## Jehovah Shalom-----The Lord our peace

Judges 6:1-24

## Shalom

- The Name of God is peace
- Means that kind of peace that result from being a whole person in right relationship to God and to one's fellow man.
- The name given by Gideon to the altar he built after the Angel of the Lord assured him he would not die as he thought he would after seeing Him.
- Absence from strife-→ PEACE IS RECONCILIATION WITH GOD.

  There is no more hostility between us, no sin blocking our relationship with him. Peace with God is possible only because Jesus paid the price for our sins through his death on the cross. Romans 5:1
- Peace is not a natural thing that changes our circumstances; it is a spiritual thing that changes us. Judges 6:23

## PEACE IS RESTING IN GOD'S SOVEREIGNTY.

- The work of the Holy Spirit in our life is deep and lasting peace. Unlike worldly peace, which is usually defined as the absence of conflict, this peace is confident assurance in any circumstance. With Christ's peace, we have no need to fear the present or the future. Life's circumstances do determine whether or not we have peace, our peace is based on the word of God. Philippians 4:6-8
  - God spake peace when Gideon was expecting destruction
  - Gideon built an altar-and called it Jehovah-shalom and this name he gave the altar, in reference to what God had said in, Judges 6:23, Peace be unto thee
  - the way to bring peace to a troubled heart is to focus on God's promises. Trust him to do what he says.
  - The assurance of answered prayer brings peace. It is easier to sleep well when we have full assurance that God is in control of circumstances. If you are lying awake at night worrying about circumstances you can't change, pour out your heart to God, and thank him that he is in control. Then sleep will come.

## Additional scriptures on peace

John 14:27 Psalms 3:5 Leviticus 26:6; Psalms 4:8; Proverbs 3:24