

Future Grace Questions

Chapter 18 – “How to Trust Conditional Promises”

Grasping the Big Idea

1. Is there anything that stood out to you from this chapter? Any questions, observations, or encouragements?
2. From pages 231-232. Why does Piper say the phrase “conditional grace” initially sounds contradictory?
3. From page 232-234. Why does Piper insist we must clearly distinguish unconditional grace from conditional grace?
4. From pages 235-236. How does Piper explain the first condition of Romans 8:28—“loving God”?
 - a. From pages 236-237. How does Piper resolve the second condition—being “called according to His purpose”?

Challenged to Change

1. Are you tempted to treat God's promises as automatic, without attending to their conditions?
2. How can a deepening trust in future grace motivate your pursuit of holiness, rather than paralyze it?
3. What is one area where you're called to meet a condition (e.g., forgive, endure, obey) in dependence on God?

Praying for Change

Ask God to help you treasure His promises in full—both the gift and the path. Pray for faith that doesn't shrink back from obedience, but embraces it as the means of enjoying more of His grace.