

Appreciating Grace
Ephesians 2:8-10

Revival in the Family

- A. Revival to bring to life, spiritually. To reinvigorate from a state of spiritual slumber or apathy, self-will or self-absorption.
- B. In the family to embrace revival in my particular "season of life," i.e., single, married, widowed, divorced.

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- 1. Mercy and grace are two aspects of who God is. Together, they respond to a third aspect of God's nature He is just.
- A. Just v1- and you were dead in your sins (Gen
- B. Mercy v4 But God, being rich in mercy... ...made us alive...
- C. Grace v5 ... made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved... v8 For by grace you have been saved through faith...



Just – God is just, and His holiness will not allow him to ignore wrongdoing. Cross proves He is just.

Rom. 3:23 for *all have sinned* and *fall short* of the glory of God, (ESV)

Job 34:12 "It is unthinkable that God would do wrong, that the Almighty would pervert justice". (NIV)



"Mercy" – I am guilty but don't receive the punishment due me.

Eph. 2:4-5 But God, being rich in *mercy*, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, ... (ESV)

2. What is Grace?

- Do you see any hint that grace is only given to those who are "good enough" to receive it?
 - Eph 2:1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ... 8 for by grace you have been saved ... this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (ESV)

2. What is Grace (cont)?

- Do you see any hint that believers can take credit for what God has given them through Jesus?
 - V4 But God being rich in mercy... made us alive in Christ.
 - V8 This is not your own doing ... it is the gift of God...
 - V9 not a result of works so that no one may boast.
- 1 Cor 1:31





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1. grace

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- sure, delight, sweetness, charm, loveliness: grace of speech
- 2. good will, loving-kindness, favour
 - A. of the merciful kindness by which God, exerting his holy influence upon souls, turns them to Christ, keeps, strengthens, increases them in...

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- A. that which affords joy, plea-

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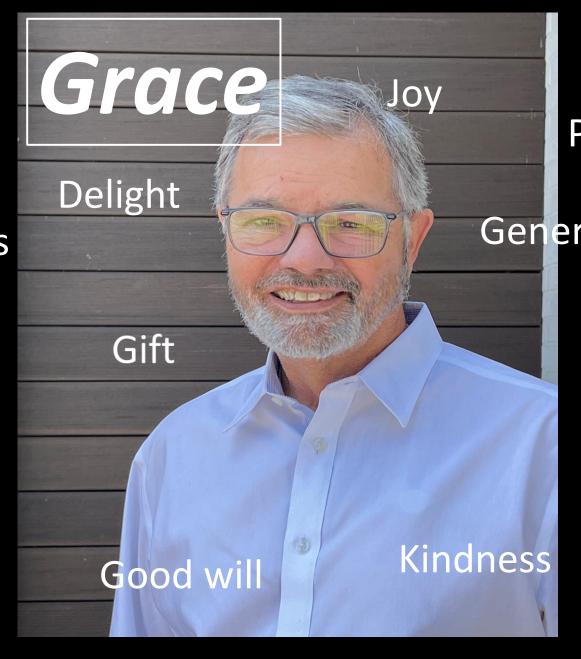
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Favor

Loveliness

Charm



Personal

Generosity

Loving

3. Do you think God knew we would struggle to find purpose in a fallen, disappointment-ridden, world? Do you see "grace" revealed in v10? Do you also see "participation" required?

V10. "Workmanship" in Christ Jesus:

- Created for good works
- Which God prepared beforehand
- That we should walk in them
- After grace comes my participation.



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Call to Action

A. Is there anything keeping you from receiving the grace-gifts of God? Why not choose today to put behind you those things that hinder you from seeing yourself as God sees you? You do that by taking God at his word and believing. Your believing God is how you open the Grace gifts he has reserved for you!