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HOLDING ON TO WHAT GOD NEVER BREAKS ...



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TAKE HEART... HE'S ALREADY WON
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"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world." John 16:33 (NLT)

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1. The _____ of my _____ is in Jesus.

"Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." John 14:4-5 (NLT)

"And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7 (ESV)

2. I can expect _____, but Jesus has already _____.

3. I have _____ and _____ because of Jesus.

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- _____ in Christ daily
- _____ for trouble
- _____ courageously

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
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CONNECT

Has someone ever given you a promise that sounded absolutely horrible in the beginning, but then turned out to be good in the end? (ex. "I promise this roller coaster is going to make you sick, but you're going to have a blast!")

ENGAGE

What was one thing that really got your attention from the weekend's message about how Jesus promised us "tribulation"... followed by a promise to "take heart..." because He has already overcome it?

GROW

- In what areas of your life are you currently struggling to experience peace? What would it look like to invite Jesus into that space?
- How does Jesus' statement "I have overcome the world" influence the way you face daily challenges or spiritual battles?
- Have you ever experienced a situation that felt hopeless at the time, but later became a place of growth or healing? What changed?
- What does it mean to live from victory rather than for victory, and how does that mindset shift your faith walk?
- What steps can you take this week to "prepare for trouble," as suggested in the message, while still walking in peace and hope?

CHALLENGE

- REMAIN in Christ daily – The BEST way to stay connected to peace, to the Prince of Peace, is to stay close to Him. The further away you begin to drift, the less peace you'll experience in your life. That's a promise I can give to you.
- PREPARE for trouble – Since we know it's going to come as Jesus promised, keep your spiritual guard up. (1 Peter 5:8; Eph. 6)
- LIVE courageously - Knowing Jesus has already overcome.

Let me encourage you... stay close to Jesus. Remain in His presence through reading scripture, talking with Him, spending quiet time just listening, taking a walk in nature, listening to worship music... just to name a few.

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