Receive His Peace

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you, my peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

Not just peace, but *my peace*, Jesus tells us. Only the peace of Jesus will get us through our time of trials.

But we have to receive it.

Too often, we seek the peace of the world - quiet, comfort, a conflict-free environment - but these are fleeting, temporary.

The peace of Jesus is so much more. It is eternal. John 16:33 (b) says, "in the world you will have tribulation but' be of good cheer because I have overcome the world." In the same breath he promises both trials and peace. We must be able to let go of worldly definitions of peace and seek the peace that comes through Jesus Christ.

We are told that the Lord's peace is so great that we cannot possibly understand it, but it will keep our hearts and our minds on Jesus. the moment we seek peace elsewhere, we are in danger of slipping into old vices: losing sleep, succumbing to exaggeration, internalizing fear, and victimizing ourselves.

Today, decide that Jesus is enough. Pray to your Father to cleanse your heart of worldly ideas of peace and replace it with the peace of Jesus.

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Use this space to journal your thoughts for Day 3

In your own words, describe the difference between worldly peace and holy spirit inspired peace that comes from Jesus Christ.

What are your worldly vices?