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The Lord wants you to experience real and abundant life:

Mt. 5:9 *Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called the children of God.* (NIV)

These are people who overcome evil with good. The result of this is peace in a situation that was originally tumultuous. This is a beautiful example of the LORD Himself. **Rm. 5:1 *Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our LORD Jesus Christ.* (NIV)**

And just as the LORD has a passion to bring us peace, He then fills His children with the same desire. The first step is leading someone to the peace in their heart and soul that can only be found in salvation. Because Jesus became our sin for us, we can then have true life in Him through repentance and salvation. It is in this new life that we find forgiveness and peace. And because of that, we are then able to share that peace with those who have not yet found this peace.

The result of this beautiful attitude is that they will be called the children of God. Many times, as I was growing up, I had adults say to me, 'you must be Harvey's grandson.' That really made me feel good because I looked up to my Grandpa immensely. Somehow, they saw something in me that reminded them of him. There could not be anything better than to be recognized as our LORD's children. We are taking on the attributes of the LORD of all. These characteristics are listed in **Gal. 5:22-23 *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.* (NIV)** When people see these in us, it is a reminder of the One Who gave His life so that we could live.

Dear LORD, help us to live in Your peace so that we can show others Your peace. You are our peace in a world of wars. Use us LORD to show others the peace that passes all understanding. In Jesus Name, Amen