



# “GOD’S PEOPLE MAKE GODLY PEACE”

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MATTHEW 5:9 BIBLE STUDY

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## CONTEXT



Blessed are the pure in heart  
because they will see God  
(Mt 5:8, AT)





MATTHEW 5:9  
BLESSED ARE THE  
PEACEMAKERS



Blessed are the peacemakers [εἰρηνοποιός | *eirēnopoios*]  
because they will be called sons [υἱός | *huios*] of God  
(Mt 5:9, AT I)

The peacemakers are blessed  
because they will be called sons of God  
(Mt 5:9, AT II)





MATTHEW 5:9  
BIBLICAL PEACE  
*SHALOM/ EIRĒNĒ*



Do not drag me away with the wicked,  
with those who are workers of evil,  
who **speak peace** [Heb: םילשׁ | *šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη |  
*eirēnē*] with their neighbors,  
while **mischief** is in their hearts.

(Ps 28:3, NRSV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
BIBLICAL PEACE  
*SHALOM/ EIRĒNĒ*



a time to love, and a time to hate;  
a time for **war**, and a time for **peace** [Heb: םילִּשׁ|  
*šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*].

(Ecc 3:8, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
BIBLICAL PEACE  
*SHALOM/ EIRĒNĒ*



You will keep in **perfect peace** [Heb:  $\text{שָׁלוֹם}$  | *šālôm*;

LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*]

those whose minds are steadfast,

**because they trust in you.**

(Is 26:3, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE WITH  
GOD



How beautiful on the mountains

are the feet of those who **bring good news**, [LXX: εὐαγγελίζω | *euangelizō*]  
who **proclaim peace** [Heb:  $\text{שָׁלוֹם}$  | *šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*],  
who bring **good tidings**,  
who **proclaim salvation**,  
who say to Zion,  
“Your God reigns!”

(Is 52:7, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE WITH  
GOD



12 For there is no difference between **Jew and Gentile**—the same **Lord is Lord of all** and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, “**Everyone** who calls on the name of the Lord will be **saved.**” [Joel 2:32] (Rom 10:12-13, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE WITH  
GOD



14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: **“How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”** (Rom 10:14-15, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE WITH  
GOD



13 Because of this, take up the full armor of God, so that you may be able to stand in resistance on the day when evil comes and, after having prepared everything, to stand. 14 Stand, therefore, having girded your waist in truth and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and having **feet strapped with [the] readiness of the Gospel** [εὐαγγέλιον | *euangelion*] **of peace** [εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*]. (Eph 6:13-15, AT)





MATTHEW 5:9  
MESSIANIC  
PEACE



9 Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!  
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!  
See, your **king** comes to you,  
righteous and victorious,  
**lowly and riding on a donkey,**  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

(Zec 9:9, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
MESSIANIC  
PEACE



I will **take away the chariots** from Ephraim  
and the **warhorses** from Jerusalem,  
and the **battle bow will be broken.**

He will **proclaim peace** [Heb:  $\text{שָׁלוֹם}$  | *šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*] to the  
nations.

His **rule** will extend from sea to sea  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

(Zec 9:10, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
MESSIANIC  
PEACE



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## MATTHEW 5:9 MESSIANIC PEACE



7 Of the greatness of his government and **peace** [Heb: **שָׁלוֹם** | *šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*] there will be no end.

He will reign on David's throne  
and over his kingdom,  
establishing and upholding it  
with justice and righteousness  
from that time on and forever.

The **zeal** of the LORD [YHWH] Almighty  
will accomplish this.

(Is 9:7, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
MESSIANIC  
PEACE



2 These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon (who is called Peter) and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; 3 Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; 4 **Simon the Zealot** and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. (Mt 10:2-4, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
MAKING  
PEACE



Whoever winks the eye causes trouble,  
but the one who rebukes boldly **makes peace**  
[εἰρηνοποιέω | *eirēnopoieō*]  
(Pr 10:10, NRSV)

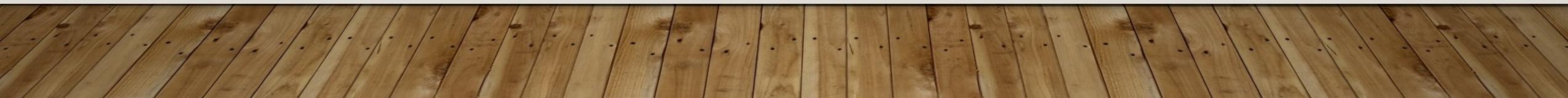


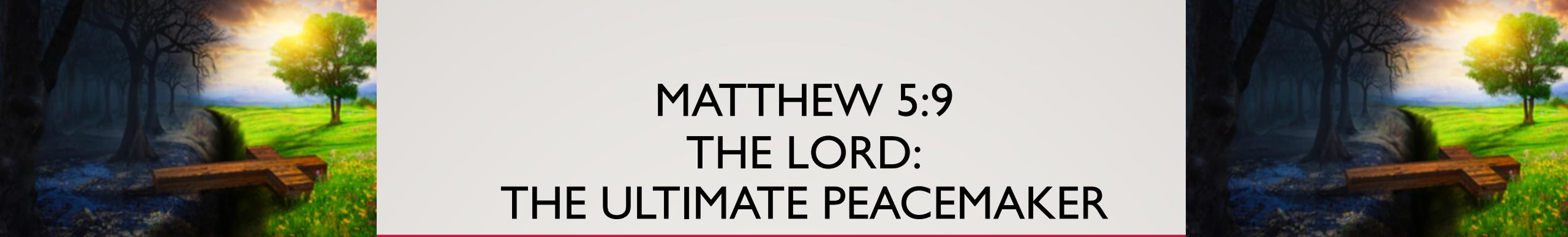


MATTHEW 5:9  
THE LORD:  
THE ULTIMATE PEACEMAKER



19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and through him to **reconcile to himself all things**, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by **making peace** [εἰρηνοποιέω | *eirēnopoieō*] **through his blood, shed on the cross.**  
(Col 1:19-20, NIV)





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Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Rom 5:1, NIV)

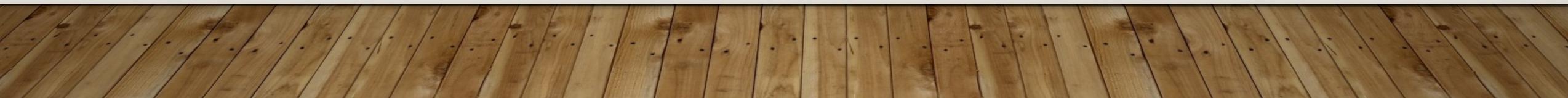




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11 Therefore, remember that formerly you who are **Gentiles** by birth and called “**uncircumcised**” by those who call themselves “the **circumcision**” (which is done in the body by human hands)—  
12 remember that at that time **you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.** 13 But now **in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.** (Eph 2:11-13, NIV)





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14 For he himself is our **peace** [εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*], who has **made the two groups one** and has **destroyed the barrier**, the **dividing wall of hostility**, 15 by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself **one new humanity out of the two**, thus **making peace** [εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*], 16 and in **one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross**, by which he put to death their hostility. (Eph 2:14-16, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
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THE ULTIMATE PEACEMAKER



17 He came and preached **peace** [εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*] to you who were far away and **peace** [εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*] to those who were near. 18 For through him we **both have access to the Father by one Spirit**. (Eph 2:17-18, NIV)





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THE ULTIMATE PEACEMAKER



Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also **members of his household**, (Eph 2:19, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
THEY WILL BE CALLED...  
(BY GOD)



Blessed are those who mourn

because they will be comforted [by God]. (Mt 5:4, AT)

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness

because they will be filled [by God]. (Mt 5:6, AT)

Blessed are the merciful

because they will be shown mercy [by God]. (Mt 5:7, AT)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



15 The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your **adoption to sonship** [υιοθεσία | *hyiothesia*]. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.” 16 The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s **children** [τέκνον | *teknon*]. (Rom 8:15-16, NIV; cf. Rom 8:23; Gal 4:5; Eph 1:5)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF GOD,  
BRIDE OF CHRIST



For your **Maker** is your **husband**—  
the **LORD [YHWH]** **Almighty** is his name—  
the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer;  
he is called the God of all the earth.  
(Is 54:5, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF GOD,  
BRIDE OF CHRIST



This is what the LORD [YHWH] says:

“Where is your mother’s **certificate of divorce**  
with which **I sent her away?**

Or to which of my creditors  
did I sell you?

Because of **your sins** you were sold;

because of **your transgressions your mother was sent  
away.** (Is 50:1, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF GOD,  
BRIDE OF CHRIST

As a **young man** marries a **young woman**,  
so will your **Builder** marry you;  
as a **bridegroom** rejoices over his **bride**,  
so will your **God** rejoice over **you**.

(Is 62:5, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF GOD,  
BRIDE OF CHRIST



25 Husbands, **love your wives**, just as **Christ loved the church** and gave himself up for her 26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. (Eph 5:25-27, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



22 Then say to Pharaoh, ‘This is what the LORD [YHWH] says: **Israel is my firstborn son**, 23 and I told you, “Let **my son** go, so he may worship me.” But you refused to let him go; so I will kill your firstborn son.’ ” (Ex 4:22-23, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



“You are the **sons of the LORD [YHWH]**  
**your God.** You shall not cut yourselves or  
make any baldness on your foreheads for  
the dead. (Dt 14:1, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



They will come with weeping;  
they will pray as I bring them back.  
I will lead them beside streams of water  
on a level path where they will not stumble,  
because **I am Israel's father,**  
and **Ephraim is my firstborn son.**

(Jer 31:9, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



Yet the number of the Israelites  
will be like the sand of the sea,  
which cannot be measured or counted.  
And in the place where they were told:  
You are not My people,  
they will be called: **Sons of the living God.**  
(Hos 1:10, HCSB)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



14 Then John's disciples came and asked him, "How is it that we and the Pharisees fast often, but your disciples do not fast?" 15 Jesus answered, "How can the **guests** [*υἱός | huios*] of the bridegroom mourn while he is with them? The time will come when the **bridegroom** will be taken from them; then they will fast. (Mt 9:14-15, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



And Jesus said unto them, Can the **children** [*υἱός* | *huios*] **of the bridechamber** mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast. (Mt 9:15, KJV)





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SONS OF  
GOD



37 He answered, “The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man. 38 The field is the world, and the good seed is the **sons of the kingdom**. The weeds are the **sons of the evil one**, 39 and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. (Mt 13:37-39, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



40 Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. 41 The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all law-breakers, 42 and throw them into the fiery furnace. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. 43 Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear. (Mt 13:40-43, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites! For you travel land and sea to win  
one proselyte, and when he is won, you make  
him twice as much a **son of hell** as yourselves.  
(Mt 23:15, NKJV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



44 But I say to you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you so that you may be **children (sons)** [ $\nu\acute{\iota}\acute{o}\varsigma$  | *huios*] **of your Father in heaven.** For He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and He sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous. (Mt 5:44-45, AT)





## MATTHEW 5:9 SONS OF GOD



6 And he said to me, “It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. 7 The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and **he will be my son**. 8 But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death.” (Rev 21:6-8, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



13 For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. 14 For all who are **led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.**

(Rom 8:13-14, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SONS OF  
GOD



for in Christ Jesus you are all  
sons of God, through faith.

(Gal 3:26, ESV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE IS THE PURPOSE  
BUT NOT ALWAYS THE RESULT



**“Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword. (Mt 10:34, NIV)**





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE IS THE PURPOSE  
BUT NOT ALWAYS THE RESULT



51 You think peace I have come to establish on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. 52 For, from now on, it will be five divided in one house: three against two and two against three.

53 Father will be divided against son  
and son against father,  
mother against daughter  
and daughter against mother,  
mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law  
and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.”

(Lk 12:51-53, AT)





MATTHEW 5:9  
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**I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world.  
(Jn 17:14, NIV)**





MATTHEW 5:9  
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**They are from the world and therefore speak from the viewpoint of the world, and the world listens to them.**  
**(1 Jn 4:5, NIV)**





MATTHEW 5:9  
PEACE IS THE PURPOSE  
BUT NOT ALWAYS THE RESULT



37 “Anyone who loves their father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; anyone who loves their son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

38 Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me. (Mt 10:37-38, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SEEK PEACE  
ANYWAY!



Make **every effort** to live in peace [εἰρήνη  
| *eirēnē*] with everyone and to be holy;  
without holiness no one will see the Lord.  
(Heb 12:14, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SEEK PEACE  
ANYWAY!



If it is possible, as far as it depends on you,  
**live at peace** [εἰρηνεύω | *eirēneuō*] with  
everyone. (Rom 12:18, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
SEEK PEACE  
ANYWAY!



Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification. (Rom 14:19, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



So watch yourselves. “If your brother or sister sins against you, rebuke them; and if they repent, forgive them.  
(Lk 17:3, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



Anyone who **runs ahead and does not continue in the teaching of Christ does not have God**; whoever continues in the teaching has both the Father and the Son. 10 If anyone comes to you and **does not bring this teaching, do not take them into your house or welcome them**. 11 Anyone who welcomes them **shares in their wicked work**. (2 Jn 1:9-11, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



“If anyone causes one of these little ones—those who believe in me—to stumble, it would be better for them to have a large millstone hung around their neck and to be **drowned in the depths of the sea.** (Mt 18:6, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach a gospel other than the one we preached to you, **let them be under God’s curse!** 9 As we have already said, so now I say again: If anybody is preaching to you a gospel other than what you accepted, **let them be under God’s curse!** (Gal 1:8-9, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



9 I wrote to you in my letter **not to associate with sexually immoral people**—10 **not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral**, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world. 11 But now I am writing to you that you must **not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister** a but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or slanderer, a drunkard or swindler. **Do not even eat with such people.** (1 Cor 5:9-11, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



I urge you, brothers and sisters, to **watch out for those who cause divisions** and put obstacles in your way that are **contrary to the teaching you have learned**. Keep away from them. (Rom 16:17, NIV)





MATTHEW 5:9  
NO CHEAP  
“PEACE”



11 Come, my children, listen to me;

I will teach you the fear of the LORD [YHWH].

12 Whoever of you loves life

and desires to see many good days,

13 keep your tongue from evil

and your lips from telling lies.

14 Turn from evil and do good;

**seek peace** [Heb:  $\text{שָׁלוֹם}$  | *šālôm*; LXX: εἰρήνη | *eirēnē*] and **pursue it**.

(Ps 34:11-14, NIV)

