

# The World's Peace vs. Christ's Peace

1 Thess. 5

## What Kind of Peace Does the World Give? - John 14:27

1. Hope in domestic politics.
2. Hope in world diplomacy.
3. Hope for selfless politicians.
4. Hope in economic security.
5. Hope in military strength.
6. Hope in civil ethics and morality.
7. Hope in fair justice.
8. Hope in medical care.

## The World's Failed Attempts at Peace - Matt. 24:1-12

1. Rome's destruction of Israel. 24:1-2
2. False Christs deceiving people. 4-5, 11
3. War. 6
4. International division and strife, in the face of international calamities. 7
5. Blame and kill Christians for world chaos. 9
6. Clueless attempts to unify people. 10
7. Hypocritical religious leaders attempt to guide. 11
8. Removal of civil morality permits iniquity in abundance, and the rise of cold love. 12

## A Culture of Hate Against Christians - John 15:18-25; 16:1-3

1. Hate from the world.
2. Hate from religions.

## A False World Hero and Partner Arrives - Rev. 13:7

1. Presents himself in the Jewish Temple as God. Matt. 24:15; Dan. 9:27; 12:9-12
2. Displays military success. Dan. 7:24; Rev. 13:4
3. Unifies the world against God and Christians. Dan. 7:25
4. Uses miraculous power and takes control of world economies. Rev. 13:11-18
5. Causes people to proclaim, "peace and safety". 1 Thess. 5:3

## The True World Hero Jesus Christ, Arrives - John 14:27; 16:33

1. He will appear suddenly and surprisingly. 1 Thess. 5:1-3
2. Christians should not be caught off guard. 4-8
3. Christians should comfort and lift each other up. 11
4. Christians should practice peace in self and with others. 12-23

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## The Cost of Jesus' Peace

1 Thess. 5:9-10

*For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.*

1. To provide real and lasting peace, Jesus had to pay the penalty of the sin-law:
  - a. Stated to Adam and Eve...you shall surely die. Gen. 2:17
  - b. Stated through Ezekiel...the soul that sins shall surely die. Ezek. 18:4
  - c. Stated by Paul...sin ended hope for flesh and blood. Rom. 8:2; 1 Cor. 15:50
  - d. God's provision for accidental, unintentional sins. Num. 15:22-31
  
2. To release us from the sin-law, Jesus had to meet and surpass its requirements.
  - a. He had to become human, yet without sin. Heb. 4:15
  - b. To free us from the Prince of this world, Jesus had to face him victoriously.

*John 12:31 Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.*

*John 14:30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.*

*John 16:11 Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.*

*Eph 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:*

3. Jesus satisfied the law of sin and death to deliver us from it. We now have peace in this life and the next because of Jesus!