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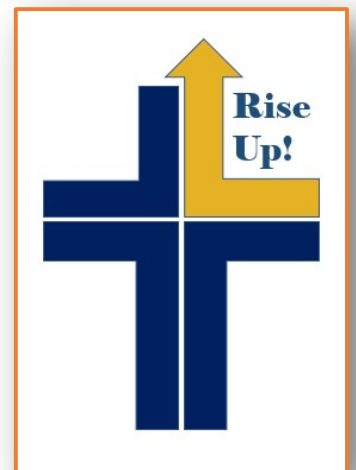
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Wonderful Grace of Jesus #198

"You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ" 2 Cor. 8:9

Haldor Lillenas

Wonderful grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin
How shall my tongue describe it, where shall its praise begin?
Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me!

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain, all-sufficient grace for even me!
Broader than the scope of my transgressions, greater far than all my sin and shame
Oh, magnify the precious Name of Jesus, praise His Name!

Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching to all the lost
By it I have been pardoned, saved to the uttermost
Chains have been torn asunder, giving me liberty
For the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me!

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain, all-sufficient grace for even me!
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Wonderful grace of Jesus, reaching the most defiled
By its transforming power, making him God's dear child
Purchasing peace and heaven, for all eternity
And the wonderful grace of Jesus reaches me.

Wonderful the matchless grace of Jesus, deeper than the mighty rolling sea
Higher than the mountain, sparkling like a fountain, all-sufficient grace for even me!
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This Is Amazing Grace

"...Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" Rev 5:12

Josh Farro, Jeremy Riddle, Phil Wickham

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much
stronger?

The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who shakes the whole earth with holy
thunder

And leaves us breathless in awe and
wonder?

The King of Glory, the King above all kings

This is amazing grace; This is unfailing love

That You would take my place

That You would bear my cross

You laid down Your life

That I would be set free

Oh, Jesus, I sing for

All that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order?

Who makes the orphan a son and
daughter?

The King of Glory, the King above all kings

Who rules the nations with truth and
justice

Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?

The King of Glory, the King above all kings

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That I would be set free

Oh, Jesus, I sing for

All that You've done for me

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain

Worthy is the King who conquered the
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1 Corinthians 15:1-11— English Standard Version (ESV)

¹ Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Amazing Love

“But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace you have been saved” Eph. 2:4

Billy James Foote

I'm forgiven because You were
forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again

I'm forgiven because You were
forsaken
I'm accepted, You were condemned
I'm alive and well
Your spirit is within me
Because You died and rose again

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You

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Because You died and rose again

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You

You are my King
You are my King
Jesus, You are my King
You are my King

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You, my King would die for me?
Amazing love, I know it's true
It's my joy to honor You
In all I do, I honor You
In all I do, let me honor You

Because He Lives #213

"Because I live, you also will live" John 14:19

Gloria and William Gaither

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives

How sweet to hold a newborn baby
And feel the pride and joy he gives
But greater still the calm assurance
This child can face uncertain days because He lives

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives

And then one day I'll cross the river
I'll fight life's final war with pain
And then, as death gives way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He reigns

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow
Because He lives, all fear is gone
Because I know He holds the future
And life is worth the living, just because He lives

Offering: O Praise the Name (Anastasis)

"...That Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures' 1 Cor. 15:3-4

Benjamin Hastings, Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God
Oh Lord oh Lord our God



We were buried
therefore with him by
baptism into death,
in order that, just as
Christ was raised
from the dead by the
glory of the Father,
we too might walk in
newness of life.
(Romans 6:4, ESV)



1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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[3] For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, [4] that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, (ESV)



1 Corinthians 15:5–11

[5] and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. [6] Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. [7] Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. [8] Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. [9] For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. [10] But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. [11] Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed. (ESV)



[1] Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you...

Paul provides a crucial “reminder” of the gospel. He summarized this gospel in Romans 1:1-4 and will do so again in the following verses. Notice in Romans how Paul describes the **content** and the **calling** of the gospel. Key elements of the gospel are that it was a promised word (in the OT) about how Christ is fully man (“descended from David”) and fully God (“Son of God”), rose from the dead, and is now Lord over the church.

[1] Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, [2] which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, [3] concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh [4] and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, (ESV)



[1] Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, [2] and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

In 1 Cor. 15, Paul also points to the responses to the gospel message: **preached, received, and stand**. The gospel is good news to be shared. It is also a set of promises to be believed. The gospel is our hope in a day of judgment. Paul also points to the results of the gospel: to **be saved** by true faith. The gospel of Jesus can save us from all sin.

However, Paul’s reminder also includes a warning about not leaving the gospel. How do we leave the gospel? 1) Abandoning it altogether; 2) Mixing it with other ideas; 3) Resisting gospel transformation.



[3] For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, [4] that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, (ESV)

Paul's summary of the gospel focuses on Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection. Moreover, Paul does not just point to these as historical events but also makes some theological points as well. Jesus' death was for our sins. His death was also in accordance with promises of the OT. Paul's summary matches closely with Jesus' summary of the gospel found in Luke 24.



Luke 24:45–47

[45] Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, [46] and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, [47] and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

We can see a similar summary in Matthew 16.

Matthew 16:21

[21] From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised.



[5] and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. [6] Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. [7] Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

Jesus' resurrection could be verified by many people who saw Him after the resurrection. However, Paul's point (and that of the Gospels) is not just a historical one, but that Jesus' appearance was to His disciples to assure their faith in Him and God's purposes. Remember Jesus' interactions with Thomas, the apostle, in John 20:19-29 was to strengthen his faith.



John 20:24–29

[24] Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. [25] So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

[26] Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." [27] Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." [28] Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" [29] Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." (ESV)



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Paul's testimony is that he did not deserve the calling of the gospel. He saw himself as unworthy preacher of the gospel and an unworthy recipient of the gospel. How can we explain it when God allows unworthy sinners to believe in the gospel and unworthy sinners to share the gospel? ... God's grace.



How do these biblical truths cause us to Rise Up?

1) Have you considered both the content and calling of the gospel?

Jesus' life, death, and resurrection was promised throughout the OT and in the Gospels. He did just as God's plan promised. Furthermore, just as we see in Mt 16, His death and resurrection calls us not only to believe that those things happened, but also that we should respond by "dying daily" ourselves.

2) What are some challenges in your life that are causing you to have "on-and-off-again faith of your heart"*?

Paul warned the Corinthians that need to stand in their faith and Thomas wavered in his faith. What are some things in your life right now that are causing moments or even a season of doubt, either in God's goodness or God's power?

3) How does God's work in the past (in the gospel) give us hope for the future and the present?

How does Christ's resurrection stir your hope in God's work? Christ's resurrection is a demonstration of God's awesome power (over death) and of His great love for us.

* Wording from Paul David Tripp's *New Morning Mercies*

Shout to the North

"LORD Almighty, the God of Israel, enthroned between the cherubim, You alone are God over all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth" Is. 37:16

Martin Smith

Men of faith, rise up and sing
Of the great and glorious King
You are strong when you feel weak
In your brokenness complete

Shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Rise up women of the truth
Stand and sing to broken hearts
Who can know the healing power
Of our awesome King of love

Shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

We will shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

We've been through fire, we've been
through rain
We've been refined by the power of His
name

We've fallen deeper in love with You
You've burned the truth on our lips

Shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

We will shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

Rise up church with broken wings
Fill this place with songs again
Of our God who reigns on high
By His grace again we'll fly

Shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
Jesus is Savior to all
Lord of heaven and earth

We will shout to the North and the South
Sing to the East and the West
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Lord of heaven and earth

The Word of God and Its Clear Plan of Salvation

Man is desperately needy because of his sin.

"For there is not a just man upon earth; that doeth good, and sinneth not." Ecclesiastes 7:20

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" Romans 3:23

Sin separates you from God - and has a penalty.

"For the wages of sin is death;" Romans 6:23a

"And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." Revelation 20:15

God is righteous and holy, and his Son, Jesus is the deliverer of sinful man.

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved. He that believeth on Him is not condemned; but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:16,17,18

You can have (accept the gift of) eternal life.

"But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23b

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10:13

You must acknowledge your sin and your need of the Savior.

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. Romans 10:9-10

You must humbly repent (*change your mind about your sinful direction*) and pray to God, agreeing with Him that you are sinner and that His Son, Jesus, died on the cross, in your place, for your sins. You must simply believe that Jesus was buried and rose again to grant you forgiveness and declare you righteous. You can invite Him to take control of your life and depend solely on Him to save your soul from hell. If you ask Him in simple faith to save you, He will. If you need help or would like to let us know of your decision, contact us at grandheights.org or 937-718-0533.