

LESSON 7 THE GRACE OF GOD

Memory Verse: Romans 5 :20 "Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound."

1. Foundational Scripture (Titus 2:11)

a. Definition: Grace -God's unmerited favor, or unearned benefits.

(1) Beginning with the born-again experience (Ephesians 2:8-9).

2. Observation: The natural tendency after being born-again: falling into trap of trying to earn things from God, rather than receiving from God's grace (Galatians 3:2-3).

a. We received Christ by grace through faith. The Bible instructs us: " ... so walk ye in Him" (Colossians 2: 6).

(1) The Bible tells us to grow in grace (2 Peter 3:18).

(a) The Bible encourages us to be strong in grace (2 Timothy 2:1).

3. God's promises, His benefits, His provisions are all part of his grace toward his people.

a They cannot be earned; they must be received by our faith in God's Word!

b. Some additional benefits of God's grace. .

(1) Forgiveness (1 John 1:9).

(a) Comment on the act of doing penitence (self-abasement to pay for one's sins).

(2) Healing (Psalm 103 :2-3).

(3) Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38).

(a) Comment on people attempting to earn this experience.

(4) Financial Blessing (2 Corinthians 8:9 with 2 Corinthians 9:8).

(a) Exercising our faith to receive God's grace (Malachi 3:10)."

(5) The call of God upon a person's life (Galatians 1:15).

4. The scope of God's grace (Titus 2:11)

a. God's grace, to a certain extent, even benefits the ungodly (Matthew 5:44-45).

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WORKSHEET

1. What three things did God promise to give freely to those who walk uprightly? (Psalm 84:11)

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2. To what does Paul give credit for who he is and what he has accomplished? (1 Corinthians 15:10)

3. To whom does God give grace? (James 4:6)

4. What does Luke 2:40 say was upon Jesus during his childhood?

5. What is one way that we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ? (2 Corinthians 8:9)

6. According to 2 Corinthians 12:9 and 2 Timothy 2:1, what does grace provide for us?

7. Name two other benefits of God's grace. (Ephesians 1:7)

8. Upon what does our ability to accomplish good works depend? (2 Corinthians 9:8)

9. John 1:14 describes Jesus, the Word made flesh, as being:

10. When we speak, what should our words minister? (Ephesians 4:29)

PERSONAL REFLECTION: What does God's grace mean to you?