



Attributes of the Almighty

“His Almighty Grace” Ephesians 2:8-10

INTRODUCTION: Grace, by its very nature, flows downward. Grace is God acting in favor toward those that deserve His wrath. Grace flows from God in attitude and action. This truth was never more evident than when God became man.

John 1:14, “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”

John 1:17, “For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.”

I. THE GRACE OF GOD PARDONS US

A. WE ARE PARDONED FROM SIN’S PENALTY (EPHESIANS 2:8)

Romans 3:24, “Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:”

Romans 11:6, “And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.”

Titus 3:5-7, “⁵ Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; ⁶ Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; ⁷ That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.”

B. WE ARE PREPARED FOR SERVICE (EPHESIANS 2:10)

II Peter 3:18, “But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.”

Titus 3:8, “This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.”

Galatians 5:13, “For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.”

Romans 12:1, “I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.”

II. THE GRACE OF GOD PURIFIES US

A. GOD’S GRACE PURIFIES OUR MOTIVES

Romans 5:21–6:2, “²¹ That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord. ¹ What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? ² God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?”

Grace is not a license to sin; it is a purification process in our hearts.

Titus 2:11-12, “¹¹ For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, ¹² Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;”

A real understanding of grace frees us from sinful motives and will liberate us to a life of service for the Lord.

Romans 6:7, “For he that is dead is freed from sin.”

When God, by His grace, is growing you into the image of Christ, you will not live a life that denies the truth; you will live a life that reflects the truth.

B. GOD’S GRACE PURIFIES OUR MINISTRY

Titus 2:14, “Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.”

III. THE GRACE OF GOD PRESERVES US

A. WE ARE PRESERVED THROUGH PAIN

Grace creates a peaceful inner disposition within a Christian through difficult times.

II Corinthians 12:7-9, “⁷ And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure. ⁸ For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. ⁹ And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.”

God is not attracted to our strengths; He is attracted to our weaknesses.

“I am afraid, that all of the grace that I have gotten out of my comfortable and easy times might lie on a penny, but the good that I have received of my sorrows and pains cannot be measured. Affliction is the best book in my library.” – Spurgeon

If you are going through a time of trial and pain, learn what God wants to teach you, receive the inner strength of His Holy Spirit, and let His grace preserve you.

I Peter 5:10, “But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.”

B. WE ARE PRESERVED BY PRAYER

Hebrews 4:16, “Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.”