



**Teaching Notes:** Ray Davis  
December 31, 2006  
**A Simple Christmas**

**desert breeze community church**

### “The Prince of Peace”

**Isaiah 7:14** Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel (“God with us”).

**Isaiah 9:6** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

**John 14:27, 16:33**

#### How to experience the peace Jesus offers:

**1. Accept God's pardon.** (Rom. 5:1, 3:23, 6:26; Micah 7:18;

Ps.  
103:3,10-14)

**2. Practice God's presence.** (Isa.26:3; Rom. 8:6; Ps. 46:1,10;  
Heb. 13:5-6)

**3. Live by God's principles.** (Ps. 119:165; Josh. 1:8; Ps. 19:7-11)

**4. Pray for God's provision.** (Phil. 4:6-7, 19; James 1:5; 1  
Pet. 5:7)

**5. Trust God's plan.** (Pro. 3:5-6; Phil. 1:21, 4:11-13; Job 1:20-22)

Peace is not the absence of problems but the presence of Christ. Your heart will forever be restless until you find your rest in Christ.

January 7    **The Heart of Desert Breeze**    Isaiah 6

### Origins

(God's Passion for People!)  
A study through the book of Genesis  
Begins January 14



# Growing

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**1)** What have you enjoyed most about this teaching series “A Simple Christmas”? How is Immanuel (“God with us”) more than a historical fact, but a daily reality? (Isa.9:6; John 14:16)

**2)** Turn on any newscast any night of the week and you will see our world is in turmoil. What are you currently troubled over? In John 14:26 & 16:33 what did Jesus say He would give us to face a world filled with constant devastation and loss?

**3)** Why is peace with God the precursor to experiencing the peace of God? (Rom. 5:1) What does David say in Psalm 32 about the importance of confessing sin?

**4)** Why do you think it’s important to Practice God’s Presence and Live by God’s Principles in order to experience more of God’s peace?

**5)** What does it mean to pray for God’s provision and trust God’s plan? How will that bring peace to your life? From the list of five things you must do to experience the peace Jesus offers, which one(s) do you struggle with the most?

Make it your Prayer.