PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

Unshakable Pt. 7 Matthew 5:9

Welcome. This is the last foundation piece in our Unshakable lives offered here, that **we choose to receive, embrace and develop**.

The final one chooses us

"Blessed are the **peacemakers**, for they **will be** called children of God."

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Ephesians 2:14,

"For **He is our peace**, who tore down the dividing wall of hostility."

- **O.T.** = To rest is safety
- **N.T.** = Restored relational safety & security in Oneness

"Peacemaker" = One who exerts to bring about restored Oneness...

Who pays the price to establish

peace.

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We **build up** our unshakable lives in Christ from:

- Our Inner Garments, to
- Our Under Garments, to
- Our Outer Garments

Peacemaking begins with the **outer garments**

- That is where the **evidence of the violation** is
- We need to acknowledge the violation to heal it
- Starting by "making nice" (under garments)...

- Leaves the conduct that revealed it lurking around

We begin with What and acknowledge the need...

- Then address the value of **our relationship**
- To confidently talk about Why it happened

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Our peacemaking is following what **Christ has** already done!

- Our reward is seeing that He and they get...
- What He has paid for & delivered
- Ignoring the violation robs everyone

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Some examples of **Peacemaking**:

- Jesus with Zacchaeus & Levi (Matthew)
- Jesus with the Samaritan woman
- Jesus with Peter (John 21)
- Jesus with Saul of Tarsus (Paul)
- Paul with Christians
- Peter with Cornelius
- Paul with John Mark
- Euodia with Syntyche (Phil. 4:2)

in the Beloved."

- Beloved = His love in those He loves
- In Him/In His Body (His Church)

"Accepted"... not acceptable

- This is our reality, established by Him
- This is His peace, in us (John 17:20-23)
- He came to restore us to The Father

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This is the goal & purpose of our Peacemaking!

- Accepted, therefore Safe & Secure with each other
- This is what we demonstrate ...
- What we invite & receive others into

Any **thought**, **belief** or **conduct** (words) that **excludes** each other...

- Misrepresents Who He IS & What He IS

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We can't ignore all of God's counsel about our Oneness

- Restored relational security only follows its violation

Proverbs 6:16-19,

"These six things the LORD hates, Yes, seven are an abomination to Him:"

(Vs. 19) "One who sows discord among brethren."

Proverbs 16:28,

"A perverse person **stirs up conflict**, and a gossip **separates close friends**."

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Romans 16:17,

"Now I urge you, brethren, note **those who cause divisions and offenses**, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and **avoid them**."

I Corinthians 11:19,

"For **there must also be factions among you**, that those who are approved may be recognized among you."

Who are those who are approved?

- The peacemakers (Matt. 5:9)
- They are blessed & bring God's blessing
- They bring Who Christ IS among us

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Why did Jesus come? What did He come to do?

He came to **Make Peace**. That is **why He came**, and **what He came to do**.

The angels declared, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and **on earth peace** to those on whom His favor rests."

He said, "**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."

"For He is our peace" (Eph. 2:14)

Receive Him like Joseph & Mary did... no matter the earthly cost.