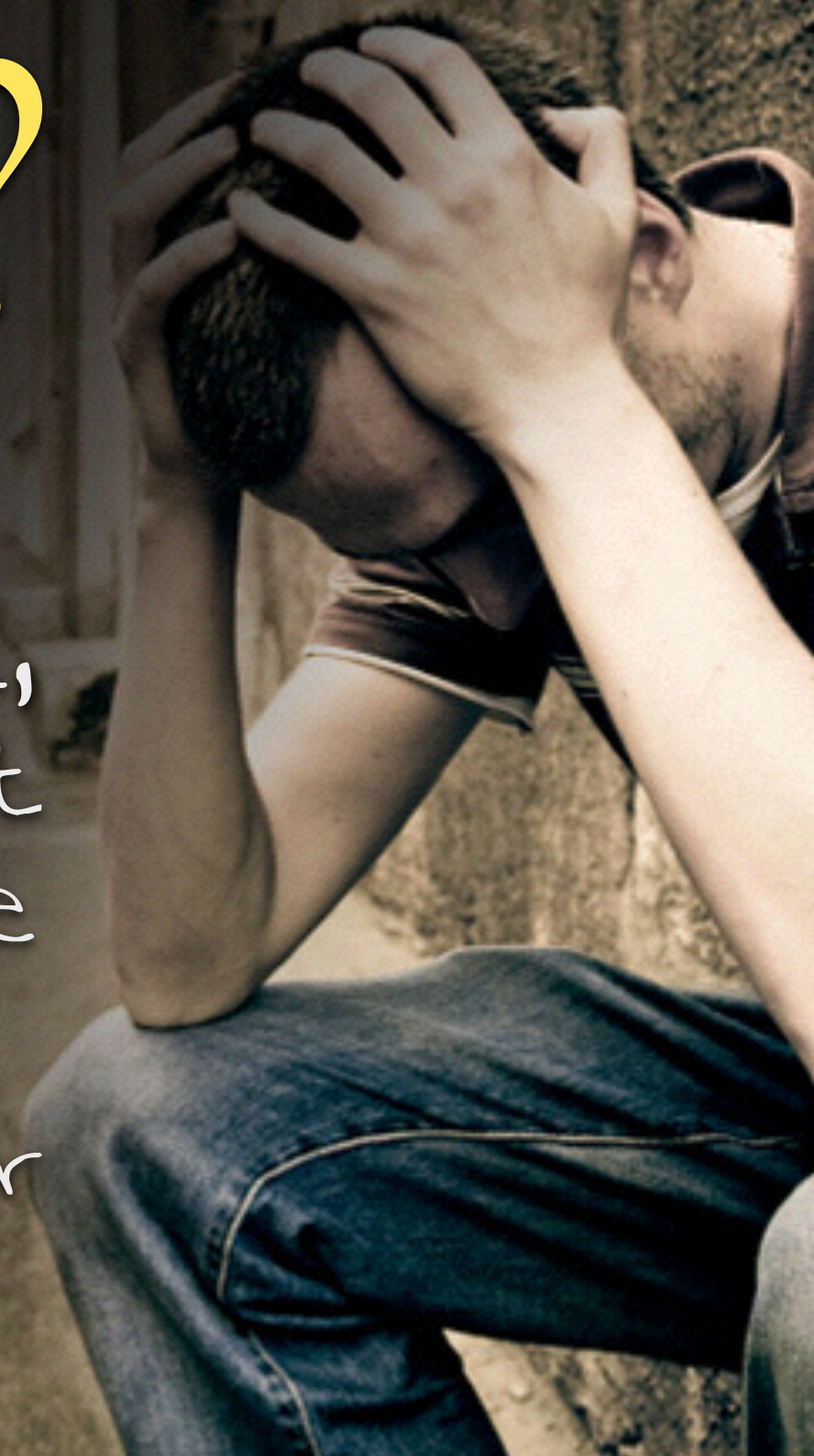


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John 14:27 (NKJV)

Peace I leave with you,
My peace I give to you; not
as the world gives do I give
to you. Let not your
heart be troubled, neither
let it be afraid.



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GOD'S PEACE

- ◆ Circumstances good or bad
- ◆ God is in control
- ◆ As long as we hold fast to the truth
- ◆ Based on eternal, spiritual & obtainable promises

WORLD'S PEACE

- ◆ As long as circumstances are good
- ◆ As long as we are in control
- ◆ As long as we keep quiet & don't ruffle feathers
- ◆ Based on things temporary.

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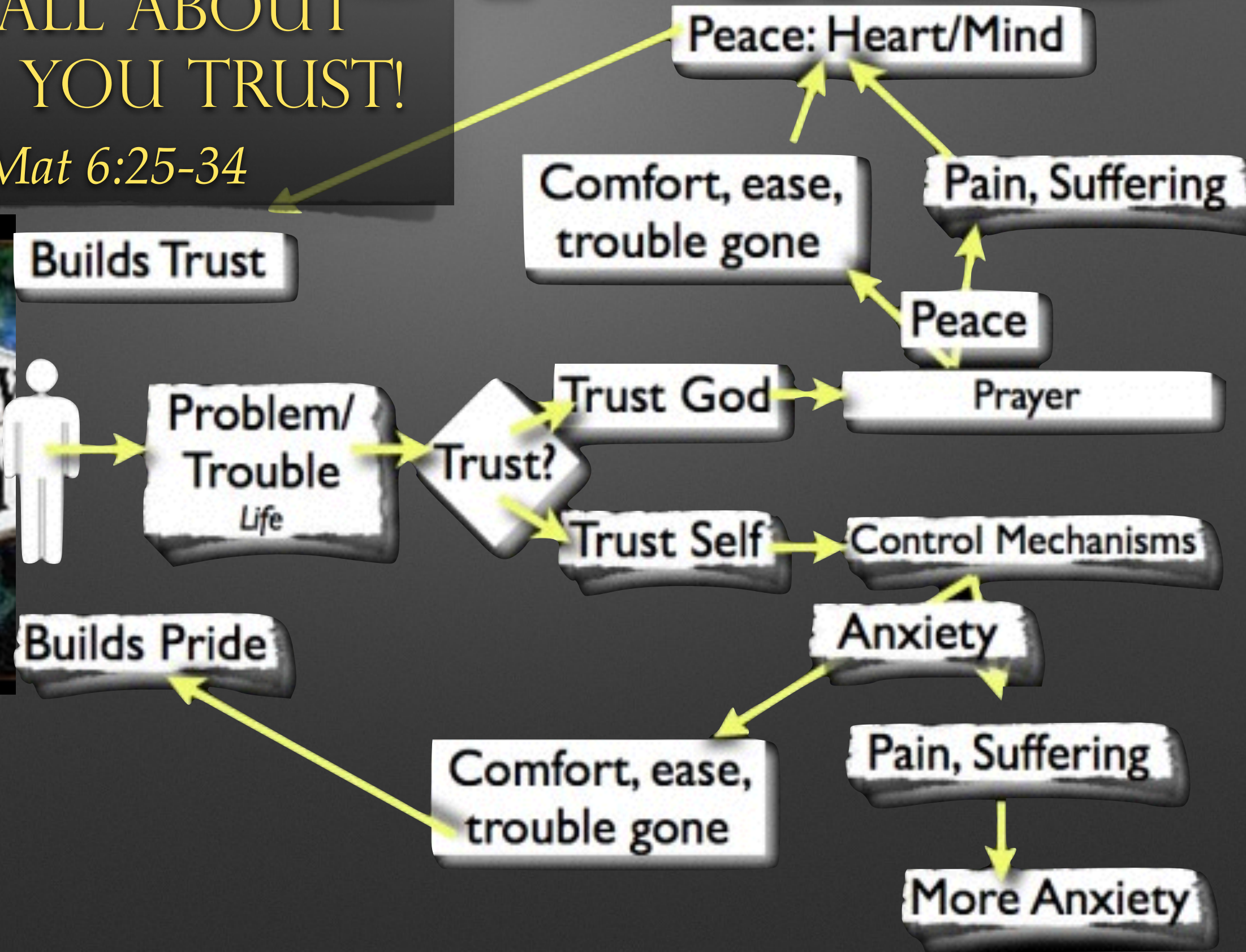
These things I have
spoken to you, that in Me you
may have peace. In the world
you will have tribulation; but
be of good cheer, I have
overcome the world."



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IT'S ALL ABOUT
WHO YOU TRUST!

Mat 6:25-34



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PEACE EXEMPLIFIED

- * Jesus before High Priest & Pilate - (John 18,19)
- * Steven on trial - (Acts 7)
- * James put to death, Herod plans to kill Peter - Peter sleeps - (Acts 12:1-12 - vs 6)
- * Paul preparing for death - (2 Tim 1:12; 4:6-8)



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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Peace with God is based upon what God has done for us - (Eph. 2:1-14; Tit 2:11-3:8; Heb 13:20,21)
- * Conditioned upon our adherence to God's revealed will! - (Phili 4:9; Col 3:15; compare Pr 3:17).



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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Comes From Jesus - Jn 14:27; Isa 9:6-7; Jn 16:33
- * Preached Through Him - remission of sins - Acts 10:36-43
 - ✓ With God - Rom 5:1-11; Ep. 2:12,13
 - ✓ With Others - Eph. 2:14-16
 - ✓ With Self - Phil. 4:7; Col 3:15

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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Right Thinking - Philo 4:8;
Isa 26:3; 2 Pet 3:16-18
- * Right Doing - Philo 4:9; Psa
119:165; Isa 48:18; Jn 14:23;

Philip. 4:9 (NKJV)

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119:165; Isa 48:18; Jn 14:23;
- * Right Attitude - (learning
contentment, trusting, loving,
depending on God's provisions
- SPIRITUAL or CARNAL)
Philo 4:10-13; Mark 12:29-31



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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

With God

- * Hear Him, Believe Him, & Obey Him - Acts 2:38; 1 Pet 3:21

With Others

- * Ist - be reconciled to God - then "pursue" peace with others - 1 Pe 3:8-12

With Self

- * Walk in the Spirit - Rom. 8:1; Gal. 5:16

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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Trust in God - Live for Him, not yourself!
- * Do not live in the past - Do not waste time worrying about what you cannot change.
- * Do not indulge in self pity.



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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Seek to eliminate suspicion and resentment.
- * Cultivate, love, joy, compassion, good humor, and loyalty.
- * Be realistic in your expectations of others as well as your expectations of yourself.



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HOW CAN I HAVE PEACE?

- * Slow down - live simply - live within your means -
- * Value the things we should - truly put God first & watch everything else fall into place . . .



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WILL ENABLE YOU TO:

- * Get beyond the regrets of the past
- * Manage the anxiety of the present
- * Overcome the fear of the future



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KNOW Jesus
KNOW Peace!



No Jesus
No Peace –

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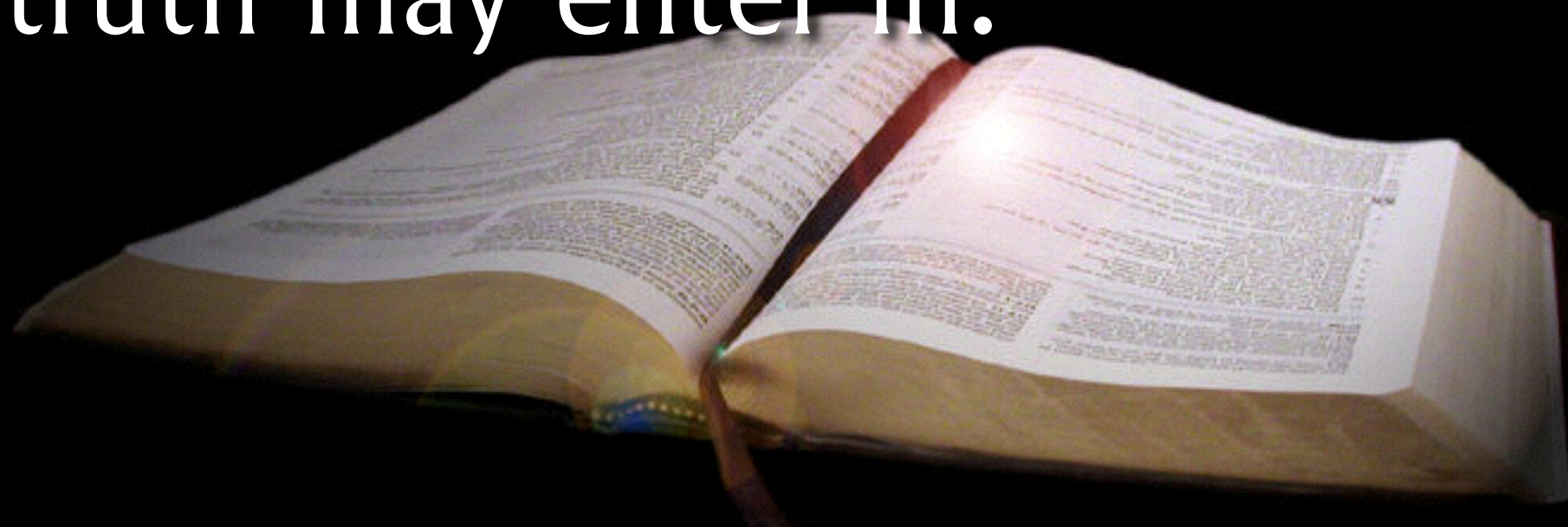
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ISAIAH 26:1-9 (NKJV)

¹ In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: "We have a strong city; God will appoint salvation for walls and bulwarks. ² Open the gates, That the righteous nation which keeps the truth may enter in.



ISAIAH 26:1-9 (NKJV)

³ You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose mind is stayed on You, Because he trusts in You. ⁴ Trust in the Lord forever, For in Yah, the Lord, is everlasting strength.



ISAIAH 26:1-9 (NKJV)

⁵ For He brings down those who dwell on high, The lofty city; He lays it low, He lays it low to the ground, He brings it down to the dust. ⁶ The foot shall tread it down— The feet of the poor And the steps of the needy.”



ISAIAH 26:1-9 (NKJV)

⁷ The way of the just is uprightness;
O Most Upright, You weigh the
path of the just. ⁸ Yes, in the way of
Your judgments, O Lord, we have
waited for You; The desire of our
soul is for Your name And for the
remembrance of You.



ISAIAH 26:1-9 (NKJV)

⁹ With my soul I have desired You
in the night, Yes, by my spirit
within me I will seek You early;
For when Your judgments are in
the earth, The inhabitants of the
world will learn righteousness.

