The word “prince” is a one I have to really think about. Because of movies I’ve watched and ways I’ve seen the word used, my mind drifts towards over-dressed, over-protected, spoiled heirs to a throne. However, when Isaiah used the description “prince of peace” to describe Jesus, it meant something different.

A prince was scheduled to be the next king. They were trained in battle. They were given great responsibilities along with great authorities. In many ways, they were more like elite special forces than over-privileged children.

A true “prince of peace” was a warrior with strength and skill to keep the enemies of peace at bay. Because of Jesus’ kindness, we might forget He had the hands of an ancient carpenter. His followers were weathered fishermen. His arms were powerful enough to turn the tables in the temple and keep the oppressors from taking Him down.

This week’s Advent candle represents the coming of the Prince of Peace into a world that desperately needs peace. The coming of the Christ meant a chance for peace to find a place in our hearts, homes and communities.

Sermon Notes:

A true Prince of Peace will ________ to ________________ the peace. This is an __________ truth.

Jesus brought peace into this world by:

• Modeling __________________________
• Offering __________________________
• Regarding __________________________ beyond biological ____________
• Exposing __________________________ no matter its ____________

When can you remember Jesus bringing peace into the chaos? (Some examples are given in the message, but write down a couple of your own favorite stories to share later during our online scramble).

• __________________________
• __________________________
• __________________________

One difference between a worldly prince and the Prince of Peace is the _______‑___________ ____________ to ____________ the throne. Jesus sought to live ____________ of the throne already announced as His.

Our world needs the peace that passes ____________, that is ____________ our world’s comprehension, and ____________ our power-driven culture.

Four keys to peace:  
• M __________________________
• O __________________________
• R __________________________
• E __________________________

Scramble Sessions on Zoom: 

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1. What’s one holiday tradition that seems peaceful to you?

2. Look at the pictures on your phone. Share one with your breakout group that represents a peaceful place or event in your life? Where you find peace.

3. What’s one way we can be a source of peace in our homes, families, neighborhoods, and communities this holiday season when guidelines require distance, isolation, and unusual loneliness?