



A Victory of Peace

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OT Reference: Gen. 3:15 **NT Reference:** 1 Cor: 15:25; Rom. 1:7, 5:1, 11:33 – 36; 12:18, 14:19; Rev. 1:1, 12:9, 14 – 15, 20:2, 22:6, 20

Romans 16:17 – 20: ¹⁷ *I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them.* ¹⁸ *For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive.* ¹⁹ *For your obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil.* ²⁰ *The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

In this text: The Apostle Paul concludes his letter to the Romans exhorting them to live holy lives in light of the promises of God, that He will soon finally defeat Satan.

For us: In order to live godly lives in the present age, we must look to God's promises in the coming age.

- Right believing leads to righteous living.
- Our doctrine leads to our devotion.
- Deep theology is essential to practical living.

➔ The Word "Peace" is used _____ times in the Book of Romans.

1) The Peace of Forgiveness: Peace with _____.

Romans 5:1 *Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

2) Fraternal Peace: Peace with one another

¹⁹ *So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.* (Rom 14:19 ESV)

¹⁸ *If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.* (Rom 12:18 ESV)

3) Final Peace: Peace on _____.

➤ **Final peace will be accomplished because of the _____ of God.**

➤ **Final peace will be accomplished by the _____ of Satan.**

➤ **Final peace will be accomplished because of the _____ of the Prince of Peace.**

Revelation 22:20 *He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!*

Martin Luther — 'Preach [and live] as if Jesus was crucified yesterday, rose from the dead today, and is returning tomorrow.'

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