

Behold
PEACE

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lean in and take notice,
because what is to follow is significant.

The Christmas message is all about RECONCILIATION.

PEACE and GRACE go hand-in-hand.

Romans 5:10 (TLB p. 886)

And since, when we were His enemies, we were brought back to God by the death of His Son, what blessings He must have for us now that we are His friends and He is living within us!

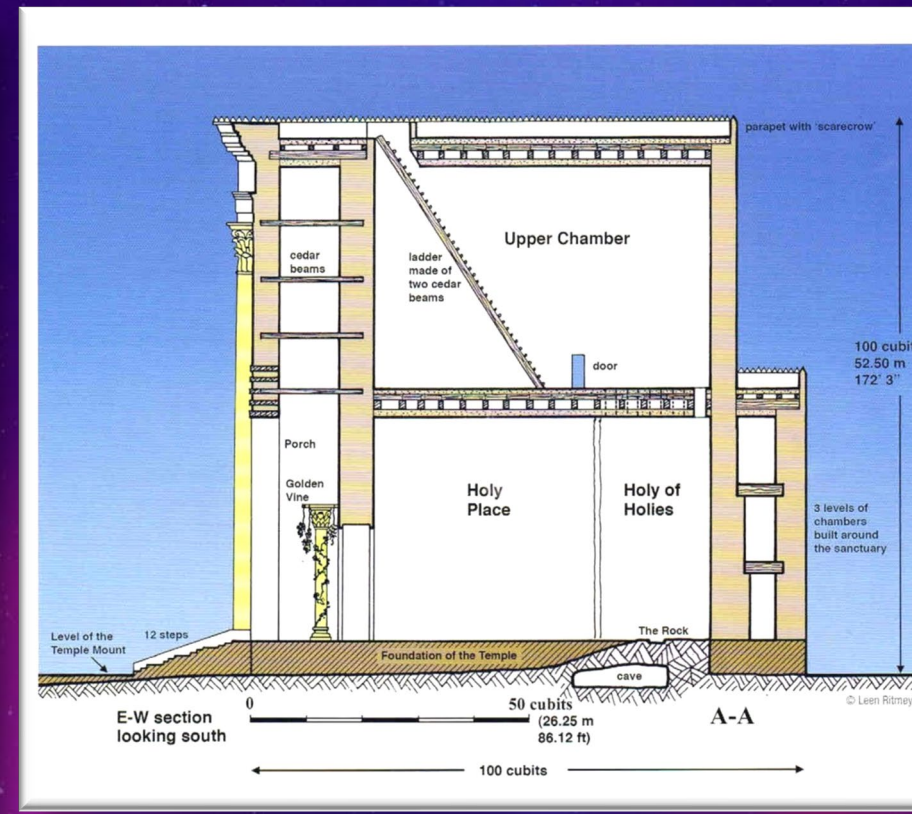
Pues, como nuestra amistad con Dios quedó restablecida por la muerte de su Hijo cuando todavía éramos sus enemigos, con toda seguridad seremos salvos por la vida de su Hijo.

Without that grace, there could be NO PEACE.

Luke 1:26-27 (p. 803)

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Ephesians 1:3-6 (p. 917)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before Him. In love

Bendito el Dios y Padre del Señor nuestro Jesucristo, el cual nos bendijo con toda bendición espiritual en lugares celestiales en Cristo: ⁴ Según nos escogió en él antes de la fundación del mundo, para que fuésemos santos y sin mancha delante de él en amor;

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⁵ He predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will, ⁶ to the praise of His glorious grace, with which He has **blessed us** in the Beloved.

⁵ Habiéndonos predestinado para ser adoptados hijos por Jesucristo á sí mismo, según el puro afecto de su voluntad, ⁶ Para alabanza de la gloria de su gracia, con la cual nos **hizo aceptos** en el Amado:

Luke 1:29 (p. 803)

But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and tried to discern what sort of greeting this might be.

Mas ella, cuando le vió, se turbó de sus palabras, y pensaba qué salutación fuese ésta.

Luke 1:30 (p. 803)

And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary,
for you have found favor with God."

Entonces el ángel le dijo: María, no temas, porque
has hallado gracia cerca de Dios.

FEAR is not a part of your
relationship with God.

Luke 1:31-33 (p. 803)

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Jesus, Yeshua

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means “Yahweh SAVES, The LORD is SALVATION”.

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Hebrews 1:3 (p. 941)

He is the radiance of the glory of God and
the exact imprint of His nature.

El cual siendo el resplandor de su gloria,
y la misma imagen de su sustancia,

Luke 1:34-37 (p. 803)

³⁶ And behold, your relative Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son, and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. ³⁷ For nothing will be impossible with God."

³⁶ Y he aquí, Elisabet tu parienta, también ella ha concebido hijo en su vejez; y este es el sexto mes á ella que es llamada la estéril:

³⁷ Porque ninguna cosa es imposible para Dios.

There is no limit to the ways His grace.
can TRANSFORM OUR LIVES.

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Mary doesn't respond with doubt or resistance—
she responds WITH FAITH.

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Mary's response is our MODEL.

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