

Jesus Gives the Gifts Of Security & Peace

Isaiah 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given: and the government shall be on his shoulder: and His name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Jesus The Everlasting Father

When you think of a father, what comes to your mind? Our concept of God the Father is often affected by our experience with our earthly father.

We often see earthly fathers in a negative way

Too often we see them as never being satisfied.

Too often we see them as always being angry.

Too often we see them as never being there.

Today let's give Jesus, the everlasting Father, the opportunity to reveal what kind of Father He is. Let's look at Him through the lens of Scripture, not through the lens of our earthly father. Jesus is as an Everlasting Father who offers us the gift of security.

Jesus The Everlasting Father Offers The Gift Of Security Through Mercy and Compassion

The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. Psalm 103:8

It is a liberating moment when we realize there is nothing that we can do to try and work to earn God's love. His love is a gift.

Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:28-29

We need to live our lives in a way that glorifies God, but stop trying to do everything right so that God will accept us. Let's stop trying to live our lives so that He will love us. Instead, let's live our lives because He does love us.

Jesus Offers The Gift Of Security By Caring

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Jeremiah 29:11

This was a word that God gave to his people who would be spending their lives as slaves in a foreign land. Their sin had led them there, yet God said, 'I still want what is best for you and I will restore you once again.' Even when we make bad choices that hurt us, God still cares for us and wants the best for us.

Jesus Offers The Gift Of Security By His Consistency

Hebrews 13:5b I will never leave you, nor forsake you.

God loves us right up to the end as we push him away, even as we destroy our lives. He never gives up.

Jesus Is An Everlasting Father Who Offers Us The Gift of Peace

And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6b

We will never have peace as long as we doubt that Jesus has things under control.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests. Luke 2:14

Jesus' Gift Of Peace Comforts Us

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27

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

Jesus' Gift Of Peace Saves Us

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

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. For Christ Himself is our peace. Ephesians 2:13-14a

There can be nothing that could bring us more peace than to understand that we are at peace (in a good relationship) with the Creator of the universe.

Merry Christmas, as you thank God today for His Son, and for all His Gifts!