# **Study Guide**

## Sunday April 26, 2020 "Praying for Peace"

### 1. Philippians 4:4-7

Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by **prayer** and **petition**, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the **peace** of God, which **transcends** all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

#### 2. Points to Remember

- A. Anxiety comes from owning things we cannot control.
- B. Prayer changes us even before it changes our situation.
- C. We know how to pray, but we don't know what we want.
- D. All we need to do is make our requests known to the Lord.
- E. It is when we begin to pray that we experience His shalom.
- F. God's peace is what enables us to transcend our problems.

#### 3. Bible Verses

| Psalms 4:4-5    | Offer right sacrifices and trust in the Lord                 |
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| Romans 12:11-13 | Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer |
| John 15:7-8     | "Ask whatever you wish"                                      |
| 1 John 5:14-15  | If we ask anything according to his will                     |
| Isaiah 26:3     | You will keep in perfect peace                               |
| John 16:33      | "I have overcome the world"                                  |

## 4. Discussion Questions

- A. In times of stress is it easier or harder for you to pray?
- B. What affect does it have on you when you begin to pray?
- C. What is the biggest problem that you need prayer for today? *Spend some time and pray for each need*