



THE BLESSING OF PEACE • ROMANS 1:7

The Apostle Paul repeats the word peace eleven times in the letter to the Roman church, and never once is it used in a random or tertiary way. Rather, there is a logical flow to how he wants us to understand the comprehensive peace that is meant to mark the life of every believer, and the order of how it is used is vital. So, this morning we will trace his use of “The Blessing of Peace” showing that in the gospel we are now given 1. Peace With God, 2. Peace Within, and 3. Peace With Others.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Peace With God:**

The sermon emphasizes that peace with God comes only after receiving the grace of God through Christ (Romans 5:1). How would you explain the difference between trying to “feel at peace” and actually being at peace with God through justification? How has understanding this difference impacted (or challenged) your faith?

2. **Peace Within:**

Romans 8:5–6 teaches that setting our minds on the Spirit leads to life and peace. What are some practical ways we can “set our minds on the Spirit” in seasons of anxiety, suffering, or shame? What tends to pull your mind away from this focus?

3. **Peace With Others:**

Romans 12:18 says, “If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.” In what ways can our church intentionally cultivate a “culture of peace”? Where do you see this being most tested in real life?

4. **Proclaiming Peace:**

The sermon ends with a call to proclaim the “good news of peace” (Romans 10:15). Who in your life currently needs to hear about peace with God through Christ? What fears or obstacles make it difficult to share that message, and how can we pray for one another in this area?

5. **Shaping Question:**

Are you experiencing the peace of Jesus Christ in your life today?