

What Does the Bible Say About... **GOD'S GRACE** WEEK 8

Starter Question

What is a gift that you have received at some point in life that you knew you didn't deserve out could never afford? How did that make you feel?

READ MATTHEW EPHESIANS 1:3-6

1. THOSE THAT GOD SAVES

- "Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, justifies, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is the glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility." Matthew 24:24, Ephesians 1:3-6, John 6:44, 1 Peter 1:2, John 3:16, Matthew 23:37

2. THE ASSURANCE OF SALVATION

- Scripture is filled with the assurance that our salvation is secure.
- John 10:27-30, Romans 8:38-39, Philippians 1:6, John 3:16
- 5 Reasons People Doubt Their Salvation
- 1) People have little understanding how they are saved - Ephesians 2:8-9
- 2) People do not understand biblical perseverance - 1 John 2:19
- 3) People are ignorant of God's promises in His Word - 1 John 5:11-13
- 4) People are out of fellowship with God - Psalm 66:18, 1 John 2:1
- 5) People do not sense they are saved because they are not - 2 Cor. 13:5

3. HOW TO APPLY GOD'S GRACE IN OUR LIVES TODAY

1. Recognize that salvation is from God alone and that we must rely upon His Grace to be saved.
2. Resist the temptation of trying to know what we simply cannot know - **Isaiah 55:8-9, Ephesians 3:20**
3. Rest in the assurance that because He saves we cannot be un-saved.
4. Urgently and compassionately share this good news with others.

Further Discussion

1. Thinking about the message this past Sunday, what did you find most exciting? What do you have more questions about?
2. What are some reasons that it is vital for us to understand God's grace?
3. Have you ever struggled with you salvation? Why or why not?
4. What are some practical steps have peace about our salvation?
5. In applying God's grace to your life, which point(s) speak most to you?

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