

God's Marvelous Grace

John 1:6-17

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One of the most amazing _____ found in the Bible is that of God's grace. It is in _____ to the depravity of man and is in _____ to his most important need – salvation from sin. Grace is multi-faceted and closely linked to mercy and _____.

A. Defining Grace

1. "Hen" in the Old Testament Hebrew

- Unmerited _____ of a superior to an inferior
- Usually _____ in temporal blessings, but also spiritual blessings (deliverance in _____ physical and spiritual senses); Exodus 33:19; Jeremiah 31:2
- Associated with "*hesed*" - _____

2. "Charis" in the New Testament in Greek

- It was used of that which _____ attractiveness (of appearance or speech).
- It was used of a favorable regard felt toward a _____.
- It was used of a _____.
- It was used to mean _____.

3. It describes the essential _____ of God.

- It tells us what _____ of God He is.
- He is _____ favorable in His disposition and actions.
- His mercy flows out from Him to meet man's _____.

B. Grace Revealed in the Scriptures

1. In the Old Testament

- God postponed _____ upon Adam (Gen. 2:17).

- One would come to _____ the tempter's head (Gen. 3:15).
- God continued Adam as _____ of the human race, even though he had sinned (Gen. 3:16).
- God provided _____ for Adam (Gen. 3:19).
- God provided a _____ for Adam's sin (Gen. 3:21).
- God provided the _____ into His presence (Gen. 3:24)
- Abel's _____ in Genesis 4:4.
- Abraham
- David

2. In the New Testament

- God has _____ His grace (Titus 2:11; Romans 5:15, 17)
- His grace is seen in the _____. He has provided (Romans 3:24; Ephesians 2:5-8).
- Grace also refers to the _____ (atmosphere) of the believer (Romans 5:2; 6:14).
- This grace is absolutely _____ (Romans 5:15-18; 6:14; Ephesians 1:7; 2:8-9).
- Grace is the _____ principle for believers.
 - The law pointed out God's _____.
 - Grace sets our standard as the _____ of Christ.
 - It equips, strengthens, and controls all _____ of the believer's life (2 Corinthians 8:6-7; Col. 4:6; 2 Thessalonians 2:16; 2 Timothy 2:1).
- Christians are compelled to give _____ to God for His unspeakable gift (2 Corinthians 9:15).