

Last Sunday, Pastor Kevin talked about how Christ reveals God's purpose to redeem a people from himself from every nation under heaven. This is a marvelous work of his grace! This week, let's consider some passages on the grace of God.



# MONDAY :: Read EPHESIANS 2:8-9

Grace is unmerited favor—getting what you don't deserve. In the Greek, "this" in v. 8 is a neuter pronoun, while "grace" and "faith" are feminine. Accordingly, "this" points to the whole process of "salvation by grace through faith" as being "God's gift" and not something we accomplish ourselves. How often do you praise God for the faith He's given to you as a gift of His grace?!

#### TUESDAY :: Read 2 CORINTHIANS 12:9-10

Paul says that God's grace "is sufficient" (in the present tense), underscoring the ever-present availability and sufficiency of God's grace for the needy believer. No matter how critical your circumstances may be, God's grace is abundantly available to you in that moment!

### WEDNESDAY :: Read HEBREWS 4:15-16

In their temptations, Christians can be comforted with the truth that nothing that entices them is foreign to their Lord. **Don't give in to temptation**. It's never worth it and will never satisfy. Run to Jesus—to the throne of grace—He is ready and willing to help you and give you strength!

## THURSDAY :: Read JOHN 1:16-17

According to John, God's covenant faithfulness found ultimate expression in the sending of His one-of-a-kind Son, Jesus Christ. The contrast is not that the Mosaic law was bad and Jesus is good. Rather, both the giving of the law and the coming of Jesus Christ mark decisive events in the history of salvation. The Bible tells the unified story of God's saving work in Christ Jesus. Do you read all its parts with that in mind?

#### FRIDAY :: Read JAMES 4:6

God's grace will be extended to those who are humble before him.
"God opposes" means He resists and sends judgment, for the proud have chosen the praise and the methods of the world and are acting as God's enemies. Faithful followers of Jesus, like Him, continually make themselves low, counting others as more significant than themselves, and refuse to insist on their own way.

## SATURDAY :: Read 1 CORINTHIANS 15:10

Paul considered his conversion from "persecutor" to "apostle to the Gentiles" to be a free and wholly undeserved gift of God. *Do you view your salvation the same way?* 

## SUNDAY :: Read COLOSSIANS 1:20-23

This is one of the texts for today's message.  $\,$ 

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