

LESSON 2

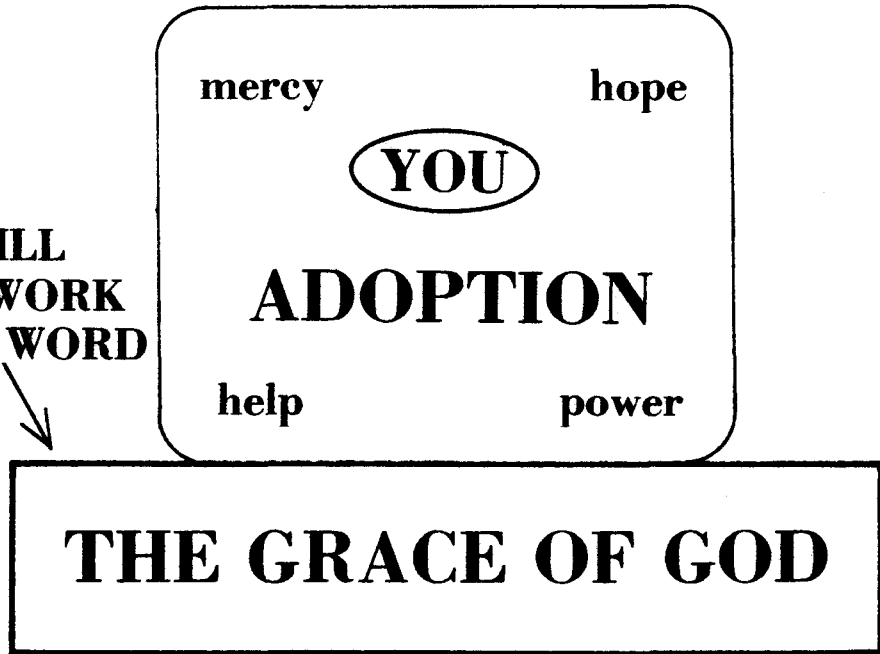
THE GRACE OF GOD
IN ITS
BASIS AND CONTEXT IN PRACTICE

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GOD

**HIS WILL
HIS WORK
HIS WORD**



**The Glory
of God**

Introduction

- A. Explanation of the Topic: While the Grace of God is a free gift to all believers it does not follow that the benefits of grace are automatically manifested. The Christian does not earn the Grace of God but it is necessary to live in harmony with the character and purpose of grace. When the believer learns to do this then the power and benefits of the Grace of God grow and permeate all facets of the daily life.
- B. Question: What must we do to have the power of God's grace in our daily experience?

I. The Basis of the Grace of God in Practice.

- A. Through the Person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ, the believer has "access" into the Grace of God. He has a "standing" in grace or is in a "state of grace." Romans 5:2; I Peter 5:12
- B. This "standing" in grace is described in the Bible as the truth of divine adoption or the believer's union with Jesus Christ.
 - 1. The origin of our adoption, Ephesians 1:5.
 - 2. The basis of our adoption, Galatians 4:4-6.
 - 3. The fact of our adoption, I John 3:1,2.
 - 4. The confirmation of our adoption, John 1:12.
 - 5. The assurance of our adoption, Romans 8:15,16.
 - 6. The anticipation of our adoption, Romans 8:23.
- C. The Scripture is filled with reminders that the Grace of God in adoption is followed by many rights and privileges.
 - 1. The truth stated and explained, I Corinthians 2:12.

2. The truth illustrated.

a. Many benefits of grace are described as "for us."

- 1). Romans 8:26 -- intercession for us.
- 2). Romans 8:31-39 -- God is for us.
- 3). I Cor. 5:7 -- Jesus Christ was sacrificed for us.
- 4). II Cor. 4:17 -- affliction works for us.
- 5). Gal. 3:13 -- Jesus Christ was made a curse for us.
- 6). Eph. 1:19 -- God's power is to us-ward.
- 7). Hebrews 9:24 -- Jesus Christ's presence in heaven is for us.
- 8). Hebrews 10:20 -- The new and living way is for us.

b. Many benefits of grace are "to" or "unto us."

- 1). Romans 5:5 -- The Holy Spirit is given unto us.
- 2). I Cor. 1:18 -- The preaching is the power of God unto us.
- 3). I Cor. 1:30 -- Jesus Christ is made unto us all we need.
- 4). I Cor. 2:10 -- God's illumination is given unto us.
- 5). II Cor. 5:19 -- The ministry of reconciliation is given unto us.
- 6). II Peter 1:3 -- God's power has given unto us all things.
- 7). I John 4:10 -- The Holy Spirit of assurance is given unto us.

II. The Context of the Grace of God in Practice.

- A. John 1:14, 16, 17 -- The Lordship of Jesus Christ and the practice of the truth accompany the Grace of God.**
- B. Romans 12:6 -- Divine enablement accompanies the Grace of God.**
- C. II Corinthians 4:15 -- The glory of God accompanies the Grace of God.**
- D. II Corinthians 6:1 -- Responsibility accompanies the Grace of God.**
- E. Ephesians 3:7, 8 -- Power to witness accompanies the Grace of God.**
- F. I Timothy 1:14 -- Faith and love accompany the Grace of God.**
- G. Hebrews 4:16 -- Mercy and help accompany the Grace of God.**

Conclusion: Now let us answer the question: What must we do to have the power of God's grace in our daily experience?

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