

WALKING THROUGH WALLS TO BRING YOU PEACE

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¹⁹ On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."

peace = eiréné (i-ray'-nay) = quietness, rest, wholeness, all essential parts are joined together

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

O God,
let something essential happen to me,
something more than interesting
or entertaining, or thoughtful.

O God,
let something essential happen to me,
something awesome,
something real.

Speak to my condition, Lord,
and change me somewhere inside where it matters,
a change that will burn and tremble and heal...

O God,
let something essential and passionate happen in me now.
— Ted Loder

This week...

- Take some time over lunch and talk about...
 - What's becoming clearer to you during these days?
 - What's moving into the category of "essential"?
 - What's becoming not-so-essential?
- Pray through these Scriptures about non-anxious-presence...
 - Psalm 23
 - Psalm 93
 - Psalm 131
 - Matthew 6:25-34
 - John 15:1-8
- Serve and help those around you