

## INTRO

Rob kicked off our 3 week sermon series on the tangible peace, presence and power of Jesus. In this weeks sermon he focused on tangible peace.

**What comes to mind for you when you hear the word peace? How have you experienced the tangible peace of Jesus in your own life?**

## IDEA 1

Biblical peace is not merely the absence of turmoil or strife; it involves the presence of good, of something better - of righteousness, well-being, and the restoration of brokenness - a return to the way things were intended to be.

Peace means harmony and unity within relationships. Peace means relationships characterized by love, unselfishness, reconciliation. Peace means flourishing.”

**What stands out to you about this definition of peace?**

**With this concept of peace in mind - imagine...what does tangible peace entering your community look like?**

**What would change? Who would change? How would the culture of your community look different? What would that flourishing look like? What injustices would no longer be present?**

Give some time for people to imagine and then invite your life group to share their thoughts.

## IDEA 2

When Jesus commissioned the 12 and the 72 and sent them out - he instructed them:

“Whenever you enter someone’s home, first say, ‘May God’s peace be on this house.’

This isn’t a greeting. This is an authoritative action.

## IDEA 2

Everyone who is a son or daughter of the King has the privilege of releasing God's peace over marriages, meetings, classrooms, friends, and children and grandchildren.

**How do you feel about being given the privilege of releasing God's peace over others? Excited? Confused? Challenged? What else?**

**What holds you back from walking in this authority of blessing people with peace?**

Rob gave a few examples of what it can look like to be the tangible peace in others lives.

**Where are you already being the tangible peace of Jesus? What opportunities do you see in your spheres of influence to release peace?**

## EXPERIENCING GOD TOGETHER

Before we can be peace wherever we step, we ourselves have to experience and embody that peace

**Where are you in need of experiencing the peace of Christ at the moment?**

After a person has shared their response, invite people from your life group to pray a prayer of peace over them. In a posture of reception, encourage the person receiving to open up their hands as you do.

## PRACTICE FOR THIS WEEK

**As you spend time with Jesus this week, ask him, "How can I be your tangible peace wherever I step today?"**

Pay attention to what people, places or circumstances that Holy Spirit brings to mind and respond in whatever He is leading you.

## PRACTICE FOR THIS WEEK

You may also like to pray this prayer of peace over a person, place or situation this week using these words from Numbers 6:24-26:

May the Lord bless \_\_\_\_\_  
and protect \_\_\_\_\_.

May the Lord smile on \_\_\_\_\_  
and be gracious to \_\_\_\_\_.

May the Lord show \_\_\_\_\_ his favor  
and give \_\_\_\_\_ his peace.'