

## Daily Devotional, August 4, 2020

### “I am for Peace”, (Psalm 120:7, NKJV)

*“I am for peace; But when I speak, they are for war.” (Psalm 120:7)*

There was never a man who walked this earth that was as much “for peace” as our Lord. Jesus Christ is the “Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6). Everywhere He went, our Lord offered peace with the Father through Him. This is a peace that the world can neither offer nor understand. But look at how virulently many people responded to His message. Truly Christ could have spoken these words of His earthly ministry, “I am for peace; But when I speak, they are for war.”

Let me ask you: Are you for peace? Do you promote the God of peace and His message of peace with God through the blood of His cross? If you do, there will be those lining up to oppose you. The message of the gospel is a convicting message, in which each one accepts or rejects the remedy for his or her own sinful condition, by accepting or rejecting the only “name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved” (Acts 4:12). Can you identify with the Psalmist and say, “I am for peace; But when I speak, they are for war?” Are you for compassionate and lawful discourse in our society, as the means to remedy society’s ills? The peace sought by the Christian as the solution stands in sharp contrast to the violent elements in our society, which are “for war.”

Do you do what you can to promote peace in your home, your church, your workplace, and your city? David says, “Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: “May they prosper who love you. Peace be within your walls, Prosperity within your palaces.” For the sake of my brethren and companions, I will now say, “Peace be within you.” Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek your good” (Psalm 122:6-9). Jesus said, “Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God” (Matthew 5:9). Let us each be forces “for peace” in our sphere of influence, that the name of Jesus Christ might be magnified and the world around us be a more pleasant place, even as others rage against the good.