

Grace

Overview: Grace is God providing for us the potential to partner with Him and receive all the blessings for which Jesus has already paid the price. Acts 13:43

A. What is Grace?

- 1) Webster: Unmerited divine assistance given to man for regeneration and redemption.
- 2) God's Riches At Christ's Expense.
- 3) God's help when we don't deserve it.
- 4) New: God's Rescue As Correction Enters. 2 Tim 3:16

B. Ages or Dispensations of God's Interactions with Mankind

- 1) Age of Fellowship in the Garden of Eden – Adam and Eve
- 2) Age of Regression (i.e., Falling Away) – to Noah.
- 3) Age of Covenant – Noah, thru Abraham to Moses.
- 4) Age of Law – Moses to Jesus.
- 5) Age of Grace - Jesus to the “church in Acts” to the “Ending Days of the End-Times”, which includes the Church Age from the Resurrection through the Falling Away to Dominion.
- 6) Age of Dominion – Church Age of the Ending Days to the Rapture.
- 7) Age of Fellowship - Millennial reign from Rapture for 1000 years.

C. Salvation Comes through Grace

- 1) Saved by grace through faith. Eph 2:8
- 2) My grace is sufficient for Paul and everybody. 2 Cor 12:8-9
- 3) Preach, teach, heal and cast out devils. Matt 10:7,8
- 4) All believers cast our devils. Mark 16:17-18
- 5) Blessed with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places. Eph 1:3

D. How Grace Comes

- 1) Without grace, people perish. 2 Tim 2:25-26
- 2) People perish for a lack of knowledge. Hosea 4:6
- 3) Grace comes thru Faith, which comes by hearing. Rom 10:17
- 4) Grace is multiplied thru knowledge of God and Jesus. 2 Pet 1:2
- 5) Continue in the Word and be set free. John 8:31-32
- 6) Hearing & doing the Word of God brings grace and victory. Matt 7:24-27

E. Releasing the Power of God through Grace

- 1) Draw nigh to God and He will draw nigh to you. James 4:8
- 2) Release grace through your **words** (Eph 4:29), **prayers,**
actions (Jam 4:6-7), **wisdom** (Prov 22:4), and **humility.** Luke 22:31-32
Psa 25:9
- 3) Knowledge is primarily in the mind and produces Mental Assent
which defines the limits of your faith. Rom 12:2
- 4) Understanding is primarily in the heart, producing the engrafted
Word, which sets your soul free. James 1:21
- 5) Wisdom is primarily in the soul, producing the grace/favor of
God which determines your health and wealth. Pro 3:11-22
3 John 2

Recommendation: As you gain more knowledge of God in any area of life, act on that new knowledge with the faith to expect God's grace to release His favor and power on your behalf in that new area.