

Finding Peace – What works when God does not?

Hosea 6:6 says that God desires the knowledge of him over burnt offerings. Ephesians 6:14 says to girt your loins with truth. Jesus says in John 17:17 to “Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth”. Many people look for peace in all the wrong places. They read books, spend hours in seminars, and go through countless hours of workshops, yet never once do they read the Bible from cover to cover. Thy Word is truth, knowledge of him; Psalms 37:4 says delight thyself also in the Lord and he shall give thee the desires of thy heart. “Thy word” is the remedy for all of David's trials in Psalms 119. Isaiah 26:3 says that “Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee”.

Proverbs 19:27 says to
“Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge”

⁸Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever:

⁹That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD:

¹⁰Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:

¹¹Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. (*Isaiah 30:8-11*)

²⁰And though the Lord give you the bread of adversity, and the water of affliction, yet shall not thy teachers be removed into a corner any more, but thine eyes shall see thy teachers:

²¹And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. (*Isaiah 30:20-21*)

⁶For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings. (*Hosea 6:6*)

¹⁰Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

¹¹Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

¹²For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

¹³Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

¹⁴Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; ¹⁵And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

¹⁷And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

¹⁸Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; ¹⁹And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰For which I am an ambassador in bonds:

that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. (*Ephesians 6:10:20*)

¹⁷Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. (*John 17:17*)

⁴Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart. (*Psalms 37:4*)

²⁴Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors. (*Psalms 119:24*) *All of Psalms 119*

³Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee. (*Isaiah 26:3*)

²⁷Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge. (*Proverbs 19:27*)