

Dear Lord,

I invite You to my holiday get-together. Please come and bring Your peace that passes understanding. Serve me with Your peace first, so that I can serve it to others. I ask that Your peace reign, even if only through me.

I also close the door to the enemy who would love to stir trouble into my family this year.

Enemy, you are not invited. Even if someone opens a door for you to salt our dinner with strife, I say no in the name of Jesus. I take authority over this and any other stews you plan to serve. I pray this in the name and the power of the blood of Jesus.

Furthermore, I'm not entertaining your strife, division, anger, unforgiveness, bitterness, hurt, pride, bruised feelings, or arguing. And I say, you may not give these evil presents to the others at my table. Forget about it.

Lord, instead, I'm asking You for a holiday miracle, one of peace and love, one where You become our special guest. And Lord, may Your miracle start with me. Pour Your love in and through me, and cover all those I love with Your love, even if I don't appreciate their points of view.

Lord, I invite Your Holy Spirit to rest on me. Help me to see my loved ones through Your eyes. Even if they come to the table angry, may they leave refreshed.

In Jesus Name,
Amen.

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