

## Peace on Earth: 3 Paradigms

### Luke 2:8-20

#### 1. Peace on Earth: The Absence of Conflict

- a. The Christmas Truce of 1914
- b. Peace on earth, so long as it depends on man, is fleeting
- c. God tells us wars will continue until Christ returns

#### 2. Peace in Your Life: The Absence of Chaos

- a. *Let There Be Peace on Earth* leaves out the key to peace
- b. The key to inner peace is not within you
- c. So long as there's sin, there's chaos and conflict within

#### 3. True Peace: The Presence of Jesus Christ

- a. Paul's prayer in Philippians 4
- b. Peace in your heart and in the body of Christ
- c. The prophesied Prince of Peace: Jesus Christ

“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.  
Of the greatness of his government  
and peace there will be no end.” Isaiah 9:6-7a (NIV)