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I. Saved By Grace THROUGH Faith

- A. Eph. 2:8-9 – You are not saved by grace alone. You are not saved by faith alone. You are saved by believing (faith) in what God through Jesus Christ has provided for us on the cross (grace). Rom. 5:1-2
- B. Titus 2:11; 1 Jn. 2:2 – Even though God’s grace has been freely made available to all people, not all people are saved because not all people will believe. Mt. 7:13-14
- C. What is Grace?
- Grace cannot be earned or it is not grace. Rom. 11:6
 - Grace is something God did for you independent of you. Rom. 5:8
 - God’s grace made the provision for your salvation before you were born, before you could do anything to deserve it.
 - God’s grace is consistent and constant towards everyone.
 - God’s grace includes everything that Jesus did for us in the “atonement”. (2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pt. 2:24; 2 Cor. 8:9; Gal. 1:4)
 - You must respond to God’s grace with faith for it to manifest in your life. Only unbelief can stop grace from working. Heb. 4:2
- D. What is Faith?
- Faith is NOT what you do to get God to respond or move on your behalf (fast, pray, confess, etc.) We can’t make God do anything! Faith doesn’t move God; He’s not stuck!
 - Faith IS our positive response to what God has already done on our behalf. Acts 14:7-10
 - Faith CANNOT bring to pass something that God hasn’t provided. Faith can ONLY receive what God has already provided by His grace.

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II. How Does Grace Through Faith Work?

- A. Believe that God has already provided everything you need.
Eph. 1:3,11; 2 Pt. 1:2-3; 1 Ki. 17:2-6; Eph. 2:10

- B. Acknowledge what God has given you
Philemon 1:6; Rom. 8:11

- C. Use what you have received by Faith
Mt. 10:1,7-8; Acts 3:4-8; 2 Pt. 1:1