

REDISCOVER

CHRISTMAS

GOOD NEWS IN TROUBLING TIMES

ADVENT

“FINDING PEACE IN OUR STRUGGLES”

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

8 And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night.

9 An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

10 But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.”

Luke 2:8-10, NIV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

11 “For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior,
who is Christ the Lord.

12 And this will be the sign to you: You will find a Babe wrapped
in swaddling cloths, lying in a manger.”

Luke 2:11-12, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the
heavenly host praising God and saying:
14 "Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!"

Luke 2:13-14, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

15 So it was, when the angels had gone away from them into heaven, that the shepherds said to one another, "Let us now go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us."

16 And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger.

Luke 2:15-16,NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

Three insights about our
own intersection with
God's peace during a
violent storm.



GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

I. Peace comes in the midst of our storms.

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

35 On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side."

36 Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him.

37 And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling.

38 But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?"

Mark 4:35-38, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER
CHRISTMAS** TROUBLING TIMES

39 Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!"

And the wind ceased and there was a great calm.

40 But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?"

41 And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"

Mark 4:39-41, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

II. Peace defies our circumstances.

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

4 Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!

5 Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near.

6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition,
with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your
hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:4-7, NIV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER
CHRISTMAS** TROUBLING TIMES

III. Peace is a person.

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

For He Himself is our
peace, who has made both
one, and has broken down
the middle wall of
separation.

Ephesians 2:14, NKJV



GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

51 Then, behold, the veil of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom;
and the earth quaked, and the rocks were split,
52 and the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints who had fallen
asleep were raised;
53 and coming out of the graves after His resurrection, they went into the
holy city and appeared to many.

Matthew 27:51-53, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Hebrews 4:16, NKJV

GOOD NEWS IN **REDISCOVER**
CHRISTMAS TROUBLING TIMES

REDISCOVER

CHRISTMAS

GOOD NEWS IN TROUBLING TIMES