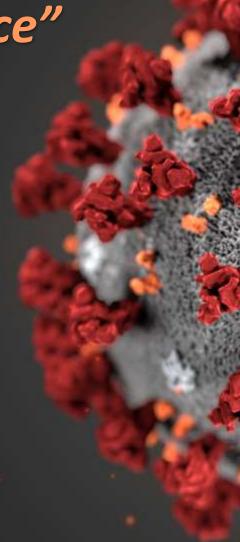
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Luke 10:1-12

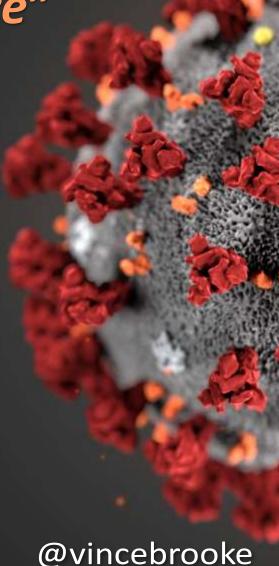
5 Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' 6 And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you

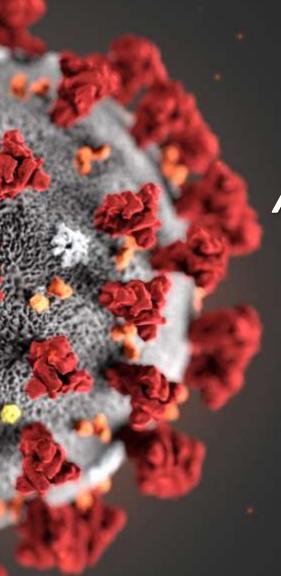


So what is a "person of peace" ?

Matthew 5:9... Jesus says,

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.





So, for today....

A "person of peace" is someone who "cultivates peace" in their own life so that they can "pour out peace" into daily situations and the lives of others.

Philippians 4 1-9

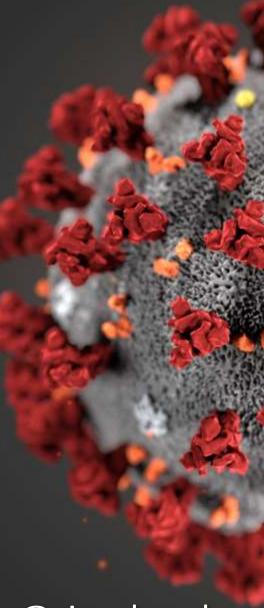
- 1 Therefore, my brothers, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm thus in the Lord, my beloved.
- 2 I entreat Euodia and I entreat Syntyche to agree in the Lord.
- 3 Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.



4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made

7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

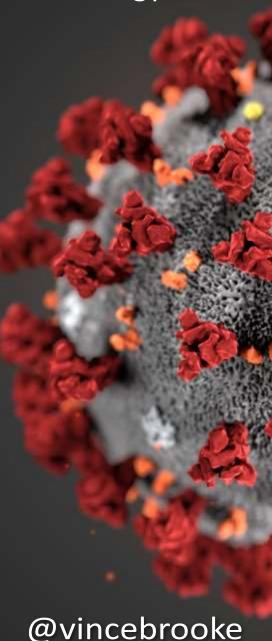




known to God.

8. Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

9. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.





1. A "person of peace" operates from the understanding that we are brothers and sisters in Christ...we are "family"

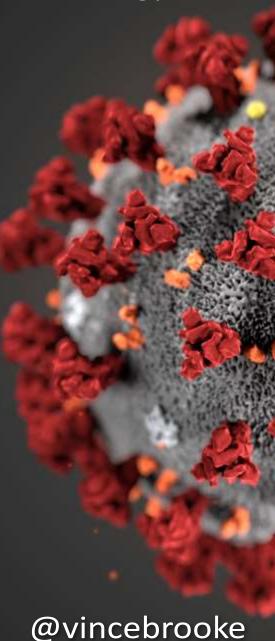
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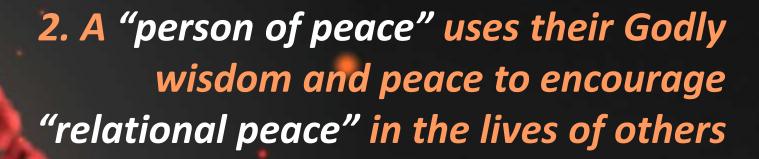


1 Cor. 1:11-13

I hear of quarrelling... one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Christ." 13 Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

We are all founding members of the "First Church of Jesus Christ"





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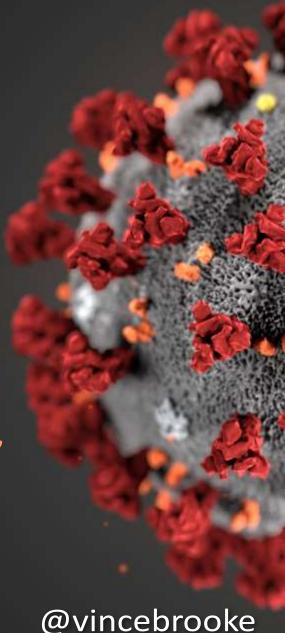
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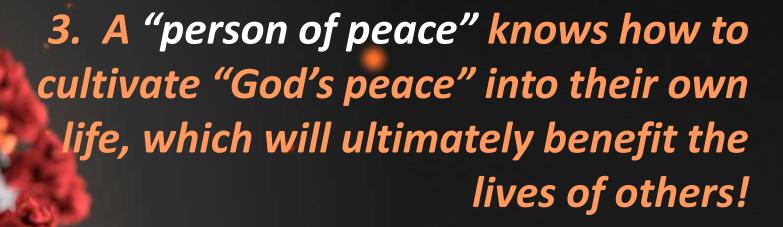
James 4:17

But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. 18 And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.

Godly friendships and community can flourish when "people of peace" sow peace into the lives of others





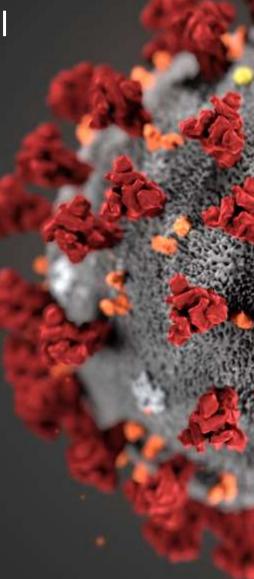


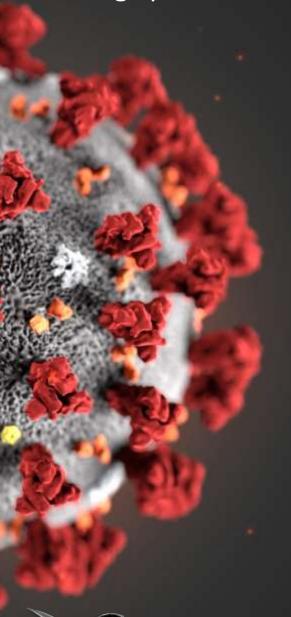
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give us step by step instructions on
how to cultivate and develop
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Vs. 4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

Message – "Celebrate God all day, every day. I mean, revel in him!"





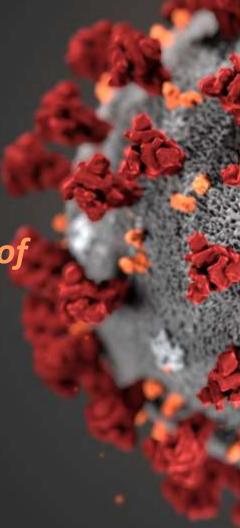


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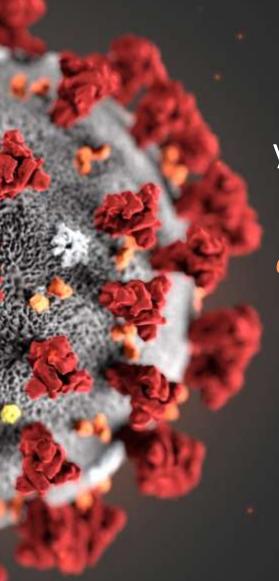
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Message – "Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you're on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see that the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute" **Vs. 6** do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Message – "Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, <u>pray</u>. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns"



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Vs. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Message – "Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness (peace), of everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ (Himself) displaces worry at the center of your life"

4. A "person of peace" continues to develop a Godly way of thinking that edifies others and situations

Vs. 8 Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.





THE BATTLE FOR YOUR MIND

How you think and what you focus on... will ultimately determine how you come through any challenging season



THE BATTLE FOR YOUR MIND

Whatever holds the greatest part of your thoughts and attention ... really just becomes the biggest "god" in your life.



5. A "person of peace" is first a learner, then a doer, and then a receiver of God's actual presence.

Vs. 9 What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.



Hebrews 13:20-21 - Benediction 20 Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, 21 equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.



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