

## Sermon Notes

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Date: December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024

Series: Christmas Message

Sermon: "Christmas Peace"

Text: Rom. 5:1-11

**Introduction:** Often, at Christmas time, some story is told about how the Christmas season evokes some cessation of an ongoing war, or some kind of interruption in hostility. But we need two clarifications:

First - we need to correct the thinking that has sprung up around the KJV translation of Luke 2:14. This "peace on earth" is not really peace. It is simply temporary "\_\_\_\_\_ " before the fighting begins again.

Secondly - we need to realize there are \_\_\_\_\_ of peace that need to be considered in the NT:

1. The peace \_\_\_\_\_ (Phil 4:7)
2. Peace \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 5:1)

So, we must answer two questions:

- I. How \_\_\_\_\_ peace with God? (vv. 1, 6-9a)
- II. What does this \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 2-11)—five benefits:
  - A. A \_\_\_\_\_ in grace (v.2)
  - B. Rejoicing in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (v. 2b)
  - C. Embracing the \_\_\_\_\_ of life (vv. 3-5)
  - D. It \_\_\_\_\_ wrath (v.9)
  - E. \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 11)



BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH

December 22, 2024

TODAY: New Member Baptism 11 AM

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## Welcome

Thank you for joining us today at Berean Baptist Church. We would delight in assisting you in any way that we can. **Please feel free to stop by the Welcome Center after the 11 AM Worship.** Information regarding children's classes and our check-in system are located in the lobby at the child check-in kiosk.

## Prayer

### Missionary of the Month:

Ben & Sarah Layer ~ Poland ~ Disciple the Nations

**Prayer Families of the Week:** Tom Conti, Paul & Shari Jackson, Johnathan Smith, Al & Sue Uema

**Prayer Ministry of the Month:** Global Mission

**Pastor of the Week:** Zachary & Selecia Favazza and family

**Deacon of the Week:** Doug & Jackie Campbell and family

## Calendar

<u>Monday 23rd</u>	<u>Tuesday 24th</u>	<u>Wednesday 25th</u>
Anchormen 7:30 AM Revel 7 PM		Merry Christmas!
<u>Thursday 26th</u>	<u>Friday 27th</u>	<u>Saturday 28th</u>
Deacon Meeting 7 PM		

For a detailed listing of future events, please refer to our website calendar:  
[www.bereanlife.org/calendar/](http://www.bereanlife.org/calendar/)

## Stewardship

Tithes/Offerings:	\$17,447	YTD Giving:	\$961,331
Weekly Budget:	\$16,369	YTD Budget:	\$818,441
YTD Missions:	\$151,740	Building Fund:	\$311,939
Local Missions:	\$77,050		

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## Announcements

### LOST & FOUND CLOSET

Please check out our lost & found closet for items you may be missing (*located to the right as you enter the east main entrance*). There are several mugs, jackets, hats, towels, trays, etc. All unclaimed items will be donated after January 1st.

### HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

- **Tuesday, December 24th** - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service at 6 pm
- **Sunday, December 29th** - Worship Service at 11:00 am  
(No Sunday School or 8:30 am service)

### IMPORTANT DATES REGARDING CHILDREN'S MINISTER CANDIDACY

**1/5/25 - Combined Adult Sunday School and Q&A**

**1/12/25 - Business Meeting Vote - Fellowship to Follow**

*Please bring finger foods to share (meatballs, fruit, vegetable tray, etc.)  
If you have any questions, please contact Jackie Campbell.*

**Reminder:** There will be time for Q&A during the Combined Adult Sunday School and Members Meeting. However, Bereans are encouraged to approach the pastors or David with any questions or feedback ahead of time (if possible) to try and achieve the most helpful dialogue.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY PRISCILLA PROGRAM

The Priscilla Program is a ministry of Berean that exists for the purpose of training women to study God's Word with an eye toward teaching it. In our next session, we will be studying the book of Revelation. This will take place **January 23-25 (Thursday/Friday evening, Saturday morning/afternoon)**. Passage assignments will go out next week so if ladies would like to sign up, please contact Nicole Dalfino at [nicoledalfino@gmail.com](mailto:nicoledalfino@gmail.com) or 781-640-8706.

