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“Blessed”

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Matthew 5:9

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

- Peace Maker (Gk. “eirenopoios”) = peaceable, pacificatory (pacifying/tending to promote peace)
- Peace (Hb. “shalom”) safe, well, happy, friendly, to be well, health (by implication), prosperity, and absence of conflict.
- To be peaceable (a peacemaker) is a condition of the heart (spirit/inner man). It is a mindset (a program of the subconscious mind). It is a lifestyle. Being a peacemaker is a “modus operandi” (mode of operation).

Romans 12:18-21

18 If it is possible, as much as depends on you, live peaceably with all men.

19 Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but rather give place to wrath; for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord. **20** Therefore "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; If he is thirsty, give him a drink; For in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head."

21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

- A peacemaker seeks to manifest the peace of God in every situation.
- The mindset of the peaceable causes them to live as Christ did in a hostile world:

1 Peter 2:18-24 (emphasis mine)

18 Servants, be submissive to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the harsh. **19** For this is commendable, if because of conscience toward God one endures grief, suffering wrongfully. **20** For what credit is it if, when you are beaten for your faults, you take it patiently? But when you do good and suffer, if you take it patiently, this is commendable before God. **21** For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

22 "Who committed no sin, Nor was deceit found in His mouth";

23 who, when He was reviled, did not revile in return; when He suffered, He did not threaten, but committed Himself to Him who judges righteously; **24** who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness — by whose stripes you were healed.

James 3:17-18

17 But the wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality and without hypocrisy. **18** Now the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

- The wisdom of God is first pure, undefiled, untainted, void of unwholesome motivation, then, secondly, it is peaceable, the wisdom of God brings forth peace in every situation and circumstances. His wisdom is shalom, the unity which destroys conflict, the health which destroys sickness, the prosperity that destroys lack, and the wellness that destroys illness.

- Continuing in the same thought, James reveals to us some of the manifestations of God's peaceable wisdom, it causes us to be gentle, willing to yield (let others have their way), full of mercy and every other kind of good thing which naturally comes from having God's peaceable wisdom in our lives. These manifestations will naturally be exhibited without partiality (prejudiced), and without hypocrisy (two-facedness).
- The natural outgrowth of righteousness in the soul, which is righteous conduct, is exhibited amongst those of this world in the spirit (shalom) of peace by those who are willing to stand firm in faith and forcefully bring forth the peace of God in every situation.

Matthew 5:9

9 Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called **sons of God**.

John 1:11-13

11 He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. **12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become **children of God**, to those who believe in His name

Romans 8:14

14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are **sons of God**.

Romans 8:15-19

15 For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." **16** The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are **children of God**, **17** and if children, then heirs — heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.

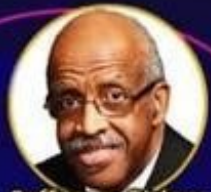
18 For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. **19** For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the **sons of God**.

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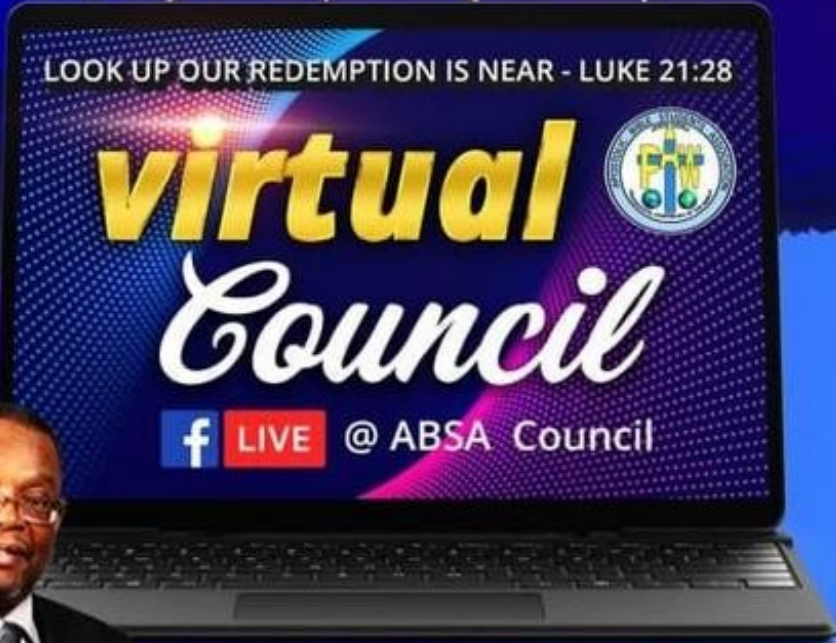


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