The Good News

Shoes of Peace (Part 4/8)

PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD



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BREAST TRUTH RIGHTEOUSNESS PEACE



SHOES



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HELMET **SALVATION** **SWORD** $\mathbf{0F}$ **SPIRIT**

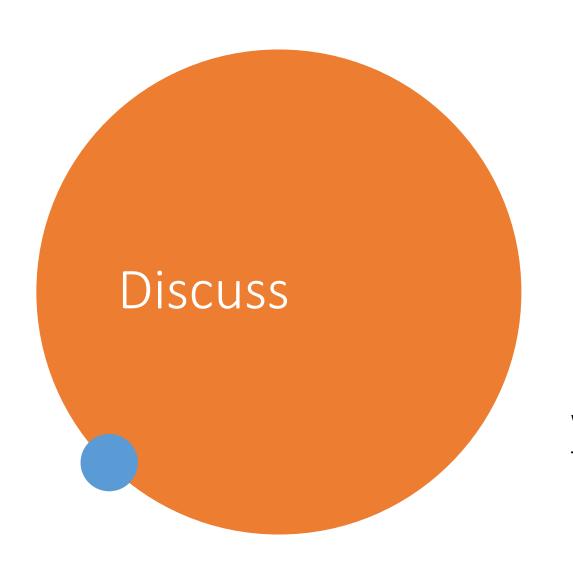
EPHESIANS 6:10

Eph 6:15



"and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace" (NKJV)

"and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace." (ESV)





What do you think of when you hear the word "peace"?



1.completeness, soundness, welfare, peace

- 1. completeness (in number)
- 2. safety, soundness (in body)
- 3. welfare, health, prosperity
- 4. peace, quiet, tranquillity, contentment
- 5. peace, friendship
 - 1. of human relationships
 - 2. with God especially in covenant relationship
- 6. peace (from war)
- 7. peace (as adjective)

(Outline of Biblical Usage)

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Peace in Ephesians

είρήνη *eirēnē* (G1515)

- Eph 1:2 Grace be to you, and peace
- Eph 2:14 For he is our **peace**, who hath made both **one**
- Eph 2:15 to make in himself of twain **one** new man, so making **peace**;
- Eph 2:16-17 reconcile both unto God in **one** body by the cross ... And came and preached **peace**
- Eph 4:3 keep the **unity** of the Spirit in the bond of **peace**
- Eph 6:15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of **peace**
- Eph 6:23 **Peace** be to the brethren

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Peace as Unity

Unity vs Division

Peace vs Division

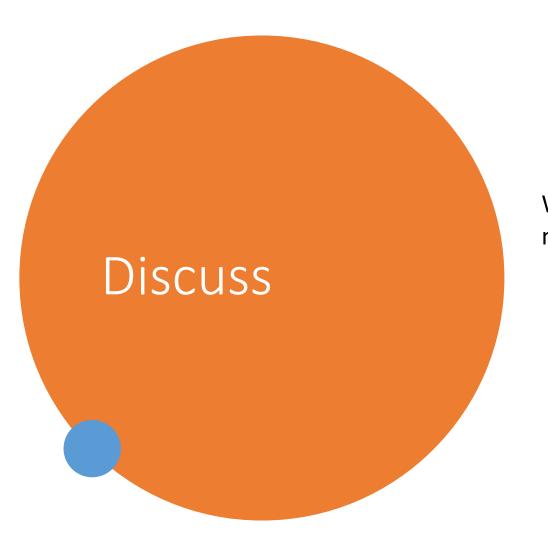
The Prince of Peace

Luke 12:51 (NKJV) "Do [you] suppose that I came to give **peace** on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather **division**.

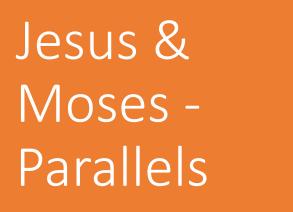
Matthew 10:34 (NKJV) "Do not think that I came to bring **peace** on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a **sword**.

Acts 7:17-43

Read Together



What divisions or conflicts do you see forming in the nation of Israel in this passage?



- People Oppressed
- Judge & Ruler
- Signs & Miracles
- Passover
- Judgement (Exodus / Acts)
 - 12 Thrones Matthew 19:28
 - 70 Elders Numbers 11:16 / Luke 10:1
 - Golden Calf / Destruction of Temple
- Testing & Tribulation
- Promised Land

Judgment in Israel

[Jhn 9:39 KJV] And Jesus said, For **judgment** I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

[1Pe 4:17 KJV] For the time [is come] that **judgment** must begin at the house of God: and if [it] first [begin] at us, what shall the end [be] of them that obey not the gospel of God?

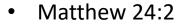




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- Mark 15:38
- Luke 23:45



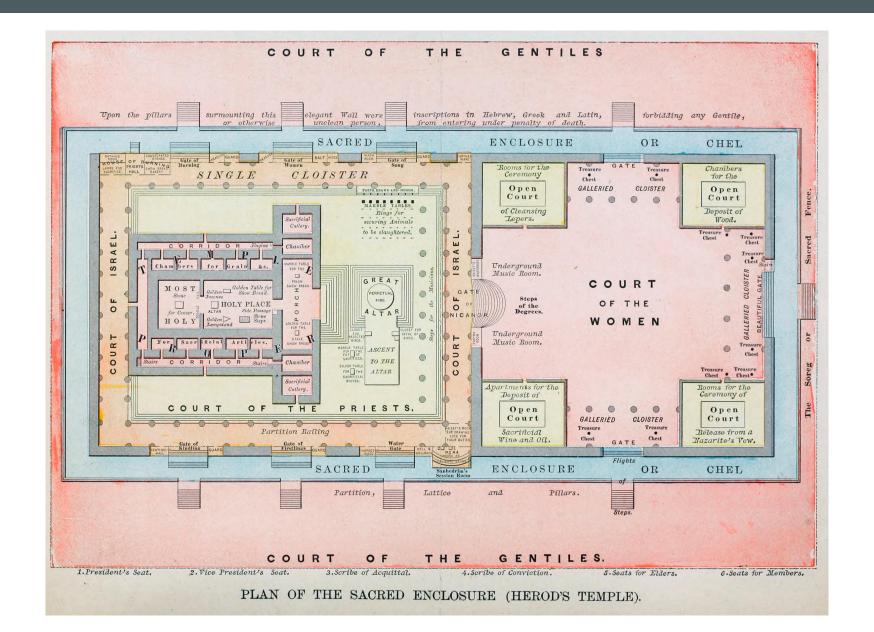
- Mark
- Luke 21:6



The Acts of the Apostles



"Through the veil" Heb 10:20 "Middle wall broken Down" Eph 2:14

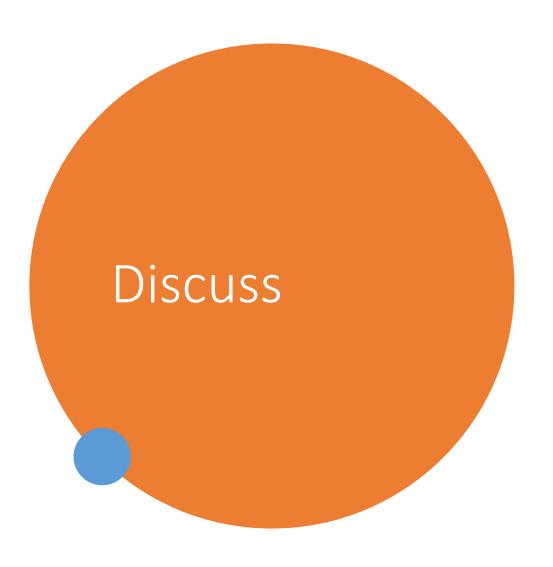


Peace in Ephesians [Eph 2:14-17 NKJV]

For He Himself is our **peace**, who has made **both one**, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, [that is], the law of commandments [contained] in ordinances, so as to create in Himself **one new man** [from] the two, [thus] making **peace**, and that He might reconcile them both to God in **one body through the cross**, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached **peace** to you who were afar off and to those who were near.

Recap

- Peace as unity and oneness
 - Jesus as Judge of Israel Acts
 - Destruction of the Temple false religion
 - Peace by the cross Ephesians:
 - Barriers to God and between nations removed
- God's judgement brings peace



Why is this good news of peace especially important for our feet (as in shoes)?

Recall how shoes are removed when on holy ground (e.g. Acts 7:33) – but not necessarily elsewhere.



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