

<u>CHURCH@HOME NOVEMBER 2016</u> PRAY THROUGH UNTIL PEACE COMES THROUGH (I)

PRAYER IS THE PRECURSOR OF PEACE:

(Joh 14:27) Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

*AMP*²⁷ Peace I leave with you; My [own] peace I now give and bequeath to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. [Stop allowing yourselves to be agitated and disturbed; and do not permit yourselves to be fearful and intimidated and cowardly and unsettled.

READ: Jon 14:1, Ps. 46:10, 1st Ki. 19:1-4, 10-13, Ps. 85:8

- Having peace in your heart guarantees your victory in the place of prayer.
- You know that you have an answer to your prayer when peace 'settles' in your heart.
- The enemy will always fill your heart with fear and despair when challenging situations come up in life. But Jesus promises us peace in the midst of the storm. (Jon 14:27 AMP)
- You cannot enjoy the peace of God when agitated, troubled and disturbed.

AN ENVIRONMENT OF PEACE PERMITS THE PRESENCE OF GOD TO FUNCTION:

- The peace of God makes room for the presence of God. (1st Ki. 19:1-4,10-13)
- The presence of God cannot function in an atmosphere where there is fear, confusion and despair.
- We are unable to access God's best for us when our hearts are filled with fear and confusion, and we are in despair.

DANGERS OF NOT HAVING PEACE: 1st Ki 19:1-4, 10-13:

- You cannot hear the voice of God when peace is lacking.
- A home or environment that is constantly filled with strife, disagreement and/or fights is doomed to failure because the presence of God cannot function in the absence of peace.
- Don't give the devil any opportunity to work in your life. (Eph 4:27 GW) Please turn to next page

• Stop allowing yourself to be agitated and disturbed; and do not permit yourself to be fearful and intimidated.

Maintain peace wherever you are; on a daily basis. (Ps. 85:8)

OPEN DISCUSSION:

- 1. Is it possible to have peace in a very challenging situation?
- 2. What happens when the peace of God is lacking in your life?
- 3. How can one receive and maintain the peace of God at all times?