

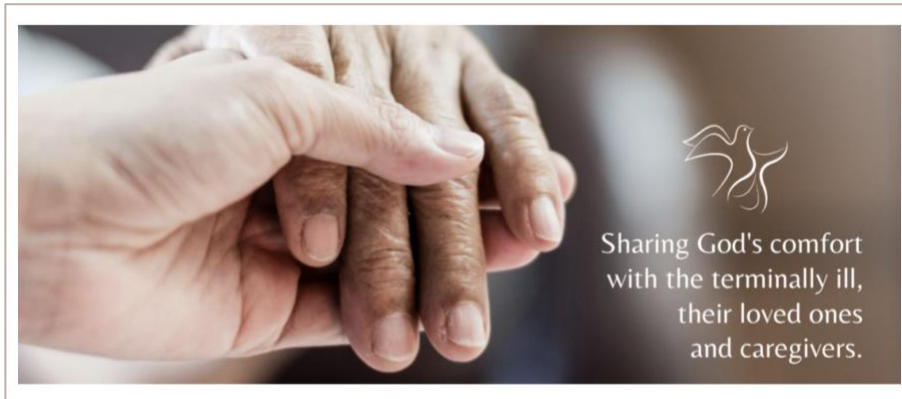


# Peace At Last Ministries (PALM)

Sharing God's comfort with the terminally-ill, their loved ones and caregivers.

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## **Resource Highlight:** *Tools that communicate hope in Jesus Christ*

PALM picture posters are uniquely designed for those at end of life. It can be difficult for the terminally ill to absorb a lot of information in a short time as they struggle with decreased energy. Their ability to focus and to concentrate is often impacted by disease and comfort medications. This means communications must be clear and concise. PALM picture posters help to overcome these and many more challenges.

When laminated, these PALM letter-sized evangelism tools are durable, lightweight, easy to hold, clean or disinfect. They can be stood upright on a bedside table or window sill. Each carefully selected picture captures a central truth from the Bible that is simply explained on the back of the poster. The message can be read by the patient or a visiting family member or caregiver. And the posters are available at no charge; just download and print from the PALM website resources section. Here is a sample:

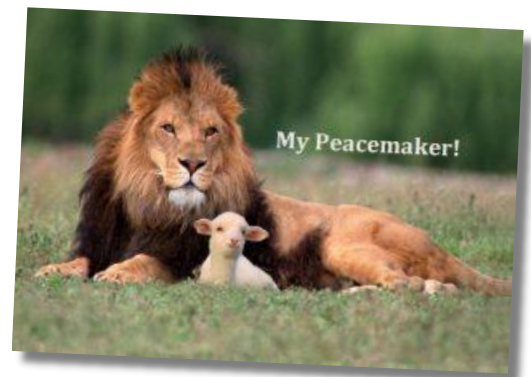
### **My Peacemaker!**

In his classic novel, *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*, C.S. Lewis penned a most-intriguing dialogue between Mr. Beaver and Susan. Mr. Beaver is telling Susan about Aslan the Lion. He explains,

“Aslan is a lion—the Lion, the great Lion.”

“Ooh” said Susan. “I’d thought he was a man. Is he-quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion”

“Safe?” said Mr. Beaver. “Who said anything about safe? ‘Course he isn’t safe. But he’s good...”



Lewis here masterfully portrays the Holy God of the Bible as a majestic, powerful lion. Like Susan, many people are “rather nervous” about meeting God; they hope he is “safe.” But try as they might to make their peace with God, there’s a problem.

So long as one is chargeable with sin of any kind, God cannot be at peace. Like Lewis’s Aslan, “the Lion, the great Lion,” the Holy Judge of heaven “isn’t safe.”

This raises a question. Can God ever be at peace about us? The answer is a resounding YES! This is because, while God “isn’t safe... he’s good.” He has lovingly provided a peace-making solution.

The Bible explains how God takes care of our sin problem the moment he justifies us. But what does it mean to be justified?

To be justified by God means one has been pronounced righteous by Him. But hold on! Has any one of us ever accomplished that? NO! The thing is impossible! Impossible for us that is! Indeed, a prophet in the Bible, whose name was Job, understood this dilemma all too well. He asked,

*...how can a person be justified before God? -Job 9:2b*

What a predicament! Can anyone do for us what we can never hope to do for ourselves?

It is here the goodness of God comes to our rescue! Indeed, this is the very purpose for which Jesus, God’s Son, came to earth two thousand years ago. Through his death on the cross Jesus paid the penalty for every sin committed. And by his resurrection from the dead God demonstrated his full acceptance of that payment. The Bible explains how,

*He [Jesus] was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. -Romans 4:25*

But just how do the achievements of Jesus become ours? To put this question another way, exactly how *does* God justify a person? The Bible could not be clearer; one is justified by simply taking God at His word, by believing His promise. The Bible calls this response, *faith*.

*...since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. -Romans 5:1*

God lovingly offers the achievements of Jesus as a gift. The moment one accepts this amazing gift from the good hand of God by faith, e.g., by believing God’s promise, it becomes one’s own. At faith’s moment in time, the Holy Judge of heaven pronounces one justified!

Having been justified by God, one need not be “nervous” about meeting the Lion of heaven. That person can say with gratitude and confidence,

“Jesus made peace with God for me—**He is my Peacemaker!**”

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Ever grateful for your prayers and support,  
**Peace At Last Ministries (PALM)**



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