



Lewiston Church of Christ

February 4, 2018



Weekly Services

Sunday Morning

Bible Study 9:45 AM

Worship 10:45 AM

Sunday Evening 6:00 PM

Wed Bible Study 7:00 PM

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“And Give You Peace”

It was on the first day of the second month in the second year since leaving Egypt that Moses got some specific marching orders from the Lord in the tent of meeting. God called for careful census-taking, camping instructions, priestly duties, and graceful terms for restitution. But the most important marching order of all came when the Lord told Moses to tell Aaron and sons to declare the following to all the sons of Israel:

*“The LORD bless you, and keep you;
The LORD make His face shine on you,
And be gracious to you;
The LORD lift up His countenance on you,
And give you peace.” (Numbers 6:24-26)*

The beauty and elegance of this benediction speaks for itself. God’s people still claim this blessing 3,400 years later. However, it is hard for us to grasp how uncertain and afraid the people were when they first heard this blessing. With 38 years and 11 months remaining in their wilderness wanderings, the peace God promised must have often seemed a long way off.

Once set free by the power and will of God, the children of Israel often complained and rebelled. God dealt with them sternly but still kept his promise. His plan was accomplished even though many stubborn and ungrateful Israelites opted out. Only two out of their original number actually crossed the Jordan River to claim the blessing.

Read the blessing above again. The words “quick” or “easy” are not there. God kept every promise He made. His plan of salvation always unfolds on His terms. It does not depend on your obedience, but your participation in His plan does. He is the ultimate peace giver but it is on us to keep it no matter how long and hard the journey is.

Joel Solliday