

God's Supernatural Presence Season 2: Shalom



Scripture

- **John 14:27**

“Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.”

- **John 20:21-22**

So Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.” And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

Other Scriptures

- Ephesians 1:6
- James 5:8
- John 14:15-16
- Matt. 6:33
- Luke 14:26
- Genesis 3:7
- Isaiah 30:15
- Romans 16:20

Main Points

- We exist for God’s glory.
- God’s ultimate purpose is to glorify Himself.
- God manifests Himself to us when He wants too.
- Practices for experiencing God:
 - Come out of the world
 - Stop running from God
 - Be still before God
 - Receive God’s peace
- If we’re going to experience God’s supernatural presence in a consistent way, we have to value God above all else.
- Peace is the essence of the Holy Spirit.

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Discussion Questions

1. Rabbi taught the principle that God's revelation of Himself to us is always based—not on our desire or need--but on His glorification. Glorifying Himself is God's ultimate purpose. How does this explain how God deals with each of us in letting us experience Him?

2. How did Rabbi say our obedience and turning away from the things of the world affects this process? Our affection toward Him is evidenced in what actions? Can you point to ways that you have been running away from God, rather than toward and to Him?

3. What spirits might be at work causing us to run away from God and limiting our ability to really experience His supernatural presence in the very depth of our lives? How would being still before Him allow us to experience His supernatural help to deal with these spirits and invite more of His revelation to us?

4. How is receiving and knowing His peace the same as experiencing the Spirit of God? Write about this.