Peeled – Week 3

Peace

1. The peace we want is the absence of stress and conflict.

*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.* ***John 14:27***

1. The peace that Jesus gives:
* Peace with God

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

* Peace within ourselves

*And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.* ***Philippians 4:7***

* The possibility of peace with others

 *For he himself is our peace, who has made the two one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility.* ***Ephesians 2:14***

* Peace with others often requires effort on our part.

*Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.  If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil but overcome evil with good.* ***Romans 12:17-21***

*Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.* ***James 3:18***

1. Jesus’ peace comes through trusting Him.

 *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.* ***Romans 15:13***

  *Then he got into the boat and his disciples followed him. Without warning, a furious storm came up on the lake, so that the waves swept over the boat. But Jesus was sleeping. The disciples went and woke him, saying, "Lord, save us! We're going to drown!" He replied, "You of little faith, why are you so afraid?" Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!"* ***Matthew 8:23-27***