

**Peaceable**  
**Titus 3:2**  
**Sermon Discussion Questions**  
**June 7, 2020**

1. So far in the *A New Life* mini series in Titus, we have discussed the kindness & love of God, being obedient, being gentle and now being peaceable. Share what God has been speaking to you and His church regarding this mini-series. Is there anything that has been especially surprising or convicting to you so far?
2. Peace (shalom) is defined as meaning wholeness, completeness, soundness, health, safety and prosperity. Tom referenced **John 14:27** and **Romans 5:1-2** to describe what God freely offers to us when we're in Jesus and how we should extend this to others. As a group, **please read these scriptures** and explain a time/situation in your life where you experienced the peace of God.

Did you know it was His peace at the time? Or has this sermon brought up the memory of that time/situation to remind you of God's peace?

3. **As a group, read Romans 12:14-18.** It is there that we see God's command to live at peace with everyone. When thinking of being peaceable, the Greek behind the word speaks primarily to our attitude in times of conflict. What is your natural or first response in times of conflict? Is the godly characteristic of being peaceable convicting to that response? Can you exhibit righteous anger and still be peaceable? As you think through these questions, share examples with the group.
4. Tom presented "loving our enemies" and "bringing the peace" as two practical ways that we can be peaceable. Tom also shared a scripture from Jeremiah 29:7, which says: "Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper." This verse implied to Israel that their blessing was tied to them seeking peace and praying for their enemy.

Why is it so difficult to love and bring the peace to our enemies, especially when we are benefactors of this same act (read Romans 5:10-11)?

5. What does it look like for us in West Michigan to seek the peace and prosperity of our city?
6. Being peaceable is a simple concept but difficult to live out. The answer to the brokenness of this world and sin is Jesus. And as image bearers, we have the privilege of being the hands and feet of Jesus in this world. Spend some time praying for God's peace for our world as we continue to deal with the effects of Covid-19 and racial injustice. Pray for one another and Calvary Church that in our conversations, relationships and with those we consider enemies, that we would take up the call of being peaceable.