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What is Peace? (Ken Walston – Kenna Outreach Ministries)

There are so many uses and definitions of the word Peace in our vernacular of languages and vocabulary, both set in terms for righteous and in evil respective context. From the perspective that Peace is a tranquil or calming physiological mindset (a settling down of sort from a hyper-responsive event) is the most common human understanding of the term in relationship to the Human Being. Many people misuse that kind of definition for Peace when equating it to the Peace that you sustain when in fellowship with God.

From a traditional greeting in Hebrew, *Shalom Aleichem*, "Peace be upon you", is used to express a greeting to both body and soul but is used in the modern sense as a show of respect.

When Jesus said, "*Peace be with you*", [*Shalom Aleichem*], "*Peace be upon you*" as such in John 20:21, He didn't mean it from the physical sense or modern Show of Respect, but rather from the Heavenly perspective through the Spirit as a Blessing to the inner being of the individuals. It was God speaking to them and I believe the show of authority from His Presence was also projected to where any evil spirits or force from the powers of darkness could not prevail. It did, however, have a physiological calming effect because He was speaking to the individual's spirit which because of sin, is in constant turmoil. Our flesh and human spirit constantly fight against each other in order to appease itself and fulfill the desires of our sinful flesh. This is even more evident with the Believer in Yeshua ADONAI, because the Holy Spirit resides within the individual and is a conviction of the Truth against the sin which is being promoted by the flesh. Which came first, the temptation or the desire? It really doesn't matter, because the temptation is sparked by the desire and the fulfillment of the temptation is through the desire, therefore sin abides in the consequence of the outcome.

It is only through Faith that we are able to counteract the desires of the flesh and walk in righteousness, with a completed fulfillment of Peace [One with God, One with Self]. We pull the reins in on the flesh by expounding Faith (that has No Doubt) and our desire to Worship God above anything else.

So, Peace as the world calls it, is only the condition of being in a subdued or serene state with the flesh, which is not true Peace, but only a temporal state of satisfying the sinful nature with the desires of the flesh.

No matter how Good you try to be, no matter how much Faith by Actions you muster up or people you claim you brought to the Lord, or the amount of donations or tithing you give, or works you performed in the name of whatever religion you belong to; unless you have humility and realize that only through ADONAI is all things renewed by FAITH, then all you have done is covered yourself in filthy rags. Your reward has already been given through the self-righteous acts that you have performed. This is exactly the kind of riches that Jesus spoke of when he said, "*But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be*." (Matthew 6:20-21)

Misguided Christians believe that for every 'Good Deed' they perform, it puts another jewel in their Heavenly Crown, that their reward in Heaven just gets bigger and bigger, as if that makes any difference in the Presence of the Almighty God. The fact that any of us makes it there is enough of a reward! But it reflects their hearts desire to receive things, just as they do here on earth, it's all show! The biggest church congregation, the biggest amount of donations pulled in, the most talent in the universe at their church, best choir, best musical group, best singers, state of the art entertainment system, beautiful stained-glass cathedral style architecture, Pastor of the Year, best spokesman, largest Youth Ministry, more Mission Evangelists, and the pride goes on and on.

None of this stipulates Peace, in fact Peace is the furthest thing from such people who claim and do such things. Peace is something they seek only when all or partial of these things are taken away, then they cry out for help and want Peace, meaning to get back to their norm of living.

Just like God's Holiness and His Divine Nature, Peace is a non-tangible thing; rather it originates from a Holy Source; and is transmitted and manifested through the Holy Spirit by an individual's Faith that has No Doubt. It originates from God (who is Holy) and is manifested by the request of Faith through the Holy Spirit who gives freely to anyone that believes by Faith their Hearts Desire of Worshiping God with unbridled Faith.

It's very simple my brethren, Peace comes through Yeshua ADONAI and without Yeshua, there is No Peace!