A "PEACE" of HEAVEN

Would you like to have a little bit of heaven right here on earth? One of the great things about life in heaven is that it's very peaceful. No worries, no fights, no troubles!

And did you know God wants His children to have some of that peace right now as well?

The world doesn't seem like a very peaceful place, does it? There are wars, and fighting, and other upsetting things. But God wants us to seek peace anyway and to pursue it.
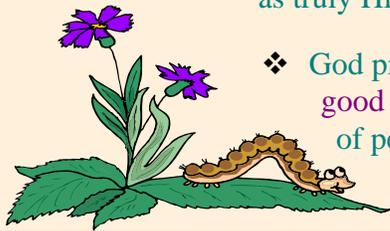
So how do we find peace?

❖ Follow God's commands. For example, Jesus said that we should love God more than anything else, and we should be kind to others just as we would want them to be thoughtful and considerate to us.

❖ Get to know Jesus Christ. The Bible tells us that Jesus is our peace. That means when we are close to Him, we'll have the real peace that only He can give. Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you." (John 14:27)

Why should we want peace?

❖ Peacemakers please God. He blesses them with a great harvest of righteousness. That means we'll see many good things come from our efforts.

❖ God calls peacemakers "sons (or daughters) of God". God's children are always peaceful people – that's how you can recognize them as truly His children.

❖ God promises that there is a good future for the person of peace (Psalm 37:37).

Jesus is the Prince of Peace!

The Bible says that we should live at peace with everyone, as far as it depends on us. (Romans 12:8).

Jesus shows us how to have peace *and* how to be a peacemaker.

Does everyone in the world have peace? No. "There is no peace," says the LORD, "for the wicked." (Isaiah 48:22) But God's children can seek peace for ourselves and others.

This is how we can have a real PEACE of heaven right here on earth!