

STRESS OUT

Luke 21:34 ESV But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap.

FINANCIAL STRESS

Luke 15:11-12 NIV Jesus continued: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them.

We are stressed out...

- ✓ When we are consumed with having more.

Luke 15:13 NIV "Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country...

- ✓ When we want everything now.

Luke 15:13 NIV ...and there squandered his wealth in wild living...

- ✓ When we engage in self-destructive behavior.

Luke 15:14 NIV After he had spent everything...

- ✓ When we spend everything we have.

Luke 15:14 NIV there was a severe famine in that whole country, and he began to be in need.

- ✓ When we are unprepared for storms.

Luke 15:17-18 NIV When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death!

LORD OF PEACE

Isaiah 9:6 NIV For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called...Prince of Peace.

Principles of Peace

- ✓ Prince of Peace in Hebrew is Sar Shalom.

Sar: Lord, Chief, General, One in Charge.

Shalom: Rest, Tranquility, Wholeness, Completeness, Contentment

- ✓ Our peace is connected to His Lordship.

Psalms 4:8 NIV In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Psalms 29:11 NIV ...the Lord blesses his people with peace.

Acts 10:36 NLT ...there is peace with God through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all.

Romans 5:1 NIV Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...

PRINCIPLES OF PEACE

1. Obedience
2. Contentment
3. Margin
4. Generosity.
5. Integrity.
6. Dependence.

Luke 15:18-20 NIV I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he got up and went to his father." But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with **compassion** for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him.