

Message 1: God's Grace For The Believer—1 The Profile Of Grace

Message 2: God's Grace For The Believer—2 The Provision Of Grace

Launching Text: Psalms 84:11 For the Lord is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly.

2-Cor 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your (or our) sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty (WE) might be rich (with the blessings of God).

Preaching Text: John 1:16-17 And of His (Christ's) fullness have all we (the believers) received, and grace for grace. for the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Introduction: In message one of this series we looked at the Profile Grace with it's DEFINITION. Grace is the action of God bringing to the believer the blessings of God that the believer can not get on their own. It is the unmerited favor, good will, acts of kindness and blessings, help, clemency, and pardon from God. We looked at the DISTRIBUTION OF GRACE—it comes by Jesus. We looked at the DUTY OF GRACE—it provides what we can not get on our own. We looked at the DESECRATION OF GRACE—it can be refused, ridiculed, and rakished and we looked at the DECISION WE OUGHT TO MAKE. This message will deal with the PROVISION OF GRACE.

1. THE PROVISION OF GRACE AND THE PURSUIT

Genesis 6:6-8 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and it grieved His heart. And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth: both man, & beast, & the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air: for it repenteth Me that I have made them. BUT NOAH FOUND GRACE IN THE EYES OF THE LORD. (WHY?) V9 ...Noah was a just man & perfect in his generation, and Noah walked with God.

(Grace can be found! When we walk with God, we will automatically pursue His Grace)

Exodus 33:12-17 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight. Now therefore, I pray thee, if I have found grace in thy sight, shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people. And he said, My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest. And he said unto him, If thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence. For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be separated, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth. And the LORD said unto Moses, I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name.

(To know the Lord is pursuing His Grace) Psalms 84:11....the Lord will give grace---when? When it is pursued.

John 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

(When we pursue Jesus, we will find Grace.)

John 14:6....(Jesus said) I am the Way, I am the Truth, and I am the life; no man comes to the Father but by Me.

1. When We Pursue Jesus, We Find The Grace Of God's Fellowship

Jer 29:13 And you shall seek Me, and find Me, when you shall search for Me with all your heart.

2. When We Pursue Jesus, We Find The Grace Of God's Faith

Rom 10:17 Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of the Lord.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word (who is Jesus), and the Word (Jesus) was with God and the Word (Jesus) was God. (Find Jesus, find grace----find Jesus, hear Him and find grace)

3. When We Pursue Jesus, We Find The Grace Of God's Furnishings

Phil 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

4. When We Pursue Jesus, We Find The Grace Of God's Future For Us.

John 5:24 (Jesus said) Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that hears My Word, and believes on Him (that is the Father) that sent Me, has everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death to life.

Psalms 30:5 For His (the Lord's) anger endures but a moment, in His favor (or grace) is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

2. THE PROVISION OF GRACE AND THE POWER

Acts 15:11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved.....

Eph 2:8 For by grace are you saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God.

Romans 5:17 For if by one man's offences death reigned by one, much more they which receive abundance of grace and the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.

Rev 1:6 And (Christ) has made us (the believer) kings (to reign) and priests (to conduct ministry that everything in the spiritual world and the secular world is blessed & kept right) unto God and His Father; to Him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

(The POWER OF GRACE is then salvation from everything and reigning over everything by faith)

We Must POSSESS FAITH....Mark 11:23 ...Have faith

POSITION FAITH....Mark 11:22....Have faith in God

PUMP FAITH—Rom 10:17 ...faith comes by hearing & hearing the Word of God.

PRONOUNCE FAITH....

1. The Provision Of Grace Is Powered By Faith Through Our Lips

Mark 11:22-24...Have faith in God. For verily I (Jesus) say unto you, that whosoever shall say unto this mountain (that stands in your way) be thou removed and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe those things which he says shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he says. therefore I say unto you, what things so ever you desire, when you pray, believe that you receive them and you shall have them.

2-Cor 4:13 We having the same Spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken, we Also believe and therefore we speak.

2. The Provision of Grace Is Powered By Faith Through Our Love

Gal 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision avails anything, nor un-circumcision: but faith which works by love.

(COMMANDS: Love God—Mat 22:37, Neighbors—Mark 12:31, Brethren—1-Pet 2:17, Enemies—Luke 6:27, One another—1-John 3:23)

3. The Provision Of Grace Is Power By Faith Through Our Labor

James 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works (or action) is dead, being alone.

James 2:20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works (or action) is dead?

1-Thess 4:11-12 And that you study to be quiet (that is to be at peace), and to do your own business, and to work (by faith) with your own hands, and we commanded you: that you may walk honestly toward them that are without (Christ & His blessings), and that you may have lack of nothing.

3. THE PROVISION OF GRACE AND THE PLENTY

2-Cor 12:9 And He (God) said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee, for my strength is made perfect in weakness. most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2-Cor 8:9 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you that you always having all sufficiency in all things may abound to every good work.

1. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Salvation

Acts 15:11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved.....

2. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Justification

Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

3. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Liberation

Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus who walk not after the flesh but after the Spirit.

Romans 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under the law, but under grace (which when it is received and walked in, there is always victory).

4. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Authorization

Romans 5:21 That as sin has reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord (who works in us to work through us that His will might be established everywhere).

5. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Empowerization

Romans 12:6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith (and the same with all the other gifts God gives to us by His grace. Use the authorization given by God---ask for super-natural giftings, then exercise them).

6. The Provision Of Grace And The Plenty Of Compensation

2-Cor 4:15 For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace (of God) might through thanksgiving of many redound (or result in) to the glory of God.

Plenty of Power Acts 1:8, 2-Cor 2:14, 1-Cor 15:57

Plenty of Provision 2-Pet 1:3

Plenty of Peace Psalms 29:11 John 14:27

Plenty of Protection Psalms 91

Plenty of Pleasures Ps 16:11

Plenty of Purpose Luke 12:32, Phil 2:13, Jer 29:1

GOD IS OUR JEHOVAH EL-SHADDAI, THE GOD OF MORE THAN ENOUGH.

CLOSING—OUR CHOICE

Gal 2:20-21 I am crucified with Christ; nevertheless I live; yet not I but Christ lives in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

I do not frustrate (or make to no avail) the grace of God: for if righteousness came by the law, then Christ died in vain (but righteousness did not come by the law, it came by Jesus and His grace. So I will pursue the grace by pursuing Jesus and His grace is sufficient for me).

Psalms 5:12 For thou, Lord, will bless the righteous: with favor (or grace) will thou compass him as with a shield.