

## **The Grace of God** **Titus 2:11-14**

### **Introduction**

- A. This Is One of the Clearest Passages in the Scriptures on the Grace of God and It's Results
- B. We Understand Grace to Be Unmerited Favor, and That for the Eternal Good of Man

1. GRACE - God's Riches At Christ's Expense

- C. We Know That Man Did Not Deserve It; Nor Could He Make Any Legal Claim to It
- D. Yet We Know it Is the Sum and Substance of the Very Gospel Story
- E. There Comes from this Text Three Wonderful Thoughts Concerning the Grace of God

### **I. Saved by Grace**

- A. Jesus Brought Salvation to Man - **Matthew 1:21 - Luke 19:10 - Romans 3:23 - Romans 6:23**
  - 1. The Word Grace Stands for The Gospel Story - **Ephesians 3:2**
  - 2. All Men Are the Subjects of the Gospel - **Mark 16:15 - Romans 16:25-26**
- B. This Does Not Speak of a Universal Salvation
  - 1. This Message must Be Believed and Obeyed
  - 2. Rejection and Unbelief Brings Damnation - **Mark 16:16 - 2 Thessalonians 1:7-9**
- C. Man Has Always Had to Act to Appropriate the Grace of God - The Second Prong of Salvation
  - 1. Noah
  - 2. Abraham
  - 3. Paul
  - 4. Surely, We Are Cleansed by the Blood of Christ - **Ephesians 1:7 - Revelation 1:5**
  - 5. But, Salvation Is Conditional - **Romans 6:16-18 - Hebrews 5:8-9**

### **II. Taught by Grace**

- A. It Teaches Us about Things We Need to Give Up
  - 1. Ungodliness - Anything That Is Not to God's Glory - **1 Corinthians 10:31**
  - 2. Worldly Lust - **James 4:4**
- B. It Teaches Us about Things We Need to Take Up
  - 1. Soberly - Sensibly - This Pertains to Our Relationship to Self - **Colossians 3:5-10**
  - 2. Righteously - This Pertains to Our Relationship to Our Neighbors - **Romans 12:17-21**
  - 3. Godly - This Pertains to Our Relationship to God - **Colossians 3:15-17 - Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 - Acts 10:34-35**
- C. It Teaches Us What to do In this Present World
  - 1. Our Conversation - Speech Determines the Tone of Our Temperament
  - 2. Our Desires - The Springs of All We Nearly Do in Life
  - 3. Our Work - The Things We Do but of Duty and Necessity
  - 4. Our Recreation - Even to the Areas of Pleasure and Relaxation

### **III. Encouraged by Grace**

- A. Grace Causes Us to Look for the Second Coming of Jesus - **John 14:1-3 - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 - 1 John 3:1-3 - Hebrews 9:28**
  - 1. This Is the Preeminent Hope of the Scriptures. As in the Old, They Were Looking for the "Hope of Israel" - Now We Look for Him Again
  - 2. It Is a Blessed Hope Because of What Comes with It

3. Thus, it Becomes Motive for Living a Pure Life

B. Grace Causes Us to Be a Peculiar People

1. This Word Peculiar Does Not Mean Eccentric; but Purchased
2. Therefore, We Are to Act as Those Who Belong to Another

C. It Will Cause Us to Be Eager to Do Good Works - [James 1:27](#) - [Galatians 6:9-10](#)

### **Conclusion**

A. Indeed, this Is One of the Clearest Passages in the Word of God Regarding the Grace of God and It's Results

B. As Job of Old We Proclaim in [Job 10:12](#)

C. We Have Not Even Come Close to Exhausting this Subject

D. Invitation