New Creation Realities Lesson 8 "We Have The Peace of God"

- I. Introduction- We are in the sixth week of a series called "New Creation Realities."
 - A. We're doing this series because the Bible says we are a new creation so we want to learn what that means and what our new reality is. It's different than our previous reality.

1. *Week 1* - We talked about what it means to be a new creation. We get a new spirit, not a new soul, or body. As we spend time renewing our mind, our soul will align and release the power of the spirit into our soul and body.

2. *Week 2* - We looked at how Jesus discover His identity in the word of God and how we must discover our identity from the word (not our feelings, emotions, opinions of the world, etc.)

3. *Week 3* - We talked about the renewed mind. The renewed mind isn't just one that knows truth, it is a mind that sees from God's perspective. This comes by revelation of the Holy Spirit.

4. *Week 4* - We talked about how we have been made the righteousness of God - we are the new heavens and earth metaphorically.

5. Week 5 - We started talking about healing. We talked about healing our inner world. 3 John 1:2 says we prosper and are in health as our soul prospers. This means one of the reasons sickness persists long term is our soul isn't healthy.
6. Week 6 - We are healed. 1 Peter 2:24 says by His stripes we were healed. Jesus paid for our healing at the cross.

7. *Week* 7 - We are rich! God has called us to set up the garden of Eden in every situation we come into in life.

B. Tonight, we are going to talk about how "We Have The Peace of God."

1. Often people think this is something we have to pray for, but according to the Bible, this is something we already have.

2. Many people assume having the peace of God means the absence of conflict. This is not true. Often God wants to give us His peace as He leads us into war.

II. We Have the Peace of God

A. John 14:27 Jesus said He left His peace with us. This means we have His peace (present tense). Anytime we lose our peace we need to go back to where we left it.

B. John 16:32-33 Peace isn't the absence of conflict. Many people run when things get hard and say they don't have peace because of the conflict. The reason God gave you His peace is because there were going to be times He would lead you into war with either your flesh or the devil.

1. My story about wanting to go back to WoodForest after starting Robert Half.

2. There is no armor for your back (breastplate of righteousness, feed shod with gospel of peace, sword of the spirit) - no backing up in the kingdom.

- C. We Received Peace in the Atonement
 - 1. Isaiah 53:4-6 The chastisement of our peace was upon Him.

2. Galatians 5:22 - if the fruit is peace, the root is peace. Kingdom of God is righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

D. How We Operate in the Peace of God

1. *Isaiah 26:3* says I will keep Him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on the Lord. The key is to keep our mind on Jesus and what He has told us (the battle is in our mind). ex: Some people ask me to pray for them to have peace and then think on negative things and the peace leaves.

2. Philippians 4:6-9

3. Mark 4:36-41

a. Jesus had spent all day teaching on the integrity of the word of God and how the word is like seed. He then told the disciples to get into a boat and go to the other side (that was seed).

b. Out of nowhere a storm came up and waves began to beat on the ship and they lost their peace. Why? They stopped thinking on the word of God (Go to the other side).

c. "Do you not are that we are perishing?" - funny question to ask the savior of the world.

d. Jesus awoke and spoke peace to the storm! What should the disciples have done.

e. ex: Robert Half 2014 story - spoke peace to the situation.

III. Conclusion

- A. Receive Offering 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 sowing seed into a van.
- B. Pray Closing Prayer
- C. Call Up Prayer Team