## Christmas Worship

## EXCHANGING PANIC FOR PEACE



Wednesday, December 20, 2023

Il Thessalonians 3:16, Now may the Lord of peace Himself always give you His peace and in every situation. The Lord be with you all.



John 16:33, "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."



Five Ways to Experience a Stress-free, Peace-filled Christmas:



1. Rely On God For Your Emotional Support.





Psalm 62:8, Trust in God always, my people. Tell Him all your troubles, for He is our refuge.

2. RefreshYourself inGod's Word.





Psalm 23 (NLT), The Lord is my shepherd; I have all that I need. He lets me rest in green meadows; He leads me beside peaceful streams. He renews my strength. He guides me along the right paths, bringing honor to His name.



Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for You are close beside me. Your rod and Your staff protect and comfort me. You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies. You honor me by anointing my head with oil.



My cup overflows with blessings. Surely your goodness and unfailing love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will live in the house of the Lord forever.



"Reading the Bible without meditating on it is like trying to eat without swallowing."



## 3. Refocus on Rest.





Psalm 46:10, Cease striving and know that I am God.



"Rest is a weapon given to us by God. The enemy hates it because he wants you stresses and occupied."



4. Remember
Your
Priority
Relationships





Matthew 22:37, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."



5. Reflect
on What
Matters
Most.





"Sometimes the most productive thing you can do is relax."



Colossians 3:15, Let the peace of Christ [the inner calm of one who walks daily with Him] be the controlling factor in your hearts [deciding and settling questions that arise]. To this peace indeed you were called as members in one body [of believers]. And be thankful [to God always].

