

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20

Post Grad Group Agenda

Lesson 13 - Week of January 5th

1.	Mingling and catching up. (10 minutes)	:00 -	:10

2. Begin with a short prayer for your time together. (5 minutes) __:10 - __:15

3. Move to a time of accountability. (20 minutes) __:15 - __:35

i. Accountability Questions on your Emotional & Mental Health

☐ Did you bring your anxieties, fears, or struggles before the Lord?

☐ How have you cultivated joy and gratitude in Christ this week?

☐ Did you allow anger, bitterness, or despair to control you?

☐ Have you sought help if you are struggling?

☐ How have you trusted God's sovereignty during trials and encouraged others with hope?

ii. Homework

☐ Did you accomplish at least five devotionals this week?

☐ Did you read *Future Grace*, Chapter 12?

4. Lesson Time. (40-55 minutes)

_:35 - __:35 - __:30

i. Is there anything that stood out to you from this chapter? Any questions, observations, or encouragements?

ii. From pages 155-156, what is the difference between the old covenant and the new covenant? Answer: "The key differences are that (1) The Messiah, Jesus, has come and shed the blood of the covenant... so that henceforth he is the mediator of a new covenant, and all saving, covenant-keeping faith is conscious faith in him; (2) The old covenant has therefore become "obsolete" and does not govern the new covenant people of God...and (3) the promised new heart and the enabling power of the Holy Spirit has been given through faith."

iii. From pages 158-159. How does 1 John 5:1-5 show that obedience flows from faith in future grace?

Answer: (1) **New birth** creates faith. (2) Faith **overcomes** the world - including the worldly impulse to view God's commands as oppressive. (3) And This Spirit-given faith makes obedience **delightful**, not burdensome. Thus, the power to obey comes from trusting God's ongoing, future provision of grace.

- iv. From pages 162-165. How does Piper demonstrate from the rest of the New Testament that all obedience is "by faith in future grace"?
 - Answer: (1) Hebrews 11 shows OT saints obeying *by faith in promised future grace*. (2) Paul calls Christian obedience a **"work of faith"** (1 Thess 1:3; 2 Thess 1:11–12). (3) Love—the fulfillment of the law—comes **from faith** (Gal 5:6; 1 Tim 1:5). (4) James insists that **living** faith always produces works (James 2:14–26), and true faith asks God for needed grace without doubting (James 1:5–8).

Together these show that the Spirit-empowered life of obedience flows through the pipeline of **faith in future grace.**

- v. Are you trying to change your behavior without relying on the Spirit's internal work?
- vi. Where in your life are you settling for outward compliance rather than inward renewal?
- vii. How would trusting God to write His law on your heart change your pursuit of holiness?
- viii. In your group's prayer time, thank God for the new covenant promise: not only forgiveness, but transformation. Ask Him to continue His gracious work of reshaping your desires so that obedience flows from love, not pressure.
- 5. Prayer time (15 minutes) __:15 __:30 __:30 __:45
 - i. Ask for specific prayer requests from members.
 - ii. Pray for one another as you wish.
 - iii. Write down these prayer requests so you can follow up in the next meeting.

HOMEWORK

Week of January 12th, 2026

- ☐ Read Future Grace, Chapter 13 and answer the questions, which can be **found online**.
- ☐ Decide who will be facilitating next week. The agenda can be **found online**.
- ** Make sure you fill out the "Weekly Feedback Form" and the "Post Grad Group Facilitator Evaluation" at http://gracehamptons.org/postgrad