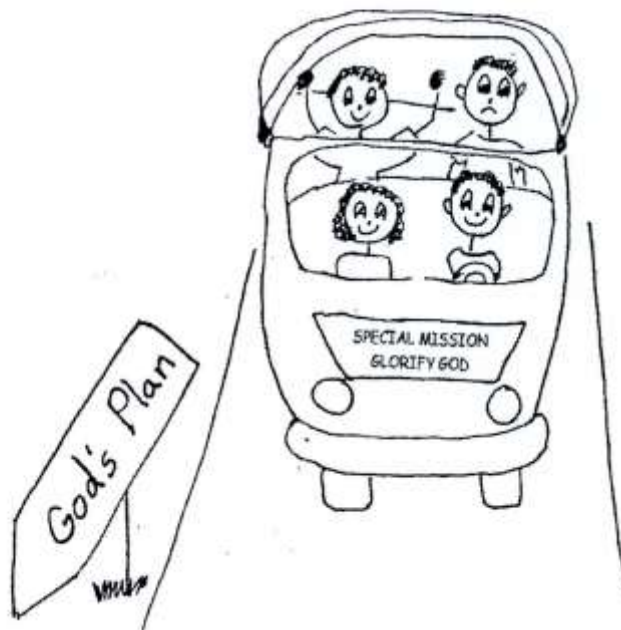
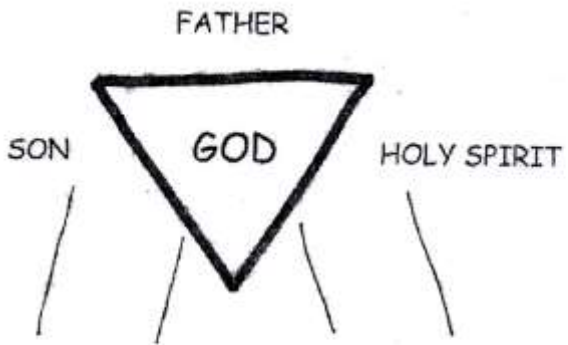


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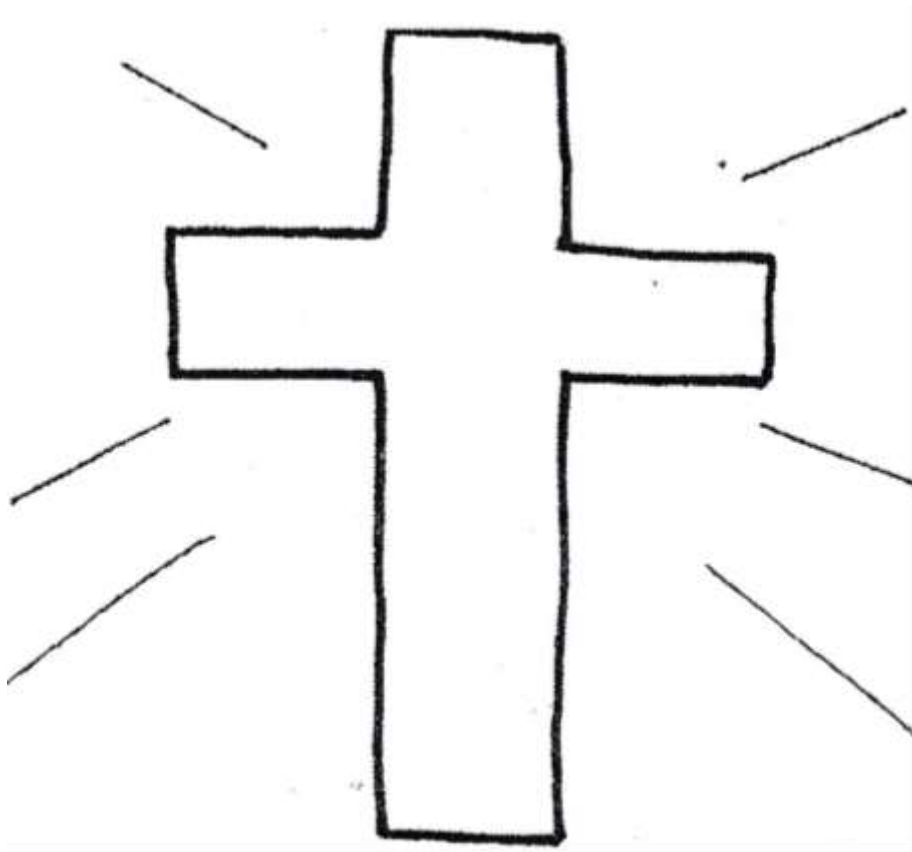
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There is no limit to God's grace! It is infinite! He has given us grace or unmerited love and blessings so we can have faith in His care and protection of us! In grace, God works and mankind benefits! Grace comes from God in the form of gifts, both spiritual and temporal; it returns to God in the form of glory or honor. If we stick with God, we can't lose and we will bring glory to God!



2 Timothy 1:9
Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity.....

This all happened billions and billions of years ago! God made a decision to *shut up all in disobedience that He might show mercy to all. Romans 11:32.* God labeled **all** mankind as disobedient so He might have mercy upon **all**. He knew we would **all** sin so He planned the solution to sin before we even came into existence! God wants us to know how wonderful He is, not how awful we are! He planned the cross so we would have the opportunity to believe and receive His mercy* and grace! *Kindness or help given to people who are in a very bad or desperate situation.



We are not to let human guilt stand in the way of God's grace! Human guilt is putting ourselves down because we sin. When we feel guilty we are to go to God's throne and remember His mercy! All of our sins have been forgiven. Jesus Christ took care of the sin and guilt issue at the cross! Guilt gets in the way of God's grace. God has to be free to use His grace without us limiting Him because of human guilt. We are not to put limits on God using grace in our lives or the lives of others! At the cross, God the Father's justice was completely satisfied. Now we can receive God's grace to the max! Get out of my way guilt!

Divine Viewpoint

Human Viewpoint



Bible Doctrine
GRACE

God's Plan

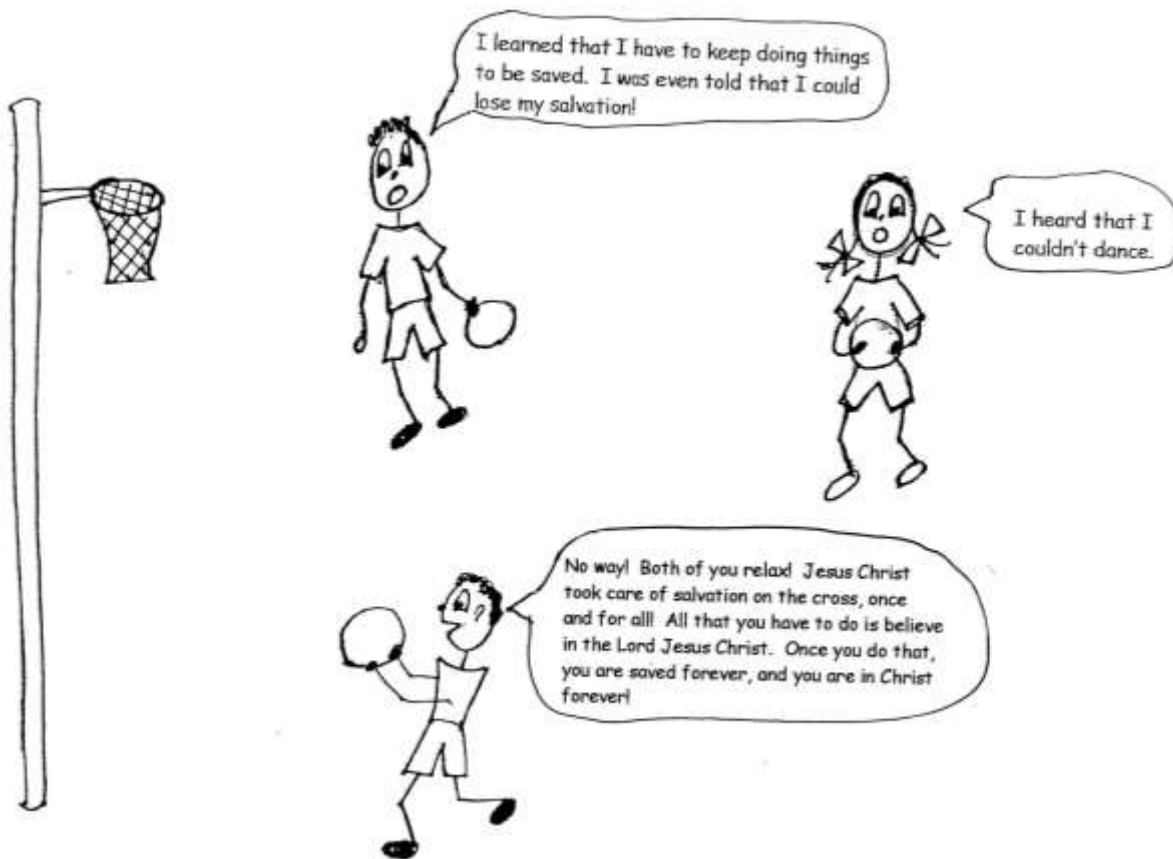
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My Plan

Psalm 23:3 He restores my soul; He guides me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake [for His reputation].

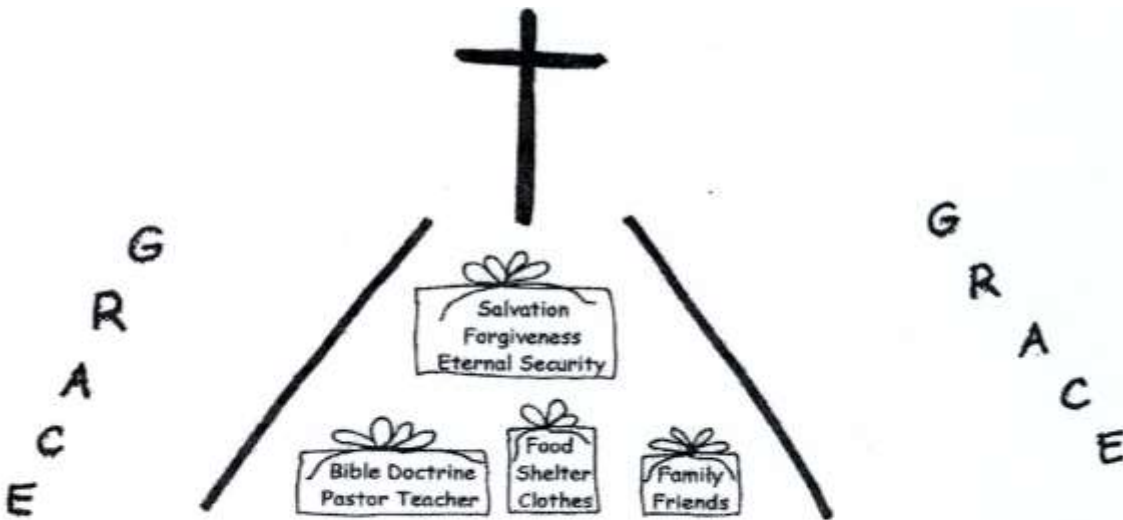
We are not to feel obliged to God to pay back anything He gives us in grace. Grace wouldn't be grace - a free gift - if we were obliged to pay God back! Feeling obliged just stands in the way of His grace. There are no strings attached to God's grace! God doesn't say, " _____ (put in your name), I will give you this grace blessing, but you have to pay for it." Jesus Christ already paid for all of our grace blessings by His work on the cross! We don't glorify God when we put ourselves under obligation. He is glorified when He delivers us from problems with His free gifts of grace. Instead of feeling obliged, we just need to say, "Thank You, God!"*

*Go to allaboardgodstrain.org and read *A Very Special Grace*.



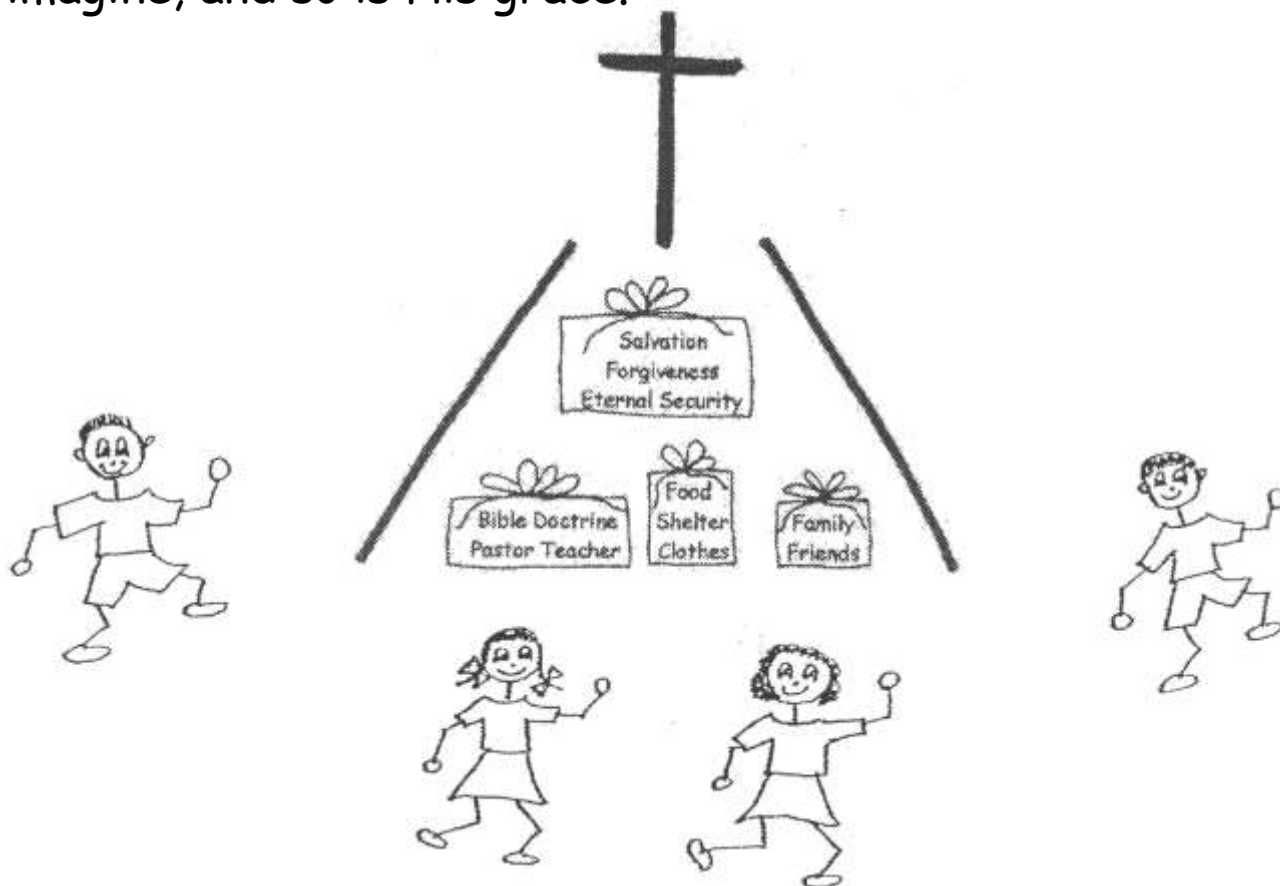
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And we certainly can't merit God's grace! We can't work for it. Remember, Jesus Christ did all the work on the cross that was necessary for us to receive God's grace. People just have to believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as their Savior. After salvation, they have to rest in the fact that God will always take care of their problems. It is important to learn God's thinking, Bible doctrine, believe it and use it! Then God will make sure we grow in His grace and knowledge. He'll get the merit or glory and we'll get the blessings!



John 10:28 And I give eternal life to them, and they will never perish; and no one will snatch them out of My hand.

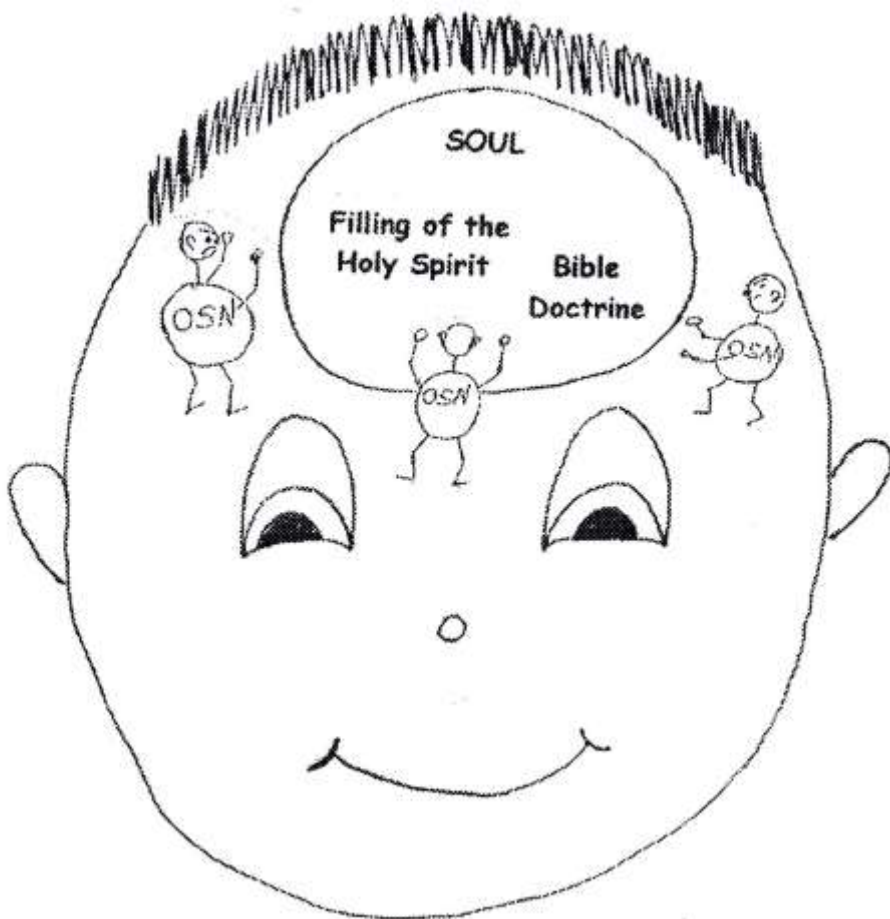
God has taken away three things that stop grace: human guilt, human obligation, and human merit. He is now free to pour out His grace gifts on whomever He wants. God doesn't want us to take back guilt, obligation and merit. He wants believers to receive an abundance of grace gifts! His purpose to show His grace is to show His never ending love. There are no limits to His grace and love! God's love is greater than we can even imagine, and so is His grace.



2 Peter 3:18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

We need to learn and understand how God treats us with grace and how we should treat others with grace. This is what we call grace orientation. We've been forgiven and then graced out by God! We receive His free, unmerited love and favor! With the filling of the Holy Spirit and Bible doctrine in our souls, we can live in God's grace, or live with grace orientation! We can be confident of God's care and protection for us!

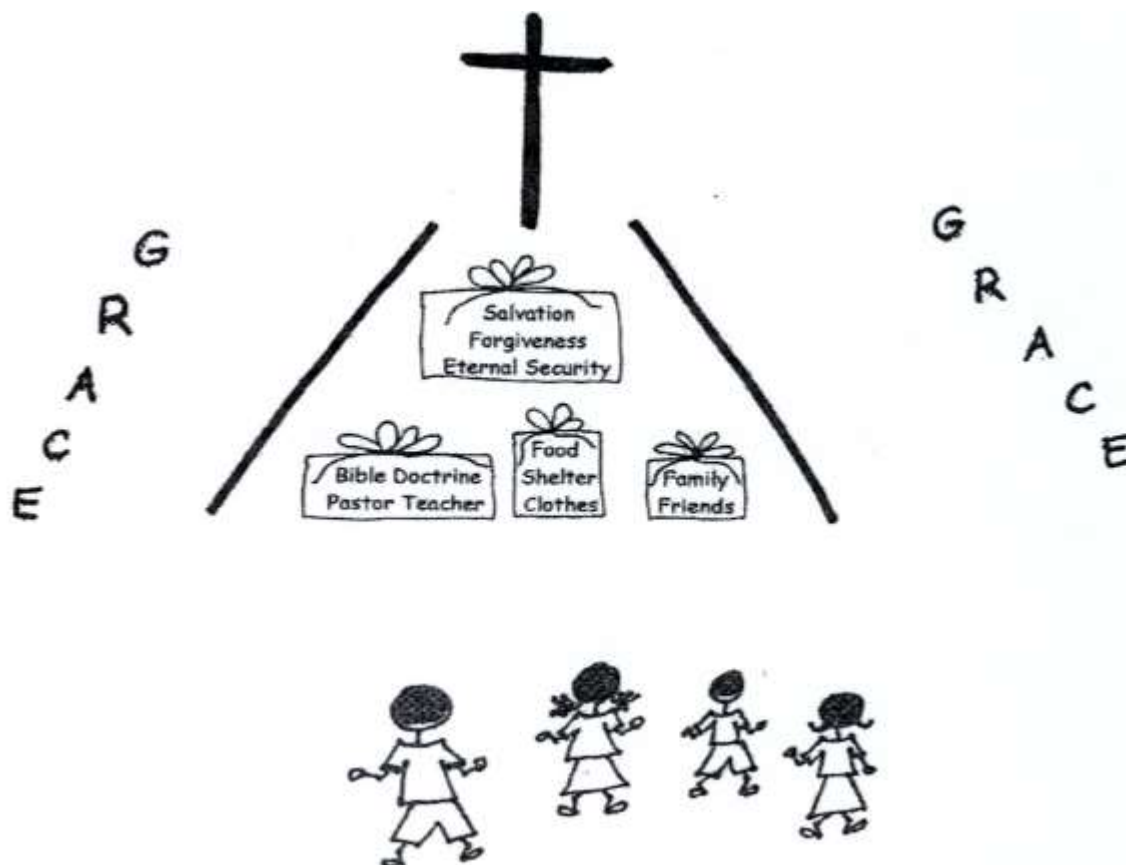
Draw near to Him! You will always receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.



Ephesians 3:20 Now to Him Who is able to do exceeding abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power [of the Holy Spirit] that works within us.

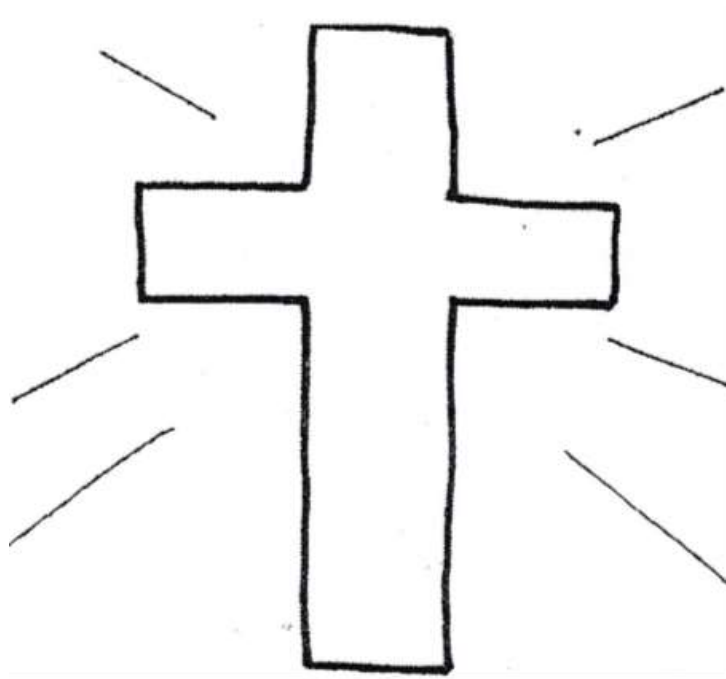
Points to Remember

1. God labeled all mankind as disobedient so He might have mercy upon all.
2. We are not to let human guilt stand in the way of God's grace!
3. We are not to feel obliged to God to pay back anything He gives us in grace.
4. We certainly can't merit God's grace!
5. God is now free to pour out His grace gifts on whomever He wants.
6. We need to learn and understand how God treats us with grace and how we should treat others with grace.



Questions for Discussion

1. What is grace?
2. Is there a limit to God's grace?
3. What is God's solution for sin?
4. What are some ways God shows His grace to us?
5. Why is guilt a bad thing?
6. Why is it wrong to think we have to pay God back for what He does for us?
7. Can we earn or work for salvation? Can we earn or work for any grace gifts?
8. How do we grow in God's grace and knowledge?
9. What is grace orientation?



My Word Search

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