

Sermon Notes

Sermon Series | **He Will Be Called...**

Sermon Title | *Prince of Peace* 4/4

12/18/11 | Pastor Steve

morningstar



Isaiah 9:6 “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.” (NIV)

①. Peace is an _____

Psalms 27:3-5, 14 “When besieged, I'm calm as a baby. When all hell breaks loose, I'm collected and cool. I'm asking God for one thing, only one thing. To live with him in his house my whole life long...That's the only quiet, secure place in a noisy world, the perfect getaway, far from the buzz of traffic...Stay with God! Take heart. Don't quit. I'll say it again: Stay with God.” (Message)
Peace is an inside job!

②. Peace _____ with Jesus.

John 14:27 “I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give isn't fragile like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid.” (TLB)

1-Inside Job
2-Begins
3-Step

③. We _____ into it by faith.

Romans 5:1 “Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...” (NIV)

Philippians 4:6-7 “Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (NIV)

Year End Giving Guidelines...

If you are thinking about making a “year-end” donation, then there are some guidelines you need to know. Charitable contributions must be claimed in the year in which they are made. This means that a check deposited in the church offering in January of 2012 cannot be deducted in 2011 even if it is backdated to 2011. The only exception is if a check is mailed and postmarked in 2011.

All contribution statements will be sent out by January 31, 2012. If we have your e-mail address in our records then your contribution statement will be e-mailed. If you itemize deductions on your income tax return, this statement is the required IRS documentation. Checkout the IRS website for other questions you may have regarding charitable donations. www.irs.gov

Tips For A Happy & Healthy 2011 Christmas

Here are some tips to make your Christmas meal one that contributes to your health:

1. Skip the basting. Choose a plain bird and cook in a bag to seal in the moisture. Remove the skin before serving.
2. Refrigerate the turkey juices and skim off the hardened fat before making gravy.
3. Use ingredients like whole wheat bread, vegetables, fruits (cranberries, raisins, dates or apples), nuts and your favorite spices for the stuffing and bake it separately in the oven rather than in the turkey.
4. Serve your sweet potatoes or yams baked rather than candied and let your guests add butter to taste.
5. Use skim milk or buttermilk rather than whole milk and skip the butter for your mashed potatoes.
6. Give your meal gourmet appeal by cooking your green vegetables with garlic, nuts and herbs rather than creamy or fat-laden sauces.
7. Don't serve the meal on your largest plates. By using smaller plates you ensure smaller portion sizes. And even that second helping isn't quite so damaging.
8. Use a meal replacement shake or bar for one or more meals the day before and/or after Christmas so that your total caloric intake over the three day period is not excessive.

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