



Christmas

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NOTE: There are more questions below than you are expected to answer. Please just choose a few that are relevant for your personal reflection & application.

1. What was your major takeaway from the message this morning?
2. (Scale 1-10) How big an issue is peace and unity in your 'personal world'? Explain your answer.
3. "He Himself is our Peace." These are powerful words of Paul's from Ephesians 2:14. How do you understand them?
4. Paul wrote to the Ephesian church while locked in chains, wrongly accused of taking a Gentile beyond the dividing wall of the temple. Paul uses his negative, unfair, experience to express a positive message about the Gospel. Can you think of a negative experience that you have had that can lead to a positive expression of the Gospel?
5. "Jesus was born the wrong side of the wall. God didn't announce his plan for world peace to insiders but to poor outsiders." How does this truth inspire you to embrace God's call?
6. In his message, Pastor Craig referred to the centrality of peace in Paul's proclamation of the Gospel. (Scale 1-10) How important has peace been in your understanding of the Gospel? (Scale 1-10) How important should it be? Explain your answer.
7. "Jesus takes down walls that divide us." What are the silent walls God may want removed in America today?