

# Notes:

Sermon Text

Subject

Spiritual "To Do List"  
(things God has shown me today)

## THE PEACE WHICH CHRIST GIVES HIS TRUE FOLLOWERS

*Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: (John 14:27)*

"Peace I leave with you." As much as to say, though I am going away, yet I will not take all comfort away with me. While I have been with you, I have been your support and comfort, and you have had peace in me in the midst of the losses you have sustained, and troubles you have met with from this evil generation. This peace I will not take from you, but leave it with you in a more full possession.

"My peace I give unto you." Christ by calling it his peace signifies two things:

**It was his own**, that which he had to give. It was the peculiar benefit that he had to bestow on his children, now he was about to leave the world as to his human presence. Silver and gold he had none; for, while in his estate of humiliation, he was poor. The foxes had holes, and the birds of the air had nests; but the Son of man had not where to lay his head. He had no earthly estate to leave to his disciples who were as it were his family: but he had peace to give them.

**It was his peace** that he gave them; as it was the *same kind* of peace which he himself enjoyed. The same excellent and divine peace which he ever had in God, and which he was about to receive in his exalted state in a vastly greater perfection and fulness: for the happiness Christ gives to his people, is a participation of his own happiness.

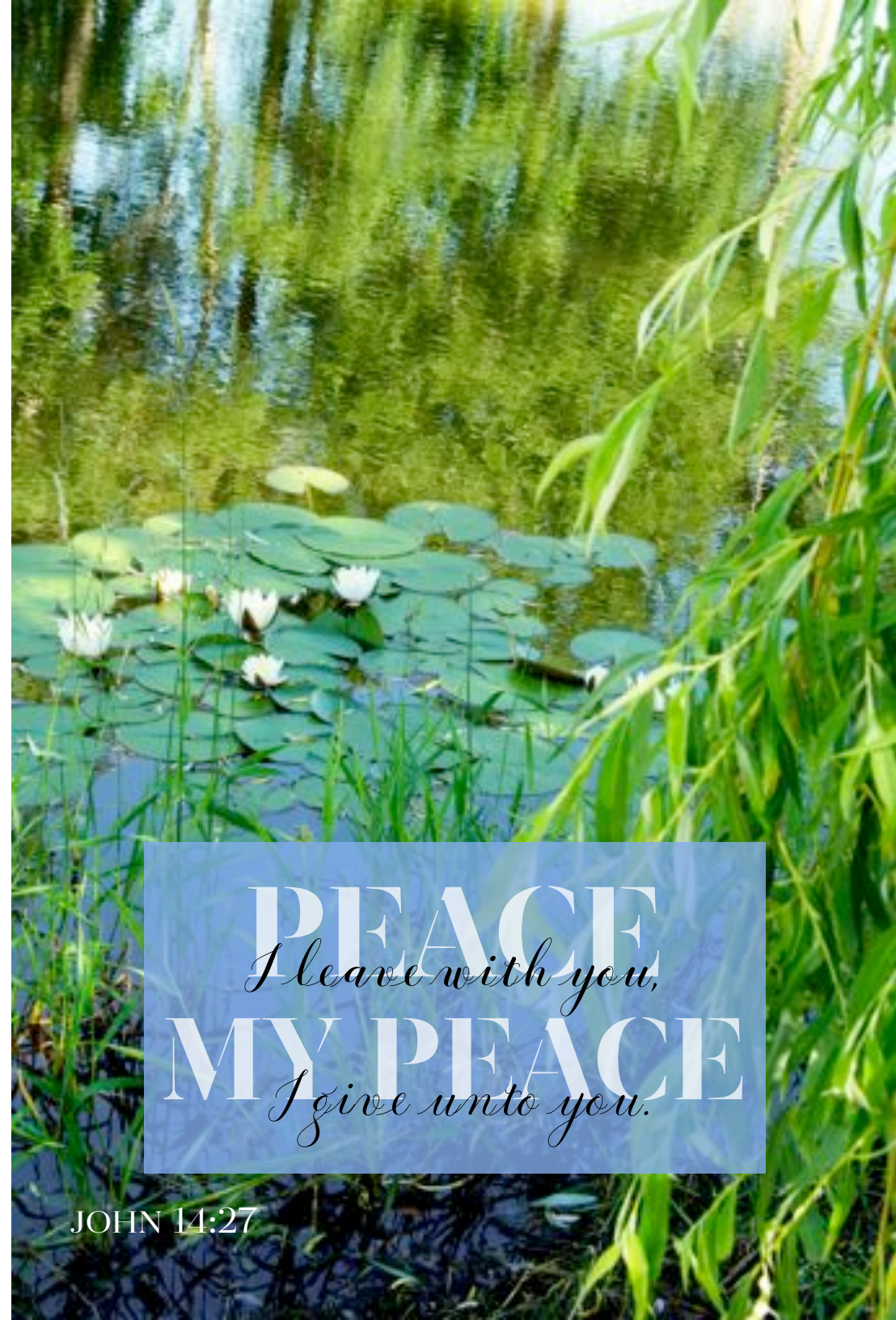
Christ here alludes to men making their wills before death. When parents are about to leave their children by death, they are wont in their last will and testament to give them their estate; that estate which they themselves were wont to possess and enjoy. So it was with Christ when he was about to leave the world, with respect to the peace which he gave his disciples; only with this difference, that earthly parents, when they die, though they leave the same estate to their children which they themselves heretofore enjoyed; yet when the children come to the full possession of it, they enjoy it no more; the parents do not enjoy it with their children. The time of the full possession of parents and children is not together. Whereas with respect to Christ's peace, he did not only possess it himself before his death, when he bequeathed it to his disciples; but also afterwards more fully: so that they were received to possess it with him.

—Jonathan Edwards (Puritan Pastor)

*Thank you for your vote of confidence last Sunday. It seems right to the Lord and to me to continue in His service at Middleburgh PHC.*

*— Pastor Owens*

PHOTO: RDO 6-13-2012



PEACE  
*I leave with you,*  
MY PEACE  
*I give unto you.*

JOHN 14:27

