



# the pieces of peace

a Bible Information Class

Lesson 10 : peace at last

Fun with *-tion* : we've considered the concepts; let's complete the defini-*tion*.

- ❖ Tradition : a useful blessing, but not to supersede \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Creation : in 6, 24-hour days, the Lord made \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Humiliation : Jesus had but didn't make full use of divine \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Exaltation : Jesus again makes full use of his divine \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Condemnation : what we deserve eternally because of \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Redemption : Jesus paid-in-full the wages all sin \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Justification : Because of Jesus in God's eyes we are \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Reconciliation : Jesus' work made the world, to God, \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Sanctification : the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_ & the Christian's \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Mediation : the confidence that, in heaven, Jesus is our \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Communication : the Christian's blessing to talk to God in \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ Salvation : Because of Jesus, what we look forward to in \_\_\_\_\_.

Task **1** : Recall the first passage we analyzed together – *II Timothy 3:15, 16*.  
Take 7 mins to explore its entire context ( *II Timothy 3:1- 4:8* ) and identify:

Warning-realities  
for the here-life :



Confident-blessings  
for the here-life :



Assured-promises  
for the coming-life :



Compose a single, simple-truth summary of it:

The Christ who fulfilled every promise, promises his eternal control and, at his return, our eternal life; as well as signs that accompany his Advent (Mt 24 & Lk 21)

	in society:	in nature:	in the church:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ love grows cold</li><li>✓ business as usual</li><li>✓ wars</li><li>✓ social unrest</li><li>✓ terrible times</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ famines</li><li>✓ earthquakes</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ apostasy</li><li>✓ persecutions</li><li>✓ false prophets</li><li>✓ false christs</li><li>✓ miracles &amp; signs</li></ul>

Serious as those signs are, they cannot undo or undermine our God's . . .

*kingdom of power* : God's ruling activity over all things

*kingdom of grace* : God's ruling activity in hearts through the gospel

*kingdom of glory* : God's ruling activity for all eternity in the majesty of heaven

Task **2** : Most everyone has an idea of characteristics connected to *kingdom of glory*. Take **4** mins to define and to describe your own concepts of heaven.

Heavenly characteristics:

- ❖
- ❖
- ❖

Consider John's vision of heaven *Revelation 7:9-17*. Which Inspired concepts connect to your impression?

**Death** : separation from God's blessings (physical, spiritual, eternal/hell)

**Life** : enjoyment of God's blessings (physical, spiritual, eternal/heaven)

Fill in the good-news blanks from John 3:16

For God so \_\_\_\_\_ the world that he gave his one and only \_\_\_\_\_, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have **eternal** \_\_\_\_\_.

**Task 3:** Identify what grace informs about threats to our eternal assurance.

- **I Peter 5:8-11** (also: Job 1:7; II Corinthians 12:9) –
- **Romans 7:22-25** (also: Galatians 5:13-21) –
- **John 15:18** (also: Hebrews 11) –
- **Matthew 23:27,28** –
- **I John 2:18, 19** (also: II Thessalonians 2:1-12) –



**criticize  
the  
claim:**

With all that we endure and with all the threats that strive against our souls, we're left relatively defenseless and can never really be sure whether or not we're going to heaven.

**Task 4:** Each passage below debunks the above claim concerning eternal assurance. Read each passage to identify the peace of his sure promise to us.

**1)** **John 14:1-6** (also: Matthew 15:25-30)

**the peace of his promise to you :**

**2)** **I Corinthians 15:12, 13, 20** (also: Job 19:25)

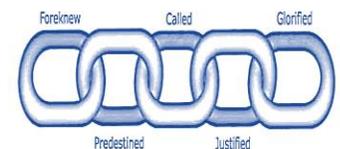
**the peace of his promise to you :**

**3)** **Ephesians 6:10-20** (also: Psalm 46)

**the peace of his promise to you :**

**4)** **Romans 8:28-32** (also: Revelation 22:20)

**the peace of his promise to you :**



**II Corinthians 1:20-22!**

**for the  
life  
ahead:**

Smile, delight in, please don't ever depart from the confidence and joy to know that, by God's grace, you are at peace with him and eternal life is yours – fully and freely! Promise. Alleluia and Amen!