



"He Will Be Called 'Prince of Peace'"

Thoughts to Ponder

1. When a family welcomes a new baby, everything changes for them.
 - a. Describe the ways in which you have experienced the truth of this statement as a parent and/or grandparent.
 - b. In naming the baby, was consideration given to the fact that the name given would identify the child for as long as he or she lived?

2. Among the names the prophet Isaiah gave Jesus is "Prince of Peace."
 - a. Describe some of the ways you have found peace to be an elusive reality in your family and in yourself.
 - b. "We shall never have peace in this world until our hearts are connected to a purpose greater than satisfying our own self-interests." Do you agree with this statement? If so, why? If not, why not?

3. Peace is far more than the absence of conflict.
 - a. What does the word "peace" mean to you?
 - b. Many folks look forward to retiring, believing they'll be at peace when they have nothing to do. Why do you think most of them are disappointed?

4. While we may find it hard to achieve peace, we know it when we encounter it in others.
 - a. Give an example of someone who exudes an air of calmness, contentment and ease . . . what do you think is true about that person that is not true about you?
 - b. Compare and contrast that person's relationship with Jesus and yours.

5. We can sing about the Prince of Peace; but we shall never have the peace He offers until we know Him in our hearts.
 - a. Do you know Him?
 - b. Do you have His peace?

