

Perfect Peace

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Isaiah 26:3 (ESV)

YOU KEEP him in perfect peace
whose “mind” is stayed on YOU,
BECAUSE he “trusts” in YOU.

Stayed means “lay hold” of something.

We “lay hold” of something because we trust it.

God keeps us in Perfect Peace BECAUSE our mind has laid hold of HIM. Our minds laid hold of God BECAUSE we trust HIM.

God is good and will teach us what is right. This means, “We don’t get any bad information.”

Psalm 25:8 (ESV)

Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore, he instructs sinners in the way.

Since God is eternal, we know what HE teaches us will never change. Therefore, we have stability from God that will “never” falter.

Isaiah 26:4 (ESV)

Trust in the LORD “forever”
for the LORD GOD is an “everlasting” rock.

We trust God forever in whatever circumstances because HE is our everlasting stability. Therefore, we are stable in Perfect Peace because God is stable. HE is our everlasting Rock.

Stability through God's instruction gives us a level path that is fully under the God's protection and provision.

Isaiah 26:7 (NIV)

The path of the righteous is level;
you, the Upright One, make the way of the righteous smooth.

Of course, we have rough times, but these rough times are under God's watchful eye to teach us and build us up. Thus, when we are in the middle of tough times, our minds lay hold of God, the ONE we trust.

By Faith in God, we trust in God, thus we have Perfect Peace. Practically, how do we live out Perfect Peace in times of turmoil?

Isaiah 26:8 (NIV)

Yes, LORD, walking in the way of your laws,
we wait for you.

For Perfect Peace, we wait for the LORD. How do we wait for the Lord? We continue to do what God has already told us to do. By doing what we know, we are "actively" waiting on the LORD. We don't do anything different until God tells us something different or does something different. How do we have Perfect Peace? We walk in the truth God has already revealed to us. By being obedient to God in the moment, we are trusting God for the future. Therefore, we have present and continued Perfect Peace.

God is going to act. We see it, but others don't.

Isaiah 26:11 (ESV)

O LORD, your hand is lifted up,
but they do not see it.

We have Perfect Peace because we trust the LORD and are assured that HE is going to move powerfully.

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We have Perfect Peace "BECAUSE" (a significant word that is in the original Hebrew language) we trust God! With this OT instruction, let us apply NT understanding!

Perfect Peace Guards Us!

Philippians 4:7 (ESV)

And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard (military term) your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Perfect Peace Guides Us!

Colossians 3:15 (ESV)

And let the peace of Christ rule (arbitrate, umpire) in your hearts!

Perfect Peace means harmony with God. We obtain harmony with God through Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:1 (ESV)

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Therefore, to have peace we have to know the Peace Giver!

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV)

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Prophetic Team

Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.