

Advent: The Coming of Messiah and the Promise of Peace

John 14:26-28; 16:32-33; 20:19-26

With the Coming of Messiah, All who Trust
in Him have the Promise of Peace.

1. To enjoy the Peace of Messiah, _____ the _____
of God by receiving as Lord the greatest
expression of love, Jesus.

(1) Isaiah 53:5

(2) Ephesians 2:14

(3) Romans 5:1

*Peace begins with the _____ of sins and of
Jesus Christ as your personal Lord and Savior.*

2. To enjoy the Peace of Messiah, _____ the _____
of God.

(1) Psalm 119:165

(2) Isaiah 48:18

(3) 2 Timothy 3:16-17

*Peace transforms us as we _____ in the Spirit
and follow God's will in every area of our lives.*

3. To enjoy the Peace of Messiah, _____ the _____
of God.

(1) Isaiah 26:3

(2) Philippians 4:6-7

(3) 1 Thessalonians 5:14-18

H. G. Wells was right: "If there is _____ God, nothing matters.
If there is a God, nothing _____ matters."

"I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day"

by Henry W. Longfellow, 1863

1. I heard the bells on Christmas day
Their old familiar carols play;
In music sweet the tones repeat,
"There's peace on earth, good will to men."
2. I thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along th' unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good will to men.
3. And in despair I bowed my head:
"There is no peace on earth," I said,
"For hate is strong, and mocks the song
Of peace on earth, good will to men."
4. Then pealed the bells more loud and deep:
"God is not dead, nor does He sleep,
For Christ is here; His Spirit near
Brings peace on earth, good will to men."
5. When men repent and turn from sin
The Prince of Peace then enters in,
And grace imparts within their hearts
His peace on earth, good will to men.
6. O souls amid earth's busy strife,
The Word of God is light and life;
Oh, hear His voice, make Him your choice,
Hail peace on earth, good will to men.
7. Then happy, singing on your way,
Your world will change from night to day;
Your heart will feel the message real,
Of peace on earth, good will to men.