



The Notes

What's Bothering You?

Part 4: "Breaking News! Peace Possible for Those Who Want it"

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"For unto us a child is born; unto us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder. These will be his royal titles: 'Wonderful,' 'Counselor,' 'The Mighty God,' 'The Everlasting Father,' 'The Prince of Peace.'"

Isaiah 9:6 (TLB)

"Today your Savior was born in the town of David. He is Christ, the Lord. This is how you will know him: You will find a baby wrapped in pieces of cloth and lying in a feeding box.' Then a very large group of angels from heaven joined the first angel, praising God and saying: 'Give glory to God in heaven, and on earth let there be peace among the people who please God.'"

Luke 2:11-14 (NCV)

I SURRENDER TO PEACE IN MY LIFE EVEN WHEN...

1. ... _____ **WON'T PLAY THE ROLE OF**
" _____ " **FOR ME.**

“Three days later there was a wedding in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus’ mother was there. Jesus and his disciples were guests also. When they started running low on wine at the wedding banquet, Jesus’ mother told him, ‘They’re just about out of wine.’ Jesus said, ‘Is that any of our business, Mother—yours or mine? This isn’t my time. Don’t push me.’ She went ahead anyway, telling the servants, ‘Whatever he tells you, do it.’”

John 2:1-5 (MSG)

“While Jesus was still talking to the crowd, his mother and brothers stood outside. They wanted to speak to him. Someone told him, ‘Your mother and brothers are standing outside. They want to speak to you.’ Jesus replied to him, ‘Who is my mother? And who are my brothers?’ Jesus pointed to his disciples. He said, ‘Here is my mother! Here are my brothers! Anyone who does what my Father in heaven wants is my brother or sister or mother.’”

Matthew 12:46-50 (NIRV)

**2. ...OTHERS KEEP _____
AROUND ME.**

“Simon Peter had a sword. He took hold of it and he attacked the servant of the leader of the priests. He cut off the servant’s right ear. The servant’s name was Malchus. Then Jesus said to Peter, ‘Put your sword away in its place! My Father has decided what great pain I must have. I will obey him completely.’”

John 18:10-11 (EASY)

“Jesus said, ‘My kingdom does not belong to this world. If it did, my disciples would have fought for me.’ They would have fought so that the Jewish leaders could not take hold of me. No, my kingdom belongs to another place.’ Pilate said to him, ‘So that means you really are a king!’ Jesus answered, ‘You have said that I am a king! I was born for this reason: I came into the world to tell people the truth about God. Everyone who believes the truth listens to my message.’ Pilate said, ‘I do not know what truth is.’”

John 18:36-38 (EASY)

3. ... _____ **GO EXACTLY ACCORDING**
TO _____.

“Some women stood near to Jesus while he was on the cross. They were his mother, his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary from Magdala. Jesus saw his mother there. He also saw the disciple that he loved. That disciple was standing there, near Jesus’ mother. So Jesus said to his mother, ‘Woman, look! There is your son.’ Then he said to the disciple, ‘Look! There is your mother.’ From that time, the disciple took Jesus’ mother to live in his own home.”

John 19:25-27 (EASY)