

- Rom. 11:6
- But if it is by grace,
- it is no longer on the basis of works
- otherwise grace is no longer grace.
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## ● Rom. 4:4

- Now to the one who works,
- his wage is not reckoned as a favor, or grace,
- but as what is due.
- Under grace God does not owe us, God is not indebted to us, God is not obligated to save us—this is the arrogance of works!
- Grace appeals to our humbleness, our thanksgiving
- Works appeals to our arrogance—  
I did something so now God owes me.

- Rom. 4:3-4
- 3 For what does the Scripture say? "AND ABRAHAM BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS
- 4 Now to the one who works, his wage is not reckoned as a favor, but as what is due.

- Rom. 4:16
- For this reason it is by faith, that it might be in accordance with grace,
- Faith is only act that appropriates the Grace of God.

## • Eph. 2: 5 & 8

- 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),
- 8 For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;

- Grace is *unmerited favor from God*
- Grace is the Divine method of God dealing with man.
- Under Grace God does not treat man as man deserves but offers freely His Sal.

## Eph. 1:6-7

- 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.
- 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace,

- Grace is all that God is free to give us because of the person & work of His Son, Jesus Christ

Grace >

God's Riches At Christ Expense

- I (God) will do for you if you do for me
- Promise---Trust Me
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- I (God) have done for you
- Promise---Trust Me
- Morality: I am good for God
- Religion or Legalism: I do for God
- Knowledge: I learn about God for God
- Emotionalism: I am emotional about God
- Service: I serve God by serving man

- 1. Grace is a one word summary of God's plan for the human race.
- God's plan is perfect because God is perfect
- If man can do anything in God's plan it is no longer perfect;
- Grace is made void if man can save himself or do anything to be spiritual, other than faith.
- Grace is all that God can do & will do & has done for mankind in Christ. Salvation, Filling of the Holy Spirit is not a co-operation where man does his part & God does His...
- grace is where God does it all!

- 2. Under grace God does all the planning & all the work. All man has to do, all man can do is to accept God's work & this acceptance is by faith alone, absent of all human merit or human works. God blesses on the basis of His Character & what He has done, never on the character of mankind, never on the basis something man may do other than faith.
- We are saved by grace! Eph. 2:5 & 8
- We are Justified by grace Rom. 3:23
- Redemption is by the grace Rom.3:24

- 3. Grace, always depends on the character of God—this is regardless of it's category, regardless of it's area—whether we are talking about E-L Sal. or Sal./deliverance from sins as a bel. or blessings in a bel.s life. Grace starts with God. **Grace never depends on man**
- Grace never depends on you, on you doing anything for Him
- He does it all & offers it to man on basis of grace through faith.
- 4. Grace is the work of God on behalf of man, apart of man's ability or merit or works. We do not earn God's grace.

- 5. The Grace of God is completely dependent upon the Gift of His Son, Jesus Christ & of His Spirit, Holy Spirit. From the gift of His Son we have the gift of God's Righteousness. From the gift of His Spirit we have the gift of Spirituality.
- **Grace starts at the cross!** This is true from God's perspective & from man's perspective.
- Please listen: All blessings are because of the cross work of Jesus Christ
- & received by faith alone. If you grasp this, then you will have little trouble with the grace way of recovery from sins, & blessings in life. Ex. Many people believe that you have to tithe to receive blessings from God. That is a works system not a grace system.
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- If you correctly understand Grace, then you can listen to whatever anyone says & be guarded from a works system of blessing from God.
- All grace starts at the cross—because of the cross work of Jesus Christ & His resurrection, God is now free to extend Grace to man.
- What is meant by *God is free*? Remember the question in Job, **Does God pervert Justice? Does the Almighty pervert what is right?**
- If God saves or blesses anyone outside of the work of Christ on cross, alone, then He would pervert His own essence of Justice & Righteousness.

- 6. Because of the person & work of Jesus Christ on the Cross, & subsequent Resurrection, God can offer Salvation by grace through faith.
- You did not suffer on the cross, for your sins, & you cannot do anything that will be equal to His suffering, **so stop trying to offer God something you do**, & receive it all from God by grace through simple faith.

- 7. Grace starts at the cross is from God's perspective & also from ours. This means that blessings from God begin at the cross not you.
- All blessings from God begin with you believing in His Son, Jesus Christ. Being a born again bel.; possessing perfect righteousness of God—which you will recall you received by Faith alone in Christ alone. You must be a believer in Jesus Christ
- The first blessing which comes to any person at the moment you believe in Christ as your Savior, is God giving you some 34 things (LSChafer)
- First blessing is your Sal.—imputed righteousness, then Justification—saved, & now you are ready for God to keep on blessing you but all blessings after Sal. are also dependent on the Grace of God. We do not earn nor deserve any blessings from God.

- 8. Religion & Legalism are in opposition with Grace.
- Grace is opposed to the Law
- Rom. 6:14 For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law, but under grace.
- Grace is opposed to works
- Grace is opposed to Religion
- Grace is opposed to Legalism
- Grace is only compatible with faith
- Grace is the one thing that Satan does not understand, nor does anyone involved in Religion or Legalism. Under Religion & Legalism man works, & does something for God. Remember difference between Christianity & Religion:
- Religion is man doing for God &
- Christianity is God doing for man.

- **9.** Grace demands total confidence in God--
- Therefore when you add anything to faith, it nullifies grace.
- Total confidence in God (faith alone) in E-L Sal.
- Total confidence in God in Spirituality
- Total confidence in God in living CWL—**We walk by Faith not by sight.** When you do something for God that is walking by sight.
- **10.** Grace always depends completely on God's provision—who & what God is & what God provides, never on what I do.
- The more you work, do & do, the deeper in debt you go.

- 11. We are saved by Grace, we are restored to F/HS by Grace, we live by the grace of God.
- 2 Cor. 12:9 & He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may dwell in me. That is power of Holy Spirit whom Jesus Christ sent after His departure from earth to heaven.
- First thing we must do is to recognize our **weakness**—to be saved eternally by Grace through faith & to be restored from sin by grace through faith, to live the CWL by grace through faith.
- For we walk by faith not by sight!

- 12. Grace glorifies God, not us!
- 2 Cor. 4:15 For all things that God does & provides are for your sakes, benefit, that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God.

