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Message Series: Behold A Savior Is Born

Today's Message: The Promise of Peace

Christmas Offers:

- 1) The peace that Jesus Offers—so different from the world.
- 2) Peace that helps us face the troubles of the world without fear.
- 3) It's all about the prophetic promise of peace that is fulfilled thru the birth of Jesus Christ.
Isaiah 98:18

1. Possessing Peace Like A River

- 1) Peace is submission to a trust worthy authority, not resignation from activity.
Isaiah 26:3, 4 Ephesians 2:1, 2, 8, 9

- 2) To experience continual peace, we must be constantly feeding our relationship with God.

John 15:14

- 3) Obedience to God's authority thru the power of the Holy Spirit brings both peace like a river and righteous consistency.

Isaiah 48:18

Isaiah 9:6, 7

2. Peace Is Promised By The Prince of Peace

John 14:27

Philippians 4:7

A BIG Contrast: God's Peace vs Culture's Peace

1) The World's Kind of Pace

⇒ Appears beautiful and fulfilling - but as life's storms hit - it begins to crack up, unable to withstand life's problems.

John 14:27

- 2) **God's Peace** - like an unshakeable lighthouse - not as pretty as a beautiful boat but rooted on the Solid Rock of God's authority, standing firm. God's peace remains unwavering in the face of life's trials.

3. Living In Peace

Hebrews 12:1, 2

"originator" (GK: archegos): author, founder, source, prince, leader

"perfecter" (GK: feleroter): completer, finisher

Isaiah 43:2

Philippians 4:7

God's Peace: has nothing to do with our possessions and achievements, but everything to do with our relationship with Jesus Christ.