

A Comforting Name: Prince of Peace

Isaiah 9:6-7*

The name “Prince of Peace” is the Hebrew *Shar Shalom*, which means “the one who removes all peace-disturbing factors and secures the peace.” This instantly sets Him apart from those human rulers whose reigns depend on bloody conquest, for His rule rests on a bloody sacrifice. What a contrast to such biblical kings as Nebuchadnezzar, and even David, whose rule was established on power but not peace.¹

Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of Isaiah’s ascription is the ultimate provider of peace. His work on the cross is more than a negotiated ceasefire between ourselves and God. It is a peace that transforms us from the enemies of God into the children of God (Col.1:19-21). The Prince of Peace has brought the opportunity to have peace with God. Why is this name of the Christ-child important to us today?

- *Peace in your troubles (Jn. 14:27)*
- *Peace in your growth (1 Thes.5:23a)*
- *Peace in your victories (Jn. 16:33; Rom. 16:20)*
- *Peace in your relationships (Eph.4:3)*
- *Peace in your life (Gal.5:22-23)*
- *The most important question of your life.*

* These notes are prayerfully prepared to aid, not replace, your personal study of God’s Word.

¹ Bill Crowder, *The Amazing Names of the Messiah*, RBC Pub. p.27.

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