

## **PEACE. (Nah. 1:15)** shalom (shah-loam)

Completeness, wholeness, peace, health, welfare, safety, soundness, tranquility, prosperity, perfectness, fullness, rest, harmony; the absence of agitation or discord.

Shalom comes from the root verb shalam, meaning “to be complete, perfect, and full.” *Thus shalom is much more than the absence of war and conflict; **it is the wholeness that the entire human race seeks.***

Shalom occurs about 250 times in the Old Testament (see **Ps. 4:8; Is. 48:18; Jer. 29:11**). In **Psalm 35:27**, God takes delight in the shalom (the wholeness, the total well-being) of His servant.

In Isaiah 53:5, the chastisement necessary to bring us shalom was upon the suffering Messiah. The angels understood at His birth that Jesus was to be the great peace-bringer, as they called out, “Glory to God in the highest: and on earth peace, goodwill toward men!” (**Luke 2:14-17; compare Is. 9:7**).

**Ps 4:8** In peace I will both lie down and sleep, for You, Lord, alone make me dwell in safety *and* confident trust.

**Ps.29:11** The Lord will give [unyielding and impenetrable] strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

**Ps.55: 16** As for me, I will call upon God, and the Lord will save me.

17 Evening and morning and at noon will I utter my complaint and moan *and* sigh, and He will hear my voice. 18 He has redeemed my life in peace from the battle that was against me [so that none came near me], for they were many who strove with me.

**Is.9:6** For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given; and the government shall be upon His shoulder, and His name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father [of Eternity], Prince of Peace. [Isa. 25:1; 40:9-11; Matt. 28:18; Luke 2:11.]

**Mk.4:39-40** And He arose and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, Hush now! Be still (muzzled)! And the wind ceased (sank to rest as if exhausted by its beating) and there was [immediately] a great calm (a perfect peacefulness). He said to them, Why are you so timid *and* fearful? How is it that you have no faith (no firmly relying trust)?

(**Luke 1:79**) (eye-ray-nay); A state of rest, quietness, and calmness; an absence of strife; tranquility. It generally denotes a perfect well-being.

Eirene includes harmonious relationships between God and humanity, individuals and individuals, nations, and families. Jesus as Prince of Peace gives peace to those who call upon Him for personal salvation.

### **MY STORM CONFESSIONS**

**Father** You are Almighty. You are bigger than any circumstance I face. I don't need to overreact. I will get through this situation.

Thank You Father God that You never stops loving me. You know how to restore me and mend my heart.

Father God YOU are in control of everything. Nothing catches You by surprise.

I will stop worrying about things I cannot control.

God You have a plan for me and all that has happened to me will be used.

Your love for me covers all my weaknesses and insecurities, failures, and blunders.

Papa You are for me! You know what Your doing and I am at peace in the storm!

**PEACE- STRENGTH AND LOVE - PJ**