

The Attributes of God: Week 6, Grace

When we speak of the holiness of God, we mean:

The _____ kindness of God on believers:

Grace is free kindness & goodness given to those who are thoroughly undeserving. It is completely unmerited. It cannot be bought, won or deserved. (See Rom 11:6, Eph 2:8-9)

The _____ approval of God for believers:

Grace is the giving of full & eternal approval. God's grace towards believers in salvation is what guarantees his full, loving & gracious regard towards them forever. (See Rom 5:1-2)

The eternal _____ of God on believers:

It is the eternal and absolute free **favor** of God, displayed in spiritual & eternal blessings which make the guilty and the unworthy, acceptable. (See Eph 1:18-20)

"Grace, then, is grace,—that is to say, it is sovereign, it is free, it is sure, it is unconditional, and it is everlasting." Alexander Whyte

What does the Bible say about God's grace?

15 Observations:

Read: Romans 3:22-24

1. Is being given _____ own righteousness.
2. Comes _____ faith in Jesus Christ.
3. Is given only to those who _____.
4. Is needed because of human _____.
5. Is available to all _____ of ethnicity.
6. It is given _____, undeservingly.

Read: Ephesians 1:3-8

7. _____ from God and is mediated by _____.
8. Is about _____ & eternal realities not physical blessings.
9. Is about being declared _____ and blameless by God.
10. Is _____ in the love, pleasure & will of God & _____ for his glory.
11. Is _____ being _____ our sin.
12. Is receiving the _____ favor of God.

Read: Ephesians 1:9-10, 13-14

- 13.** Comes through faith in God's _____.
- 14.** Comes through Christ & is eternally _____ by the Spirit.
- 15.** Is something truly yet to be experienced. It is actually a _____ hope. A present truth...a future reality.

Personal Notes:

How should this affect me?

We should be so _____ for the grace of God. (See 2Cor 9:14-15)

We should continue to _____ into the grace of God. (See 2Pet 3:17-18)

We should strive to _____ the grace of God. (See 2Cor 4:15-16)

We should fight for faith & hope in the _____ grace of God.
(See 1Tim 6:12)

“The only life I have left to live is a future life. The past is gone. All the expectations of God are future expectations. All the possibilities of faith, grace and love are future possibilities. And all the power that touches me with help to live in love is a future power. As precious as the bygone blessings of God may be, if He leaves me only with the memory of those, and not with the promise of more, I will be undone. My hope for future goodness and future glory is future grace...We must fight for faith in future grace.” **John Piper, Future Grace**

Personal Notes: