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Grace

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Grace Is Not A Covering for Rebellion and Willful Disobedience Grace Is Not God Going Light On Sin Grace Is Not Excusing Us For Our Behaviors

What Grace Is Not

Romans 5:20-6:4

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What is Grace?

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Grace - "charis" unearned, unmerited favour of God

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Practical - God's Life, Power and Righteousness Coming To You As A Gift

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Grace Is The Opposite of Keeping Laws Or Rules

Galatians 5:1-4

You have become estranged from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified [made right] by law [rules]; you have fallen from grace!

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A Gift From God

Romans 5:15 -17

¹⁵ But the free gift *is* not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. ¹⁶ And the gift *is* not like *that which came* through the one who sinned. For the judgment *which came* from one *offense resulted* in condemnation, but the free gift *which came* from many offenses *resulted* in justification. ¹⁷ For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and the gift of rightesousness will reign in life through the one, Jesus Christ.)

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2 Ways of Being Right Before God (Also Called Justified)

Law – The Keeping of Rules – Old Testament (Will) Grace – The Faith In Christ – New Testament (Will)

The Laws Says: You Must Change To Approach God

Grace Says: Jesus Paid For My Imperfection

Therefore I Can Approach A Holy God So That His Grace Will Empower Me To

Change

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Time Periods of the Bible

Time Period 1 – Grace and Faith - Patriarchy - 2500 Years

Time Period 2 - Justice and Wrath - The Law - 1500 Years

Time Period 3 - Grace and Faith - Resurrection till Today

Romans 3:20-24

Therefore no one will be declared righteous in Gods sight by the works of the law: rather,

The Law

Galatians 3:19-25

¹⁹ What purpose then *does* the law *serve?* It was added because of transgressions, till the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; *and it was* appointed through angels by the hand of a mediator. ²⁰ Now a mediator does not *mediate* for one *only*, but God is one. ²¹ *Is* the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law. ²² But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe. ²³ But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. ²⁴ Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. ²⁵ But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.

1. The Law Make All Guilty and Increase the Knowledge of Sin

Romans 3:19-20

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God.

²⁰ Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law *is* the knowledge of sin.

- 2. The Law Strengthens Sin
 - 1 Corinthians 15:56
 - ⁵⁶ The sting of death *is* sin, and the strength of sin *is* the law.
- 3. The Law Is Ministry of Death & Condemnation

2 Corinthians 3:7-9

4. The Law Arouses Sin

Romans 7:5-8

⁵ For when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death. ⁶ But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that we should serve in the newness of the Spirit and not *in* the oldness of the letter. ⁷ What shall we say then? *Is* the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, "You shall not covet." ⁸ But sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all *manner of evil* desire. For apart from the law sin *was* dead.

What Grace Does In Your Life

Gods Grace Saves You

Ephesians 2:8-9 For by *grace you have been saved*, through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest any man should boast".

Gods Grace Justifies You - Just As If I Had Not Sinned

Romans 3:24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus

Gods Grace Sanctifies You - Cleans You

Heb 10:10 By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once *for all*.

Grace Empowers You

Romans 5:17 For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

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Law Living Is Living By Rules

Law Living Is Living In Fear

Law Living Is Living In Condemnation

Law Living Is Living In Death

Law Living Is Living In Guilt

Law Living Says I Must Change Myself

Law Living Is Living In Shame

Law Living Always Points Out Your Lack

Law Living Is Always Feeling Guilty Before God

Law Living Destroys Your Faith In God

Law Living Ties You To Your Sin

Law Living Is Living With Sin Consciences

Grace Living Is Living By Gods Spirit

Grace Living Is Living By Love

Grace Living Is Living In Righteousness By Christ Free Gift

Grace Living Is Living In Life

Grace Living Always Tells You: Jesus Paid It All

Grace Living Says God Only Can Change Me

Grace Living Is Always Feeling Justified Before God

Grace Living Says I Am Complete In Christ Lacking Nothing

Grace Living Builds Your Faith

Grace Living Frees You From Your Sin

Grace Living Is Living With A God Consciences

Grace Is Jesus Paying For Your Sin

Grace Is Jesus Taking Your Sickness

Grace Is Jesus Taking Your Punishment That You Rightfully Deserved

Grace Is God Answering My Prayers Because of His Goodness

Grace Is God Watching Over My

Grace Is God

Grace is the Pardon and the Power To Live Right For God

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Hebrews 10:11-19

Hebrews 9:12-14

WHAT WE MUST DO IN RELATION TO GRACE

1. Believe It

2 Receive It

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