### Kailua Christian Church Sunday Message Pastor Dale Vallejo-Sanderson August 15, 2021

# Peace Kindness and Truth God's gift for a good soul

"My child, do not forget my teaching, But have your heart comply with my commandments; <sup>2</sup>For length of days and years of life

And peace they will add to you.

3Do not let kindness and truth leave you;
Bind them around your neck,
Write them on the tablet of your heart.

4So you will find favor and a good reputation
In the sight of God and man.

5Trust in the Lord with all your heart
And do not lean on your own understanding.

6In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He will make your paths straight.

7Do not be wise in your own eyes;
Fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

8It will be healing to your body
And refreshment to your bones." Proverbs 3:1-8

- Kindness; loyalty to mercy and good
- Truth; consistently faithful to what is valid and real

God's Peace grows my soul when I...

#### I. Choose to keep kindness and truth together

<sup>3</sup>Do not let kindness and truth leave you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart. <sup>4</sup>So you will find favor and a good reputation In the sight of God and man." Proverbs 3:3-4

- Kindness alone is trying to be positive without good purpose. It creates superficiality and erodes trust.
- Truth alone is unrestrained honesty without the will to encourage God's best. It is more about our own discomfort and desire to change others our own way.

#### II. Humbly listen to God's kindness and truth for me.

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And do not lean on your own understanding.
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And He will make your paths straight.
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## III. Humbly follow God's lead when speaking with others for; what to say, how to say it and when to say it.

<sup>4</sup>So you will find favor and a good reputation In the sight of God and man." Proverbs 3:4

Question: Would you be willing to commit to a life of kindness and truth God's way?