

## **“Peacemakers”**

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***“Blessed are the peacemakers for they will be called sons of God.”  
Mt. 5:9***

Peacemaker – one who **makes peace** between to two opposing parties. To establish right relationships between man and man.

**Shalom** – everything which makes for a man’s highest good.

### **The 4 Relationships of a Peacemaker**

#### 1. Peacemakers have **peace with God.**

*“Therefore since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.” Rom. 5:1*

*“Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you.” Job 22:21*

#### 2. Peacemakers have peace with **themselves.**

*“And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Phil. 4:7*

*“He will keep you in perfect peace, he whose mind is steadfast on the Lord because he trusts in the Lord.” Is. 26:3*

#### 3. Peacemakers bring peace between **God and others.**

*“All this is from God who reconciled us to Himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.” 2 Cor. 5:18*

#### 4. Peacemakers bring peace between **people and each other.**

*“Make every effort to live in peace with all men and to be holy.” Heb. 12:14*

*"Therefore let us pursue the things which make for peace and the things by which one may edify another." Rom 14:19*

## **Characteristics of a Peacemaker**

### **1. Peacemakers are not passive.**

Do you procrastinate dealing with hard situations or avoid them altogether in order to "keep the peace"?

### **2. Peacemakers are not willing to have short-term peace at any cost.**

Do you forfeit long-term resolve because you want peace now?

### **3. Peacemakers are proactive**

Do you see the need or conflict in advance and take it upon yourself to remedy the situation?

### **4. Peacemakers build bridges, they don't burn them**

Do you find it easy to walk away from someone to avoid a confrontation rather than fighting to save the relationship?

Do you have peace with God?

Do you have anyone in your life that is on the other side of a "burned bridge"?

*"For He Himself is our peace..." Eph. 2:14*