

Love, joy, and peace -

“Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid.” John 14:27

“I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.” John 16:33

“Jesus’s point is that by his death he has made the world’s opposition pointless and beggarly. The decisive battle has been \_\_\_\_\_. The world continues its wretched attacks, but those who are in Christ share the victory he has won. They cannot be harmed by the world’s evil, and they know who \_\_\_\_\_ in the end. From this they \_\_\_\_\_, and begin to share his \_\_\_\_\_.”

D.A. Carson

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“In the world you will have tribulation.”

This year I have faced [examples of difficulty or struggle] ...

“In me you may have peace ... take heart; I have overcome the world.”

Despite the difficulties, I have seen the Lord [strengthen me with gospel promises, provide for me, change me] ...

“Jesus did not overlook the trial that would affect them as well as himself, for that was inevitable in a world alienated from God. He did proclaim victory over it.”

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