### Grace Series 1 of 3 Understanding Grace

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# dictionary definition of Grace

**Grace** - (in Christian belief) the free and unmerited favor of God, as manifested in the salvation of sinners and the bestowal of blessings.

## Favor

Noun - approval, support, or liking for someone or something. Verb - feel or show approval or preference for.

Conditional favor or approval is based on our performance. This is the way of the world and we are steeped in this way of thinking that carries over into our relationship with God. Am I living up to the expectations of others?

#### Access to Grace through Faith Romans 5: 1-2

- Access is by Faith Why by Faith?
  - Romans 4:16
- Through Our Lord Jesus Christ

In Christ Ephesians 1: 3-7

## God Demonstrated His Love for Us Romans 5: 6-8

- He didn't die for the one that deserved it
- Who does that?

# Justified By His Blood

Romans 5: 9-11

- God Himself shed His Blood for us
- How Much More

Freedom and Confidence Ephesians 3: 12

Receiving Power Ephesians 3: 14-19

Dare to Believe for Great Things Ephesians 3: 20-21