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Psalms 63; Joel 3:10; John 10:10; John 16:33; Acts 2; 1 John 3:8

Psalms 63:1–8 (NASB 2020)

1 God, You are my God; I shall be watching for You;
My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for You,
In a dry and exhausted land where there is no water.

2 So have I seen You in the sanctuary,
To see Your power and glory.

3 Because Your favor is better than life,
My lips will praise You.

4 So I will bless You as long as I live;
I will lift up my hands in Your name.

5 My soul is satisfied as with fat and fatness,
And my mouth offers praises with joyful lips.

6 When I remember You on my bed,
I meditate on You in the night watches,

7 For You have been my help,
And in the shadow of Your wings I sing for joy.

8 My soul clings to You;
Your right hand takes hold of me.

- John 10:10 the devil comes to steal kill destroy. I came tht you might have life to the full. To flourish.

For Jesus, the devil was real.

The devil is evil personified.

Jesus came to destroy what the devil has done.

John 10:10 (NASB 2020)

10 The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came so that they would have life, and have *it* abundantly.

- John 16:33 (NASB 2020)
- **33** These things I have spoken to you so that in Me you may have peace. In the world you have tribulation, but take courage; I have overcome the world."

Peace with ourselves begins with peace with God.

"(God) does not delight in having to always explain what his will is; he enjoys it when we understand and act upon his will." —Dallas Willard, 'Hearing God'

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