

Rest in the Shalom of God

*“Shalom I leave with you. My shalom I give to you; not as the world gives, give I to you.
Don't let your heart be troubled, neither let it be fearful.”*

John 14:27

INTRO

Shalom is a word unique to Hebrew and other Near and Middle East languages. English does not have one word adequate to represent its full meaning. *Shalom* derives from a few different yet similar words. One is the word *shalem* which means whole, complete, safe, unharmed, full, perfect.¹

From William Barclay's: "...in Hebrew peace always means *everything which makes for a man's highest good*. In the Bible peace means not only freedom from all trouble; it means enjoyment of all good."²

Shalom also derives from the word *shalam*. In English we would say "to make whole"; meaning to repair or restore a situation so that wholeness, harmony or fairness is restored. It is found in Exodus 21-22,

With everything that is going on in these increasingly turbulent times, it seems that resting in the Shalom of God is counterintuitive. Or at least, counter to our conditioned responses and instincts. Yet this is what the Holy Spirit is speaking to us right now... ***Rest in the Shalom of God.***

Why Rest in the Shalom of God?

- ◆ To restore health and wellbeing
- ◆ To fill a tapped out body and soul
- ◆ To be anchored in and with the Spirit of God
- ◆ To seek Him whilst He may be found — Isaiah 55:6 — For mercy and abundant pardon.
- ◆ To improve the ability to hear from Him — Psalm 46:10 *“Be still and know that I AM God.”*

One of the most powerful prayers of Shalom in the scriptures is the Aaronic Blessing. This prayer was gifted to the Israelites whilst they were in the desert, in a time of purification, before they were allowed to enter the Promised Land.

While the most well known translations use “May the Lord...”, the Aaronic Benediction from the One New Man bible uses a determining future tense verb *will*; *“The Lord will...”*.

¹ <https://www.bibletools.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/Lexicon.show/ID/H8003/shalem.htm>

² <https://www.bibletools.org/index.cfm/fuseaction/Topical.show/RTD/cgg/ID/766/Shalom.htm>; William Barclay's Daily Study Bible Series

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*"The Lord will bless you, and He will keep you [protect you, sustain you, and guard you]; The Lord will make His face to shine upon you [with favor], and He will be gracious to you [surrounding you with lovingkindness]; The Lord will lift up His countenance to you and **He will establish Shalom for you.**"*
Numbers 6:24-26

Various verses in the Bible reveal different meanings of *shalom*. A person can experience shalom in death. The first time *shalom* appears in the Bible, it's actually connected to death! *"You shall go to your fathers in shalom, you will be buried at a good old age."* Genesis 15:15

The LORD YHVH is the cause of *shalom*. Isaiah 45:7 tells us: *"The One forming light and creating darkness, causing shalom and creating calamity. I am the Lord who does all these things."*

Shalom is personal and it is in the cosmos. It is internal and it is external. It is found in a moment and it is eternal and continuous.

*"The Lord (YHWH) will give strength to His people.
The Lord (YHWH) will bless His people with shalom."
Psalm 29:11*

Resting in the Shalom of God...

Courts of Heaven Protocol to Rest in the Shalom of God.

This is constructed as a protocol going before God in the Courts of Heaven. We renounce, repent and plead guilty for all transgressions and then ask God to pass judgements on our behalf.

NOTE: Before you go into the Courts of Heaven, take the time to identify your petitions and purposes, what remedies you are seeking, what in your life and family lineage requires repentance in order to be perfected in faith. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal to you these things before you go in to the Courts of Heaven. Often times, when you are in the Courts of Heaven, the Holy Spirit will bring other things to mind for which to repent.

1. Opening Protocol in the Courts of Heaven.

Adonai, I come before Your Supreme Court and ask that the courts be seated and the books be open, according to Daniel 7:10. I put on robes of righteousness as an officer in Your court and I loose the Blood of Jesus over myself so that satan and his minions have no access to me. I ask for the Holy Spirit and the Lord Jesus Christ Yeshua to be my Holy Advocates to represent me in Your court. I give them full permission and authority to speak on my behalf.

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I ask Lord God that You release Your Notification Angels, Enforcement Angels and Hosts of Heaven to all those humans and non-humans who will be affected by Your Court decisions on my behalf, to duly and immediately inform them of and enforce all of Your decisions and judgements in my case today.

2. Renounce & Repent to Remove All Legal Access.

Father God so that I may learn to ***Rest in the Shalom of God***, and to truly appreciate and respect the value and purpose of Resting in the Shalom of God, I repent on behalf of myself and all of my bloodlines back to Adam and Eve, for any and all actions, habits, beliefs, character traits and flaws that have blocked and compromised the value and practice of taking the time and care to truly ***Rest in the Shalom of God***.

I Repent of & Renounce All Bad Habits & Practices.

I repent, turn away from, release and renounce all unhealthy worldly and spiritual habits, programs, practices and beliefs that deny or inhibit my ability to rest in the Shalom of God, including excessive work, addiction to work, addiction to electronics/smartphones/technology, compulsion to busyness, attachment to a set schedule, being 'set in my ways' and therefore not flexible to being with God when and how HE wants me to be with Him.

I Repent of All Unholy Covenants.

I repent of, renounce, cancel and divorce all unholy covenants, agreements, treaties, alliances, relationships that were created rashly, in wrong thinking, poor discernment, without seeking Your counsel and permission, as Joshua did in Joshua 9:14-15 when he established a peace treaty with an unholy people. Standing in the gap for my country, I repent for all treaties, covenants and agreements with wicked persons, parties, entities, organizations and governments that were or are in opposition to or violation of our holy Covenant with You Abba, that are in violation of Your laws and statutes, that make a mockery of You.

I Repent for Counterfeit Rest.

I repent, turn away from and divorce all habits and practices of counterfeit rest. That is, taking R&R in entertainment whilst not taking the proper time out to rest in YOU. I repent for practicing sloppy Sabbaths; that is, letting other activities bleed into what is supposed to be my time dedicated to You. I commit this day to correcting these bad habits.

I Repent for Conflict.

I repent, turn away from, release and renounce all habits, character traits and programs that have caused conflict, dissension and divisiveness; including passive-aggression, projection, victimhood, resentments, unforgiveness, bitterness, grudges — behaviors that prevent or disrupt Shalom with and within others, as well as within myself.

I Repent for Neglecting My Own Wellness.

I repent, turn away from, release and renounce all habits that disrespect my own body temple and compromise my own health and wellness. I forgive myself for all of my addictions past and present.

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*“Trust in and rely confidently on the Lord with all your heart
and do not rely on your own insight or understanding.”*

Psalm 3:5

3. Plead Guilty.

Father God, for everything I have repented and renounced here, I plead guilty on behalf of myself, all of my bloodlines and America. I present the Blood of the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ Yeshua as atonement. I present the Voice of the Blood of Jesus which speaks “Tetelestai”, “paid in full” to clear all of these transgressions from my record and that of my entire lineage and my future bloodlines. Father God, I ask for redemption from the curse, by the Blood of Jesus Yeshua and ask You to break all curses and all other related demonic spirits, systems and agendas over me and my bloodlines. Let the Blood of Jesus Yeshua break all of these curses now!

4. Cleanse, Clear & Release.

Abba Father, I ask that Your Holy Spirit fill me to overflowing to purify and cleanse my whole being — body, heart and soul, and everything in me that has blocked or inhibited my resting in Your Shalom. Father God, I release ALL bad habits of restlessness, nervousness, worry, anxiety, doubt and overactivity.

Erase all doubt, fear, anxiety, habits of obsessing from the chambers of my mind and from my nervous system. Cleanse my heart, mind, soul and body of all trauma and programs incurred. Place your healing balm of Gilead into all of my places of stored habits, filters, traumas, injuries, beliefs, memories and imprints to clear them out now.

~ Pause in Silence to Receive God’s Healing ~

5. Plead the Case to Rest in the Shalom of God.

Father God, Your Word is an invitation to ***Rest in the Shalom of God***. As such, I present the following scriptures to speak for me and ask for Your loving hand in my cultivation of resting in Your Shalom.

El-Shaddai: The God of Shalom.

- The aspect of God that calls us to shalom-perfection is *El Shaddai*, “The Almighty One”.
- Genesis 17:1 says: *“When Abram was ninety-nine years old, Yehovah [The Lord] appeared to Abram and said to him: ‘I AM El Shaddai, the Almighty God! Walk before me and be perfect.’”*
- Matthew 5:48 says: *“You, therefore, will be perfect [growing into spiritual maturity both in mind and character, actively integrating godly values into your daily life], as your heavenly Father is perfect.”*
- **Father God, by the New Covenant shed blood of Jesus Yeshua, I have been provided a path to shalom perfection in Yeshua. I ask for Your loving hand to guide me on this path; return my heart to wholeness in Your heart. Make me an instrument of Your Shalom.**

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El-Shaddai Brings Me Perfection.

- Leviticus 19:2 declares: *“You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.”*
- 1 Peter 1:16 confirms: *“But like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves in all your conduct [be set apart from the world by your godly character and moral courage]; because it is written, “You shall be holy (set apart), for I am holy.”*
- **Abba, I commit to setting myself apart as a Sabbath offering of Shalom. Practicing the Sabbath of rest brings perfection and holiness as You are Holy.**
- **Abba, I yield to Your Holy Spirit and allow myself to be filled with Your Holy Presence.**

El-Shaddai Brings Protection.

- Psalm 91:1 says: *“When you sit enthroned under El-Shaddai, you are hidden in the strength of God Most High.”* TPT
- **Abba, place Your Shaddai protection around me; place Your Shaddai at our nation’s borders; place Your Shaddai around all those who are protecting our country and our borders.**

El-Shaddai: My Consuming Fire.

- Deuteronomy 9:3 says: *“Know therefore today that He Who goes before you as a Consuming Fire is Yehovah Shaddai [The Lord] your Elohim (God).”*
- **Father God, I ask for Your Shaddai consuming fire to go before me in my life and my spiritual assignments to consume the attacks against me; burn up the wickedness in our lands; burn to ashes the demonic strongholds and places of habitations; consume the plans of our enemies with Your Shaddai fire. As with Sodom and Gomorrah, leave only ashes, that all the wicked shall know their destruction has come from Your Shaddai hand.**

Yehovah Shalom: I AM Your Peace.

- Judges 6:23-24 shares: *“Yehovah [The Lord] said to him: “Shalom (peace) be to you. Do not fear; you shall not die. Then Gideon built an altar there to Yehovah [The Lord] and called it Yehovah Shalom [The Lord is Peace].”*
- **Father God, as part of Your Gideon army remnant, I declare that You are my peace! I shall not fear. I give over to You all the worries, battles and seemingly impossible situations we are facing in our country. Fill me with Your Shalom that I am an anchor for Your Shalom in my family, my assigned domains and for my country, America.**
- **Father God, the story of Gideon instructs me that Your Peace precedes Victory. Yehovah Shalom, let this prayer establish an altar of Shalom dedicated to You. Loose Your Holy Peace throughout our lands now to make way for Your Glory and Victories across America.**

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Peace Precedes Victory.

- Numbers 6:24-26 speaks the Aaronic blessing: *“The Lord will bless you, and He will keep you [protect you, sustain you, and guard you]; The Lord will make His face to shine upon you [with favor], and He will be gracious to you [surrounding you with lovingkindness]; The Lord will lift up His countenance to you and He will establish Shalom for you.”*
- **Father God, You gave the Aaronic prayer blessing when Your people were still in the wilderness, in the midst of purifying themselves to be worthy to enter the Promised Land. As I continue to purify to become the ‘spotless bride’ worthy of being at the bridal supper, I ask for You to bless me, keep me, make Your face to shine upon me with favor, bless me with Your favor, be gracious to me in lovingkindness, lift up Your countenance upon me and establish Your Shalom for me and in me. Amen.**

Yehovah Ori: I AM Your Light.

- Psalm 27:1 proclaims: *“Yehovah Ori [The Lord is My Light] and my salvation; whom shall I fear? Yehovah [The Lord] is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?”*
- Matthew 5:14, 16 instructs us: *“You are the light of the world. A city laid out on a mountain is not able to be hidden. Your light must now shine like this before all mankind, so that they would see your good deeds and they would glorify your father, the One in the heavens.”* ONM
- **Father God, let Your light shine in me and through me. I commit to being the light Your son has called me to be in this world.**

Restore Wellbeing.

- Jeremiah 33:6 says: *“Behold I will bring health and cure and I shall heal them and will reveal to them the abundance of peace and truth.”*
- Matthew 11:28-30 invites us: *“Come to Me all those who work and are burdened, and I shall give you rest. You must immediately take My yoke upon you and you must now learn from Me, because I am gentle and humble in My heart, and you will find rest in your lives: for My yoke is pleasant and My burden is insignificant.”* ONM
- **Abba Father, I take Your yoke to find rest in my life. Thank you for lifting off of me all the burdens of my soul and all the burdens of my life! Thank you for restoring my wellbeing and rejuvenating my body temple! Thank you for providing me Shalom in You that is a place of healing and restoration.**

Bring Shalom to Our Land.

- **Father God, I ask that as Leviticus 26:6-7 declares, You will grant peace in the land, so that I may lie down and no one will make me afraid. Let no sword pass through our land. Let our enemies fall before us by the sword!**
- **Father God, I thank you that abortion is finally defeated, and I ask that You cleanse and pardon us and our lands from all of our iniquities; that there shall be praise and honor before all the nations of the earth who will hear all the good that You are doing for America; and that all shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the Shalom that You are making for America, according to Jeremiah 33:8-9.**

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Prince of Peace, Shalom.

- Isaiah 9:6 prophecies: *“Of the increase of His government and Shalom there will be no end.”*
- In John 14:27, the Prince of Peace Yeshua imparts to us His Shalom: *“I am leaving shalom, peace, with you, I give My shalom to you; I am giving to you, not just as the world would give. Your heart must not ever trouble you and it must stop being timid.”*
- **Abba Father, make me an instrument of Your Shalom. Give me a strong and fearless heart, for perfect love cast out fear! Halleluia!**

6. Petitions.

Therefore Adonai, Just Judge, I am requesting from Your Supreme Court the following:

- Grant me all of these petitions I have placed before You here.
- Nullify any and all contracts, covenants, agreements, relationships, hooks, cords to anything or anyone that has or would block my resting in Your Shalom.
- Bring me supports, supernatural and in the natural, to rest in Your Shalom.
- Restore to me 7-fold everything that lying parties have stolen from me and my bloodlines by robbing shalom through fear, anxiety, trauma and loss, according to Your Word in Proverbs 6:31.

7. Thanks and Gratitude

Let this be dedicated time to thank the Lord after all of your petitions. You may want to add blowing a shofar, playing or singing praise music, or other ways that you express thanks and praise.

- Thank you for Your Justice, Mercy and Love!
- Thank you God for granting all of my petitions!
- To You alone be all the glory in Heaven and upon the Earth forever and ever! AMEN!!!

Bible Versions:

AMP = Amplified

ONM = One New Man

TPT = The Passion Translation

“For you are a holy people to the Lord your God; the Lord your God has chosen you to be a people for His own possession out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.”

Deuteronomy 7:6