

belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

Flesh rendered powerless (John 15:5, 10)

- New _____

Talk: Our Interpersonal Life (COLOSSIANS 3:8, EPHESIANS 5:4, MATTHEW 12:34)

Walk: Our Outward Life (EPHESIANS 2:10; 4:1, 17; 5:2, 8, 17)

Responding to Grace

TITUS 2:11 (NIV) *For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.*

JOHN 1: 14 (NIV) *The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.*

JOHN 1:16 (NIV) *Out of his fullness we have all received grace in place of grace already given.*

How to Become a Christian

Many people believe they are Christians because they were born in a Christian culture, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a good life. However, the Bible teaches that these things cannot make you a Christian. You become a Christian by simply taking these two steps:

- Acknowledge that you (along with all people) have sinned and fallen short of God's standards. ROMANS 3:23
- Personally believe that Jesus Christ, who was God in human flesh, died for your sins on the cross and rose again. 1 CORINTHIANS 15:3, 4

You may express your belief through prayer, asking Jesus to come into your life, and receiving Him as God's gift to you.

JOHN 1:12, ROMANS 6:23, REVELATION 3:20

"For it is by grace you have been saved through faith...it is the gift of God; not by works, so that no one can boast." EPHESIANS 2:8, 9 (NIV)

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Sermon Notes

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Family Values

Values that form our church family

1. Multiplying followers of Jesus Christ
2. Living in the grace of God
3. Loving people
4. Training leaders for ministry
5. Preaching Christ

Understanding Grace

Comparisons

- Justice: Getting what we _____
- Mercy: _____ getting what we deserve
- Grace: Getting what we _____ deserve

Memory Device

G _____
R _____
A _____
C _____
E _____

Salvation by Grace

EPHESIANS 2:8-9 (NIV) *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.*

- Grace is not withheld because of human _____.
JOHN 3:18 (NIV) *Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.*
- Grace is not conditioned on human _____.

EPHESIANS 2:10 (NIV) *For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

- Grace is not to compensate for human _____.
ROMANS 3:23 (NIV) *You who boast in the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law?*
- Grace is not extended because of special _____.
ROMANS 3:10-12 (NIV) *As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one; ¹¹ there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God. ¹² All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."*

Living in Grace

JOHN 14:19-20 (NIV) *Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.*

"You in me"— The Grace of Being in Christ

- The New _____ of Grace
Called (1 THESSALONIANS 1:4; 5:24)
Redeemed (2 CORINTHIANS 5:19)
Forgiven (COLOSSIANS 2:13)
Without Condemnation (ROMANS 8:1)
Justified (ROMANS 3:24)
Made Righteous (2 CORINTHIANS 5:21)
Delivered from Darkness (COLOSSIANS 1:13)
- The New _____ under Grace
New Standing (EPHESIANS 1:18)
New Life (JOHN 10:10, 28)
New Presence of the Holy Spirit (ROMANS 5:5)
New Inheritance (ROMANS 8:17)
New Access (ROMANS 5:2, HEBREWS 10:19-22; JOHN 14:14-16)

- The New _____ in Grace

Secure Salvation (JOHN 10:28-29, EPHESIANS 1:14, GALATIANS 5:1)

Secure Protecting Armor of God (EPHESIANS 6:13-17)

Secure in Christ's Unfailing Love

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? ³² He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? ³³ Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who then is the one who condemns? No one. Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. ³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ³⁶ As it is written:

*"For your sake we face death all day long;
we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."*

³⁷ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, ³⁹ neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

"I in you"— The Grace of Christ Living in Us

- New _____
...of Life (EPHESIANS 4:6, COLOSSIANS 1:27, 1 CORINTHIANS 6:19)
...for Obedience (JOHN 15:5, 10)
- New _____
Fruit revealed
GALATIANS 5:16 *If you bite and devour each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other.*
GALATIANS 5:22-25 *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. ²⁴ Those who*