## "The Peace of Christ" Colossians 3:15-17 Part 10 of 13 Grace Lutheran Church September 8th, 2024

## **Introduction:**

## 3 Priorities for the New Self:

**Peace of Christ** – "Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful." (Col.3:15)

**Word of Christ** – "Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts." (Col.3:16)

Name of Lord Jesus – "And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Col.3:17)

## 1. What is the Peace of Christ? \_\_\_\_\_

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through or Lord Jesus Christ."
(Rom 5:1)

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship pr persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death no life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

(Rom 8:35, 37-39)

"The peace of Christ is the settled assurance that because of God's care and God's competence, this universe is a perfectly safe place for me to be." (**Dallas Willard**)

How does one pursue this peace? 3 Practices a
"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly" (Col. 3:16a)
"Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." (John 14:27)
"And my God will meet all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 4:19)
b
" As you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." (Col. 3:16b)
"Whenever the spirit from God came upon Saul, David would take his harp and play. The relief would come to Saul; he would feel better, and the evil spirit would leave him." (I Sam 16:23)
c
"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." (Col. 4:2)
"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in th name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Col. 3:17)
"Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you." (I Peter 5:7)
"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." (Phil. 4:6)

**Conclusion:** "You will keep in perfect peace him whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in you." (Isaiah 26:3)