

The Godly Man as a Disciple *God's Provision For A Disciple*

Men and women come to Jesus Christ and receive eternal life by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8-9). It is also through this rich provision of grace that Christian disciples live their daily lives. Grace has been defined as “the unmerited favor of God” and has been illustrated in this way:

*God's
Riches
At
Christ's
Expense*



The source of God's provision is His grace.

Grace is God doing for us what we in no way deserve! Mercy is God not doing to us what we so richly deserve.

1. Why did Paul say he was the man he was? I Corinthians 15:10
2. To whom will God be gracious? Exodus 33:19
3. Why did God choose Israel as His special people? Deuteronomy 7:7-8
4. If we try to earn God's favor in any way, what does this do to His grace? Galatians 2:21

The channel of grace.

5. How do we receive the grace of God? John 1:17
6. According to Romans 3:24, we are justified (declared “not guilty” and made right with God) by through
7. What is another result of the grace of God? Ephesians 2:7
8. Ephesians 2:8 teaches us that we are saved through and that it is the of God.
9. The grace of God comes to those who believe through Jesus Christ. According to the following scriptures, what good things come to us through Jesus Christ?



- Colossians 2:9-10
- Ephesians 1:3
- 1 Corinthians 1:30
- I Corinthians 1:4-5
- Philippians 4:13

How God’s Grace is Bestowed (The means of grace)

10. Our access to the grace of God as given through Jesus Christ is by Romans 5:1-2.

11. What are the three time elements in regard to our faith? II Corinthians 1:10

Romans 5:9-10 teaches that we have been saved. from the penalty of sin (past), are being delivered from the power of sin (present) and will ultimately be freed from the presence of sin (future). Past FAITH is that which we exercised when we received Jesus Christ. Future FAITH is the looking forward to being with Him in heaven. Present FAITH is believing and trusting Him for each day's problems now.

12. Colossians 2:6 says we should walk in the same way we received Christ. We received Him (became children of God) by (Galatians 3:26) (Romans 1:17)

Colossians 2:6 in the Living Bible says “and now just as you trusted Christ to save you trust Him too for each day's problems; live in vital union with Him.”



13. Self effort is the opposite of faith. What area of your life are you still trying to handle by your own effort and worry, instead of trustinging Jesus Christ?

14. What will you do this coming week to bring faith into operation in this area, so that you may experience the grace of God? (Express it in personal terms using the pronoun me, my, and mine)

The Results of Grace in Our Lives

15. What is God's will for every born-again believer?
 Romans 8:29
 Ephesians 4:13
 16. What are we commanded to do? II Peter 3:18



Preview of Future Sessions

Much of the balance of this study booklet will deal with the “how to” of growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus and becoming more and more like Him. You are embarking on the world's most exciting adventure!



17. As we grow in discipleship, certain things will begin to be true of our lives. List some of them:

- John 13:34-35

 John 8:31

 John 15:8

 Acts 6:7

18. Which of these areas do you feel you need the most help in at this time?

 19. What will you do this next week to allow God to minister His grace to you in this area?
 (Be specific - don't deal in generalities)

Suggestions for Further Study

Tape 1272AB - Grace of God, Gene Warr

The Attributes of God by Arthur W. Pink, Reiner Publications.

The Saving Life of Christ by Major W. Ian Thomas, Zondervan Publishing House.