

LESSON 9

THE GRACE OF GOD  
AND THE  
FELLOWSHIP OF SAINTS

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**PROVISION**

**Truth  
Grace**

**Grace  
from  
Others**

**PRACTICE**

**Faith  
and  
Love**

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**PRODUCT**

**Truth, Grace  
and Power  
in Daily  
Experience**

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**PROVISION**

- Admonish (Rom. 15: 14)
- Comfort (II Cor. 1: 3, 4)
- Bring Life (II Cor. 3: 6)
- Edify (I Cor. 14: 1, 3, 12, 24)
- Share Love (Eph. 3: 17-19)

## Introduction

- A. God's love is manifested in action. In the coming of Jesus Christ into the world and in His redemptive deeds as our Representative, God has not only displayed His love but provided grace to meet the need of every believer.
- B. The simple key to receive the Grace of God is -- practice the truth. This is what the sinner does when he repents, believes and receives Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. This is what the believer does when he puts the Bible into practice by the obedience of faith and love.
- C. God, in His mercy, has designated certain channels of grace. He has provided His Word, the practice of prayer, the church with its leadership and ordinance and also the fellowship of saints as such channels.

### I. The Biblical Basis for This Lesson.

The believer, in his salvation, has not only been united to Jesus Christ but also related to all other believers, I Cor. 12:12-14. Through this act of redemptive power God has made it possible for every believer to respond to Himself in faith and love and thereby receive divine grace. He has also, by this act, made it possible for believers to minister and to receive grace with one another. All believers, as united in the Body of Jesus Christ, are dependent not only on Jesus Christ the Head -- but upon other members of the body.

Acts 4:32,33 --

Romans 12:6-16 --

II Corinthians 9:8-15 --

Ephesians 4:7,16 --

II. The Biblical Explanation of This Lesson.

John 13:34, 35 --

Romans 14:1-19 --

Romans 15:1-3 --

I Corinthians 12:7, 25, 26 --

I Corinthians 14:1, 3, 12 --

II Corinthians 1:2, 3 --

Galatians 6:2 --

Philippians 2:1-16 --

I Thessalonians 5:11 --

Hebrews 3:13 --

Hebrews 10:24, 25 --

James 5:16 --

I John 3:16-18 --

**III. The Biblical Description of the Christian as Related to This Lesson.**

**A. The believer is described as a light, Matthew 5:14.**

**B. The believer is described as salt, Matthew 5:13.**

**C. The believer is described as a river of living water, John 7:37-39.**

**D. The believer is described as a fruitbearing branch, John 15:5,16.**

**E. The believer is described as a member of a body, I Corinthians 12:12-27.**

**F. The believer is described as a lightbearer, Philippians 2:15.**

**G. The believer is described as a priest, I Peter 2:5,9; Revelation 1:5,6.**