Nine Things Every Human Needs

To Know About Grace!

Romans 1:1-7

Let's talk about the life line Source of our New Testament!

Grace – OT – 2580 – chen – favor – Genesis 6:8 "Noah found favor in the eyes of the LORD."

Grace – NT – 485 – charis – from 5403 Palm country... divine favor/God's favorite, hence divine blessings.

- Luke 2: 40 "and the Grace of God was upon Him" (Jesus)
- John 1: 14 *"And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, and we beheld his glory, the glory of the only begotten of the father, full of grace and truth."*

John 1: 17 "For the law was given by Moses but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ"

Let's discover some truths about Grace:

- Grace existed in the heart of God in the Old Testament but was limited to a few choice people, but <u>Jesus brought Grace to the earth and made it available to all who would</u> <u>be</u> so fortunate as to receive it. Jesus came to deliver it to those who come to Him.
- 2. <u>Grace is a free Gift</u> Ephesians 2: 8 For by Grace are you saved through faith... It is free and it is what does the saving! "For by Grace are you saved" The Blood Cleanses you but Grace Saves you!
- Grace cannot be bought by anyone but Jesus! It is free to those who can find it! Ephesians 2: 8
- 4. <u>Grace can be seen!</u> Acts 11: 23 The new believers at Antioch were recognized by the grace that was upon them... "...when he (Barnabas) came, and had seen the grace of God, (he) was glad, and exhorted them all,..."
- **5.** <u>Grace can be measured!</u> Acts 4: 33 "And with great power the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all."

- 6. We know we get a certain amount of Grace at Salvation because Grace is the delivery vehicle that brings us salvation, but <u>Grace can become more abundant in certain</u>
 <u>people's lives</u>. James 4: 6 tells us that if we want more grace we must live in Humility. *"but he giveth more grace, wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud but giveth grace unto the humble."*
- 7. Danger!!! <u>Grace can be resisted!</u> God will not force His Grace upon anyone. Every man has a measure of faith but Grace can be resisted. Hebrews 12: 15 *Looking diligently, lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest a root of bitterness spring up and many thereby be defiled."*
- 8. Danger!!! Grace can be abused! Jude 1: 4 Ungodly men will creep into the Church and deny the LORDSHIP of GOD and JESUS and in doing so turn God's Grace into Lasciviousness (Extreme evil) thoughts that proceed from a wicked heart. Mark 7: 22

This is what Paul continues to warn against when he says "Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound, God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? Romans 5: 21 - 6: 7

Grace is a wonderful gift from God delivered to us by the bloody sacrifice of Jesus and is not to be abused. Romans 6: 12-15 *"Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lust therefore. Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace (God's Favor). What then? Shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid (let it not be). Know ye not that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are..."*

9. Once the Church age is over, Grace will not be involved with mankind until the Judgment is over. Revelation 1: 4 and Revelation 22: 21 <u>Grace is for now! Once the Church age is over, Grace on earth is over!!!</u>