

Praise to the glory of His Grace

*“to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. ”
(Ephesians 1:6, ESV)*

1. Grace is translated with the greek word **Charis**.

“A favor done without expectation of return; the absolutely free expression of the loving kindness of God to men finding its only motive in the bounty and benevolence of the Giver; **unearned and unmerited favor.**”

2. Grace **transforms** man and causes him to love and seek after God. The very word Cháris stands in direct opposite to érga, works, the two being mutually exclusive.”

3. Grace is initially found in **Regeneration** and **Conversion**. God’s grace changes the individual into a new creature in Christ Jesus.

“But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ— by grace you have been saved— ” (Ephesians 2:4–5, ESV)

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9, ESV)

4. We believe **through** (because of) Grace not because of any other reason. Without grace there is no **faith**.

“And when he wished to cross to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him. When he arrived, he greatly helped those who through grace had believed, ” (Acts 18:27, ESV)

5. We are **Justified** by His grace.

“and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ” (Romans 3:24, ESV)

“so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life. ” (Titus 3:7, ESV)

6. We have **access** into this grace because of the faith He has given to us.

“Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not put us to shame, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ” (Romans 5:1–5, ESV)

7. Grace is **opposite of the Law** otherwise Jesus died for no purpose.

"I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not nullify the grace of God, for if righteousness were through the law, then Christ died for no purpose." (Galatians 2:20-21, ESV)

“and he made no distinction between us and them, having cleansed their hearts by faith. Now, therefore, why are you putting God to the test by placing a yoke on the neck of the disciples that neither our fathers nor we have been able to bear? But we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.” ” (Acts 15:9–11, ESV)

8. Grace produces love for the **brothers**.

“Peace be to the brothers, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with love incorruptible. ” (Ephesians 6:23–24, ESV)

9. Eternal **comfort** and **hope** comes through grace.

“Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word. ” (2 Thessalonians 2:16–17, ESV)

10. **We are** what we are by the grace of God.

“But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed. ” (1 Corinthians 15:10–11, ESV)

11. **Thank God** for the grace that has been **given to you** in Christ Jesus.

“I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ” (1 Corinthians 1:4, ESV)

12. **Count your life** as nothing to yourself – so that you may testify to the gospel of the grace of God.

“But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. ” (Acts 20:24, ESV)