



GRACE & FAITH PART I

“...be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.”

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.
(John 1:1-5)

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only
begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

And of His fullness we have all received, and grace
for grace. For the law was given through Moses,
but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

(John 1:14, 16-17 NKJV)

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age,

(Titus 2:11-12 NKJV)

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For sin **shall not have dominion over you**, for you
are not under law but under grace.
(Romans 6:14 NKJV)

And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

(Ephesians 5:11 KJV)

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and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not
of works, lest anyone should boast.

(Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV)

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For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

(Ephesians 2:8-10 NKJV)

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For us to walk in THE work that God is preparing for us, we must understand that Grace working through Faith is key.

- This morning we will explore:
 - *What exactly is Grace?*
 - *How am I saved by Grace?*
 - *What is the purpose of God's Grace in my life after Salvation?*

- In two weeks in Part II we will look at:
 - *What is Faith?*
 - *What is the difference between a dead Faith and a living Faith*
 - *How do we obtain Faith?*
 - *How do Faith and Grace work with each other?*

Grace & Salvation

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For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is **the power of God**. (1 Corinthians 1:15)

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Romans 6:23 KJV)

³ Jesus answered and said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is **born again**, he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

⁵ Jesus answered, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is **born of water and the Spirit**, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear the sound of it, but cannot tell where it comes from and where it goes. So is everyone who is **born of the Spirit.**”

(John 3:3,5,8 NKJV)

For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.

But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ***not by works*** of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the ***washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit***, whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that having been ***justified by His grace*** we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

(Titus 3:3-7 NKJV)

- We are...
 - *Saved by Grace*
 - *Saved by God's Power*
 - *Saved by the Spirit*

And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the ***spirit of grace*** and of supplications:
(Zechariah 12:10)

... the ***Spirit of grace?***
(Hebrews 10:29)

"... that you may know ... what is the ***exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe***, according to the working of ***His mighty power***, which he worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead ... God, who is rich in mercy, because of his great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, **made us alive together with Christ, (by grace you have been saved;)**

(Ephesians 1:18-20, 2:4-5 Partial NKJV)

Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ,
he is a new creation;
old things have passed away;
behold, all things have become new.

(2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJV)

I will give you a **new heart** and
put a **new spirit within you**;
I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and
give you a heart of flesh.
I will put **My Spirit within you...**

(Ezekiel 36:26-27a NKJV)

In regards to this new birth:

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Grace is: the Power of God, worked in us by the Spirit of God, unto Salvation, a New Birth and a New Creature.

Grace & our Christian Walk

As you therefore have **received Christ Jesus**
the Lord, so **walk in Him.**
(Colossians 2:6)

For **we walk by faith**, not by sight.
(2 Corinthians 5:7)

Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear.

(Hebrews 12:28)

*"For by grace are you saved ...
...unto good works"*

(Ephesians 2:8,10 partial)

“Your work for Christ
must be Christ’s work in you,
Or else it will be good for nothing.”

~ C H Spurgeon ~

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**You therefore, my son, be strong in the
grace that is in Christ Jesus.
(2 Timothy 2:1 NKJV)**

‘Not by might
nor by power,
but **by My Spirit,**’
Says the LORD of hosts.
(Zachariah 4:6 NKJV)

**I will put My Spirit within you
and cause you to walk in My statutes,
and you will keep My judgments and do
*them.***

(Ezekiel 36:27 NKJV)

Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom,
Let not the mighty *man* glory in his might,
Nor let the rich *man* glory in his riches;

**But let him who glories glory in this,
That he understands and knows Me,
That I *am* the LORD...**

(JEREMIAH 9:23-24 NKJV)

Is not by our might, but **by His Grace.**

It is not by our power, but **by His Grace.**

It is not by our wisdom, but **by His Grace.**

It is not by our riches, but **by His Grace.**

It is **His Spirit of Grace** that causes us to walk in His statutes and keep His judgments.

**But by the grace of God I am what I am,
and His grace toward me was not in vain;
but I labored more abundantly than they all,
yet not I, but
the grace of God *which* was with me.**

(1 Corinthians 15:10 NKJV)

**“But of Him (God) you are in Christ Jesus,
who of God is made to us
wisdom and righteousness and
sanctification and redemption; so that,
according as it is written, "He who glories, let
him glory in the Lord.”**

(1 Corinthians 1:30-31 MKJV)

"And we have such trust through Christ toward God, **not that we are sufficient of ourselves** to think anything as of ourselves, **but our sufficiency is of God;**"

(2 Corinthians 3:4-5 MKJV)

And He said to me,
“***My grace*** is sufficient for you, for
My strength is made perfect in weakness.”
Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my
infirmities, that the ***power of Christ*** may rest
upon me.

(2 Corinthians 12:9 NKJV)

In regards to our Christian experience
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Grace is: the Power of God,
given to us by the Spirit of God,
to do the Will of God.

14 For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,

16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, **to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;**

17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

18 May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

19 And to know the love of Christ, which passes knowledge, **that you might be filled with all the fullness of God.**

20 Now to him that is able to do **exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think,** according to **the power that works in us,**

21 To him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

(Ephesians 3:14-21 AKJV)

Behold, I send the Promise of My Father
upon you; but tarry in the city of
Jerusalem until you are
endued with power from on high.”

(Luke 24:49 NKJV)