



**Peace-fakers, Peace-breakers, and Peace-makers  
Matthew 5:9**

**I. A Principle to be Learned**

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you And be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.

*A peacemaker is someone who is actively working to reconcile men to God and to one another. – Ray Pritchard*

**II. An Application to be Made**

**Three areas of peacemaking:**

- **We are to Experience Peace with God**

Romans 5:1 (ESV)

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

- **We are to Seek Peace with Others**

Romans 14:19 (NIV)

Let us therefore make every effort to do what leads to peace and to mutual edification.

1 Samuel 25:32-35 (NIV)

David said to Abigail, "Praise be to the LORD, the God of Israel, who has sent you today to meet me. May you be blessed for your good judgment and for keeping me from bloodshed this day ... Then David accepted from her hand what she had brought him and said, "Go home in peace. I have heard your words and granted your request."

- **We are to Help Others find Peace With God**

**III. A Blessing to be Enjoyed**

Romans 10:14-15 (NKJV)

"How shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: 'How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!'"