

HAVING PEACE IN A TROUBLED WORLD

There's a whole lot of trouble in this world.

Shootings, violence, divorce, political corruption, etc.

Jesus said, I have told you these things so that in Me you may have peace, in this world you will have trouble, but take heart, I have overcome the world.

Sin is the reason we have trouble in this world.

God gives us favor even though we do not deserve it.

We are all a long way from where God wants us to be.

But we can trust Him, continually submit ourselves to Him, say we are sorry, ask God heal us, to take those desires from us that are not pleasing to Him.

Everything God allows us to go through is for our good.

We need to look at things from God perspective, be aware of the evil going on, yet looking at the good in everything.

Be focused on what God is doing in people, focus on the positive, not the negative.

The whole earth is filled with His glory.

The joy of the Lord is our strength.

Don't get stressed over things that you can't control.

God only gives us control over so much.

Don't be anxious about anything.

Don't quit.

We have to prove ourselves in the lower things or smaller things before we get promoted to bigger things.

Main points:

1. Know who your Father is.
2. Understand the Father's favor.
3. Live out the Father's favor.
4. Embrace the valley.
5. Don't take offense.

SCRIPTURE LIST

John 16:33

Genesis 3:14-19

Luke 15:11-24

Isaiah 61

Philippians 1:21

Deuteronomy 28:1-14

Romans 8:18-28

Philippians 4:4-8

Isaiah 6:3

Psalms 30