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**Christ Has Risen, Peace Be With You**



Earlier in the Gospel, John records Jesus saying, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid” (Jn. 14:27). Jesus gives peace unlike any peace offered by and experienced in the world. Based on the peace Jesus offers, our hearts are not to be troubled or afraid. Jesus reiterates this teaching post-resurrection. Later, Jesus declares, “I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world” (Jn. 16:33). Once again, Jesus promises to them peace – peace in the midst of tribulation.

As one goes through life, there are many situations that pop up where Jesus offers peace. When I was teaching short courses to engineers on cell phone designs, before the course I would get nervous about my ability to completely satisfy my students on the lecture, as I am sure some students would know more about one of the topics than I didn’t. Well I took the Jesus’s offer “Peace be with you” and I was able to handle the lecture to the satisfaction of the students. If a question came up that I did not know, I told the class that I would look it up and get back to all with the answer. I would have this information the next time I taught the course. Please share with others one of your experiences on Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.