

God's Good Grace

Scripture: I Pet. 4:10-19

Intro: God is never short in any area in which your need may extend, but we many times are short in our reach and faith to avail ourselves of His provisions. (Heb. 4:15-16; II Cor. 12:9)

1. Stewards of mysteries of God. (I Cor. 4:1)
2. Stewards of manifold grace of God. (I Pet. 4:10)

God doesn't define grace. He demonstrates and manifests it.

I. Grace Traded. (Jn. 1:16)

- A. Provisions for two classes. (Tit. 2:11; Heb. 2:9)
 1. For sinners. (Eph. 2:8-9; II Cor. 8:9; Rom. 3:24)
 2. For saints. (I Pet. 5:10; II Cor. 9:8)
- B. Promise for Christians. (Jn. 1:16; II Cor. 12:9)
 1. Promise to be something. (I Cor. 15:10)
 2. Promise to do something. (Gal. 1:15-16; I Cor. 3:10)
 - a. Humility required. (James 4:6; I Pet. 5:5-6)
 - b. Help acquired. (Heb. 4:15-16; II Tim. 2:1)
 1. Grace to live. To die. To Be.
 2. Grace to serve. To study. To Do. (II Cor. 12:9)

II. Grace Taken. (II Cor. 6:1; I Cor. 15:10)

- A. Daily portion of grace. (Heb. 13:9; Phil. 1:7)
 1. Choice of carnal. (I Cor. 3:1-3; Heb. 10:29)
 - a. No use for it. (II Cor. 6:1; Eph. 4:29)
 - b. Abuse of it. (Heb. 12:15; 3:12-13)
 - c. Misuse of it. (Rom. 12:3)
 2. Choice of spiritual. (I Cor. 15:10)
- B. Daily position in grace. (I Pet. 3:7)
 1. Grow in grace. (II Pet. 3:18; Acts 4:33)
 2. Glow in grace. (Eph. 4:7; Rom. 12:3)
 3. Go by grace. (I Cor. 3:10; 15:10; Heb. 12:28)

Grace to:

- Stand. (II Tim. 2:1)
- Serve. (Heb. 12:28)
- Submit. (I Pet. 5:5)
- Suffer. (I Pet. 5:10)

III. Grace Teaches. (Tit. 2:11-15)

- A. Provides instruction. (II Pet. 3:18)
 - 1. Eliminates ignorance: Ignomy.
 - 2. Eliminates indifference: Ignore.
- B. Provides incentive. (Tit. 2:11-15)
 - 1. Teaches denial. (Tit. 2:12)
 - a. Ungodliness: Attitude upward
 - b. Insensible: Attitude inward.
 - 2. Teaches duty. (I Pet. 4:10)
 - a. Soberly. Inward.
 - b. Righteously. Outward.
 - c. Godly. Upward.
 - 1. Singing. (Col. 3:16)
 - 2. Speech. (Col. 4:5-6)