

UPSIDE DOWN CHRISTMAS

“Peace On Earth?”

¹⁴ “Glory to God in highest heaven, and **peace on earth** to those with whom God is pleased.” **Luke 2:14 (NLT)**

³⁵ As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, “**Let’s cross to the other side of the lake.**” **Mark 4:35 (NLT)**

³⁶ So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). ³⁷ But soon a **fierce storm** came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water. ³⁸ Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, “Teacher, don’t you care that we’re going to drown?” **Mark 4:36-38 (NLT)**

³⁹ Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, “**Peace, be still!**” And the wind ceased and there was a **great calm.** **Mark 4:39 (NKJV)**

⁴⁰ Then he asked them, “**Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?**” ⁴¹ The disciples were absolutely terrified. “Who is this man?” they asked each other. “Even the wind and waves obey him!” **Mark 4:40-41 (NLT)**

The Gift of True Peace...

CALMS YOU when you least expect it!

The Gift of True Peace...

COMFORTS YOU when you don’t understand it!

⁷ And God’s peace, **which is far beyond human understanding**, will keep your hearts and minds safe in union with Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:7 (GNT)**

¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, **Jesus came** and stood **among them** and said, “**Peace be with you!**” ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. **John 20:19-20 (NIV)**

The Gift of True Peace...

CAME TO US in the person of Jesus Christ!

²⁷ *"I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. **And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give.** So don't be troubled or afraid. **John 14:27 (NLT)***

³³ *I have told you all this **so that you may have peace in me.** Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because **I have overcome the world.**"*
John 16:33 (NLT)

NO JESUS = NO PEACE

KNOW JESUS = KNOW PEACE