New Life

The items were not his and were not being used by him, but the rightful owner was also unable to use them

The enemy does the same thing in our lives

He will steal and store. He will not use what he has stolen. As a matter of fact he has no plan on using it. Truthfully he is unable to use what he has stolen

The goal is to keep you from using it

John 10:10

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." - Jesus

The enemy's goal is to kill and destroy you by stealing from you

Luke 2:13-14

Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom His favor rests."

Peace:

Wholeness, prosperity, security

Absence of war or conflict

John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you" - Jesus

Colossians 3:15a Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts...

1 Corinthians 14:33
For God is not a God of disorder but of peace.

Philippians 4:7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

The enemy will endeavor to penetrate our lives with peace displacers

Peace displacer #1 Sin

Hebrews 12:1b

...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

1John 3:4 Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness.(chaos)

Isaiah 59:1-2

Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor His ear too dull to hear. But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear.



Psalm 51:1-2

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

Peace displacer #2a Worry

- > Work
- > Money
- > A friend or relative's health
- My own health
- >My appearance
- My family's safety
- Relationships

Proverbs 12:25 An anxious heart weighs a man down...

Matthew 13:22

The one who received the seed that fell among the thorns is the man who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke it, making it unfruitful.

John 8:12

Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Deuteronomy 31:8 The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you

Isaiah 40:29 He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

Psalm 34:10

The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.

Worry does not stop at worry

Worry turns into fear

Peace displacer #2b Fear

Psalm 55:2b-5

My thoughts trouble me and I am distraught at the voice of the enemy, at the stares of the wicked; for they bring down suffering upon me and revile me in their anger. My heart is in anguish within me; the terrors of death assail me. Fear and trembling have beset me; horror has overwhelmed me.

Psalm 56:3-4a
When I am afraid, I will trust in you.
In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I will not be afraid.

Peace displacer #3 Regret

To feel sorry and sad about something previously done or said that now appears wrong, mistaken, or hurtful to others

Philippians 3:13

Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead,



Hosea 6:1

Come let us return to the LORD. He has torn us to pieces but He will heal us; He has injured us but He will bind up our wounds.

Peace displacer #4 Busyness

Luke 10 Vs 38-39

As Jesus and His disciples were on their way, He came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to Him. She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet listening to what He said.

Vs 40

But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made. She came to him and asked, "Lord, don't you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!"

Vs 41-42

"Martha, Martha," the Lord answered,
"you are worried and upset about many
things, but only one thing is needed.
Mary has chosen what is better, and it
will not be taken away from her."

Psalm 127:1-2

Unless the LORD builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the LORD watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain. In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat-- for He grants sleep to those He loves.

Peace displacers

- Sin
- > Worry
- Fear
- Regret
- Busyness

PSalm 51:1-2 Psalm 56.3-A Hosea 6:1 PSalm 121:1-2