God’s Peace Formula
Romans 16:17-20

Introduction:
A. The author of real peace is God – “The God of peace…”
B. The nature of God’s peace.
   1. Not as the world gives (John 14:27).
   2. Not political nor civil.
   3. But, with God, self and the godly.
C. We plan to notice the ingredients in God’s peace formula.

Discussion:
I. The Right Relationship with God.
   A. Sinners are at enmity with God (cf. Col. 1:21)
      1. God offers peace through Christ (Col. 1:19-23)
      2. We are reconciled when baptized (Col. 2:11-13)
   B. Saints are at peace with God in one body (Eph. 2:16).
II. The Right Relationship with Man.
   A. Peace with God depends on righteous efforts to have peace with man (Matt. 5:22-26; Rom. 12:18)
   B. Peace with man must not be at any price (cf. Jas. 3:17)
      1. Must separate right from wrong (Lk. 12:51).
      2. Must not compromise with sin to have peace (Gal. 2:4,5)
III. The Right Kind of Thinking.
   A. The proper frame of mind (Phil. 4:4-13)
   B. The obedient frame of mind (Phil. 4:9)
      1. When faced with first principles
      2. When faced with day to day decisions in life.
      3. When faced with making a living (Matt. 6:25-33).
IV. The Right Kind of Living.
   A. Live after apostolic teaching and example (Phil. 4:9).
      1. Be busy (“do”)
      2. Be busy in right things.
   B. Live “wise to good, and simple to evil” (Rom. 16:19-20).

Conclusion:
A. Are you at peace?
B. With God? Self? Good men?