

The Ruling Peace of Christ
Colossians 3:15
Pastor Conley

Review:

There are many circumstances in life that give us reason to fear and worry. In spite of these difficulties God is calling us to live lives that are “ruled” by the peace that His Son brings. This kind of peace can “keep us” in the most difficult circumstances. In fact, the Scripture says that this peace is so amazing that it “passes our understanding” (sometimes it doesn’t even make sense to us). This peace leads us into a peace with others. “If God can get along with me, then I can get along with others.” Because of these things we are to “Keep on becoming thankful.”

Outline Review:

- I. Mandate to let Christ’s peace rule our hearts.
- II. Call for unity in Christ.
- III. Command to be thankful.

Application:

1. What are some circumstances, issues, or problems that “threaten” the peace in your life? Why do they threaten?
2. What does it mean to say, “Christ is our peace?”
3. Pastor Conley said that the peace of Christ is supposed to “referee” in our lives. What did he mean by this?
4. Is there anyone, or any group of people with whom you feel like it would be difficult or impossible to get along? How does having peace with Christ lead us to unity? How does an understanding of what Christ has done for us in the gospel help us in our endeavor to have unity with others?
5. What in this verse do we have to be thankful for? Why will we “keep on becoming thankful” (as the original Greek indicates)?