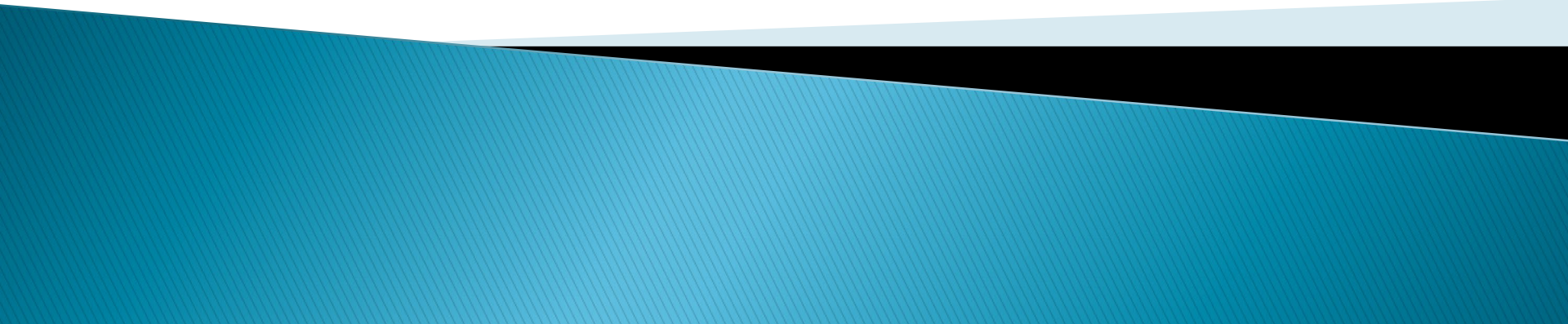


Peace:

Session 2



BRIEF REVIEW...

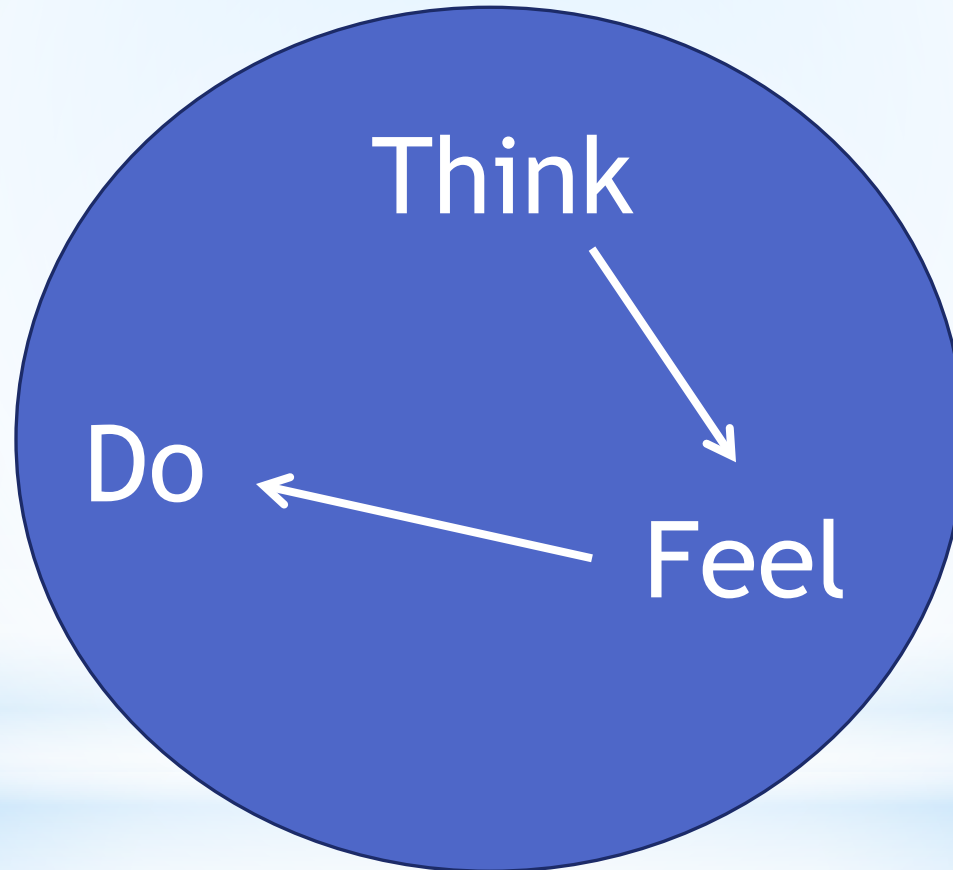
Definition:

1. Freedom from **fears,**
agitating emotions,
and moral conflicts.
2. Assurance of one's
salvation.

3. Contentment with our earthly lot of whatever sort that is.

4. The tranquil serenity of heart that comes from the all-pervading consciousness that our times are in God's hands.

The Think-Feel-Do Cycle



One of the first things that we should **know** are the differences between:

- (1) Peace **with** God
- (2) The Peace **of** God
- (3) **The God** of Peace

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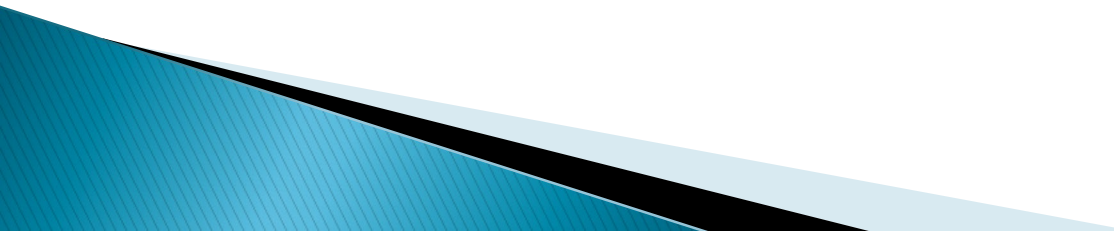
Peace is not always felt...many things can affect how we FEEL.

Peace is a position of faith...knowing that God is in control. This BELIEF in truth can sustain us even when FEELINGS are not present or when we are overwhelmed with life's circumstances.

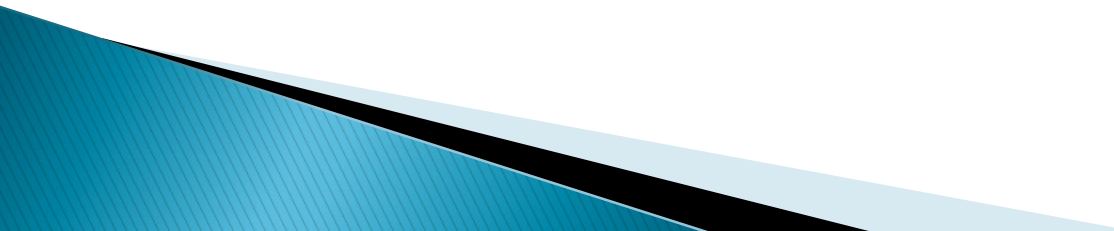
Think of peace as the calm below the surface of a raging ocean.

At times, the ocean is sometimes calm 'on top,' but is always calm in the deep.

Our goal is to learn how to allow the 'deep calm' to calm the surface storms.

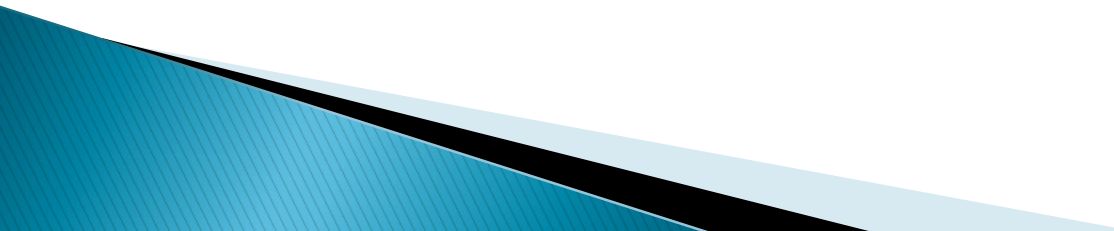


Faith is always fueled by truth.
As we know and believe more
truth, we will experience more
peace.



Today, we will look at some verses that tell us (1) **what God's part** is and (2) **what our responsibilities are** in order for us to experience more of the **Peace OF God**.

In your notes, make two columns to list this information.



An examination of truth:

John 16:33

Isa. 9:6

John 14:27

Gal 5:16, 18, 22, 25–26

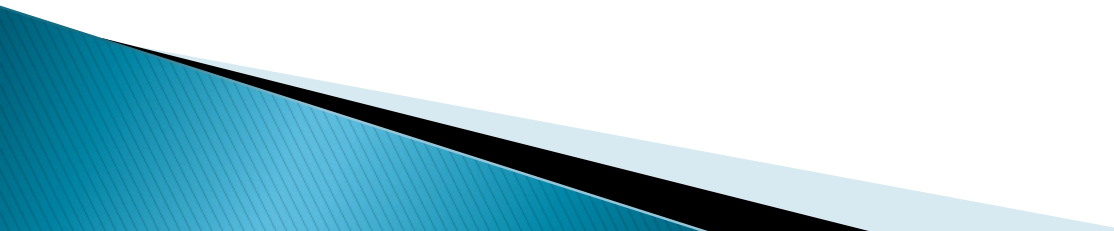
2 Thess. 3:16

Ps 29:11

Ps 85: 8

Rom. 15:13

Summation and Spiritual Truths:

1. Peace is available to us, but we can fail to accept it. Why do you think we ever do that?
 - a. We don't know or we forget what the Bible teaches about it: its source and our responsibility.
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b. We don't have faith enough to accept it.

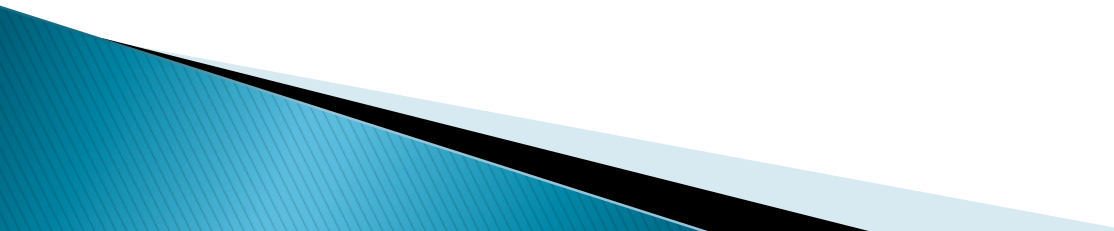
c. We are out of fellowship with the Prince of Peace.

d. We are grieving or quenching the Spirit.

e. We prefer to look for peace in ourselves, others, or circumstances, something that the Bible calls "folly."

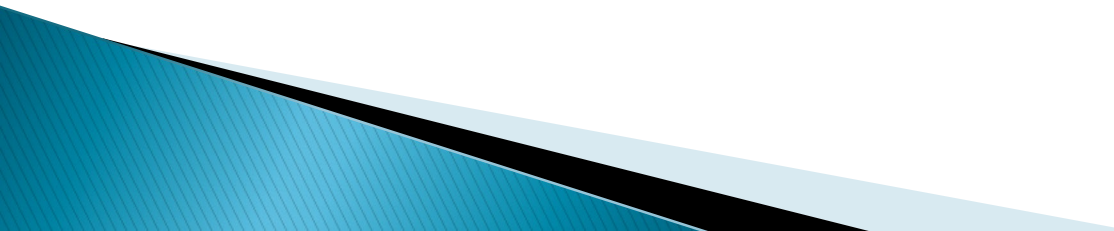
2. Jesus' peace is far superior and entirely different from what the world offers.

3. Jesus wants to bless us with His peace and presence and strength in order that we be filled and overflow with hope (assurance and faith.)



4. We can have as much peace as we need and want if we are willing to follow His instructions.

5. Jesus wants us to be channels of the blessing of peace for others, primarily through our intercessory prayers.



What will **you** do with
the truths we have
studied today?

