

**“BUSYNESS:  
IT STEALS YOUR PEACE”**

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**Luke 2:7**

“She (Mary) gave birth to her first child, a son. She wrapped him snugly in strips of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the village inn.”

**Luke 2:14 (KJV)**

“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men.”

**THREE PEACE STEALERS**

1<sup>ST</sup> – PACE STEALS OUR PEACE.

**Psalm 46:10**

“...be STILL and know that God is God.”

2<sup>ND</sup> – PRESSURE STEALS OUR PEACE.

3<sup>RD</sup> – PEOPLE STEAL OUR PEACE.

**THE PEACE GIVER**

1<sup>ST</sup> - SPIRITUAL PEACE = PEACE WITH GOD.

**Romans 5:1 (NIV)**

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

**Colossians 1:21**

"You were once far away from God. You were his enemies, separated from him by your evil thoughts and actions."

**1. We must receive God's PARDON.**

**Micah 7:18**

"Who is a God like You, who pardons sin and forgives the transgressions.... You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy."

**Job 22:21 (TLB)**

"Quit quarreling with God! Agree with Him and you will have peace at last! His favor will surround you if you will only admit that you were wrong."

2. We must rely on God's PRINCIPLES.

**Psalms 119:165**

"Those who love your instructions have great peace and do not stumble."

**"To err is human, but it takes a computer to really foul things up."**

2<sup>ND</sup> - EMOTIONAL PEACE = PEACE OF GOD.

1. Remember God's presence.

**Isaiah 26:3**

"You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"

2. Request God's PEACE.

**Philippians 4:6-7**

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."

3<sup>RD</sup> - RELATIONAL PEACE = PEACE WITH PEOPLE.

**Romans 12:18 (TEV)**

"Do everything possible on your part to live in peace with everybody."

1. Reconcile with people.

**Romans 12:18**

"Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone."

2. Reach out to people.

**Rom 10:15 (NKJV)**

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!"