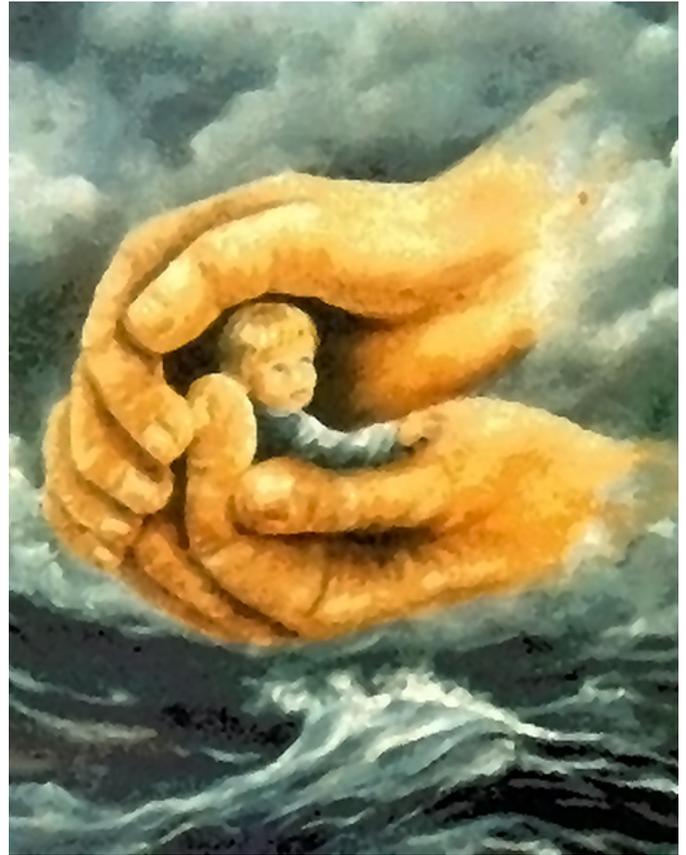


*“Jesus answered and said unto him, ‘If a man love me, he will keep (obey) My Words: and my Father will Love him, and We will come unto him, and make Our Abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not (obeys not) My Sayings: and the Word which ye hear is not Mine, but the Father’s which sent me. These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in My Name, He shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, **My Peace I Give Unto You:** not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.” John 14:23-27 KJV*



If one’s abode is secure, one has peace in the tempest. If the vessel is secure and the Captain experienced, the crew can confidently carry out their orders in a full blown hurricane! If believers abide in Christ, God’s Word, the tempest of life’s circumstances will not daunt them! What are these winds that threaten our Peace? To begin, let’s start with the *“sin that doth so easily besets us. If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

Jesus can and will not only be our Advocate, but also forgive us, because *“He is the Propitiation (Atoning Sacrifice) for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.”* Who better to plead your case than He who paid your debt in full? Next we come to worry and doubt which are essentially unbelief! *“Whatsoever is not of faith is sin. Casting ALL your care upon Him; for He careth for you. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”* How do I cast my care upon God? By trusting Him to keep me safe in the midst the tempest. What do I trust? His Word. If I do not, I commit the sin of unbelief of which we are all so frequently guilty! Remember; *“Whatsoever is not of faith is sin.”* Obey God in spite of your fears!

The Peace of God sustains our life,  
It calms our soul amidst the strife,  
And when the Tempter whispers swill,  
Our Lord Commands us, *“Peace be still.”* –CGP

If you have no Peace, you have not Christ! If you have not Christ, you have not Eternal Life! Peace is the courage to believe in the midst of the storm! Faith in God brings the Peace of God!

*“I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety.” Psalms 4:8 KJV*