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PART 6 Review, prayer, impartation of GRACE

LIVING OUT GRACE

GRACE DEFINED

Grace (Charis):

- a. that which affords joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, charm, loveliness: grace of speech
- a. of the merciful kindness by which God, exerting his holy influence upon souls, turns them to Christ, keeps, strengthens, increases them in Christian faith, knowledge, affection, and kindles them to the exercise of the Christian virtues.
- a. the spiritual condition of one governed by the power of divine grace

READ - PRAY - SING THE SCRIPTURE

- READ it to bring your mind/thoughts into agreement with God.
- PRAY it to bring your will into agreement with God.
- <u>SING</u> it to bring your affections/desires into agreement with God.

The Big Idea (The context and environment of the church Peter is writing to): The Gospel is the source for our grace to live well as believers. To live in a way that honors God with our lives, in our homes, relationships and workplace. Grace to endure, persevere, to suffer well in the midst of unjust authority/government leaders, trials, tribulations and persecution.

What do you say to people who are expecting persecution and suffering for their faith? What do you tell them to focus on? You point them to Jesus to point them to the gospel that is our salvation, our eternal hope, and our source of GRACE!

The invitation of grace is an invitation into HOPE! God is looking to empower us, to release His divine influence upon our souls, minds, and hearts in a way that fuels a life that reflects that we belong to Him, we are being made like Him, a life of impact as we advance His Kingdom and a life that shouts come what may, we are convinced in the goodness of God, the leadership of Jesus Christ as Lord, the redemption of the nations through the power of the gospel!

1 PETER CHAPTER 1

1 Peter 1:2 Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

• The GRACE of the GOSPEL (1 Peter 1:3-5)

3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance aincorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

GRACE for TRIALS and TESTS (1 Peter 3:6-12)

6In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if need be, you have been agrieved by various trials, 7 that the genuineness of your faith, *being* much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ,

• GRACE for TRANSFORMATION & HOLINESS (1 Peter 1:13-21)

13-15 Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, *as* in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you *is* holy, you also be holy in all *your* conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

• GRACE for PURITY (1 Peter 1:22-25)

22 Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth athrough the Spirit in asincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,

1 PETER CHAPTER 2

1 Peter 2:1-3 Therefore, **laying aside** all <u>malice</u>, all <u>deceit</u>, <u>hypocrisy</u>, <u>envy</u>, and all <u>evil</u> <u>speaking</u>, 2 as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, **that you may grow** [a] thereby, 3 if indeed you have tasted that the Lord *is* gracious.

- GRACE for Growth (1 Peter 2:1-3)
- GRACE for the Priesthood (1 Peter 2:4-10)

4 Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

• GRACE to Stand Out in the World (1 Peter 2:11-12)

11-12 Beloved, I beg *you* as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, 12 having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by *your* good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

• GRACE for Submission (1 Peter 2:13-20)

13 Therefore submit yourselves to every gordinance of man for the Lord's sake, 17 Honor all *people*. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

• GRACE to see Christs' Suffering (1 Peter 2:21-25)

21 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for aus, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps:

1 PETER CHAPTER 3

1 Peter 3:8-9

Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be [b]courteous; 9 not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing.

• GRACE for INWARD BEAUTY/SUBMISSION (1 Peter 3:1-6)

3 Do not let your adornment be *merely* outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on *fine* apparel— 4 rather *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the laincorruptible beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God.

• GRACE for HONOR (1 Peter 3:7)

7 Husbands, likewise, dwell with *them* with understanding, giving honor to the wife, as to the weaker vessel, and as *being* heirs together of the grace of life, that your prayers may not be hindered.

• GRACE to BE A BLESSING (1 Peter 3:8-12)

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• GRACE to SUFFER FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS (1 Peter 3:13-17)

14 But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you are blessed. "And do not be afraid of their threats, nor be troubled." 15 But an actify at the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear;

• The GRACE of BAPTISM (1 Peter 3:18-22)

21 and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

1 PETER CHAPTER 4

1 Peter 4:1-2 Therefore, since Christ suffered in his body, arm yourselves also with the same attitude, because whoever suffers in the body is done with sin. 2 As a result, they do not live the rest of their earthly lives for evil human desires, but rather for the will of God.

- GRACE to LIVE FOR GOD (1 Peter 4:1-6)
- GRACE to SERVE ONE ANOTHER (1 Peter 4:7-11)

7 The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may **pray**. 8 Above all, **love each other** deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins.

• GRACE to REJOICE IN SUFFERING (1 Peter 4:12-19)

12 Dear friends, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that has come on you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. 13 But rejoice inasmuch as you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed.

1 PETER CHAPTER 5

1 Peter 5:10-11 But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle *you*. 11 To Him *be* the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

GRACE to LEAD AND SHEPHERD (1 Peter 5:1-4)

2 Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, watching over them—not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not pursuing dishonest

gain, but eager to serve; 3 not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock.

• GRACE to HUMBLE OURSELVES (1 Peter 5:5-7)

6 Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 7 Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

GRACE to BE STEADFAST IN THE FAITH (1 Peter 5:8-11)

8 Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 9 Resist him, standing firm in the faith,

• STANDING IN GRACE (1 Peter 5:12-14)

12 With the help of Silas, whom I regard as a faithful brother, I have written to you briefly, encouraging you and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand fast in it.

COMMUNION

AN INVITATION TO THE TABLE OF THE LORD IS AN INVITATION TO RECEIVE LIFE

John 6:53-57 Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day. 55 For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me, and I in them. 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me.

LET'S EXAMINE OURSELVES

1 Cor. 11:27-29 Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks *this* cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and <code>flblood</code> of the Lord. **28** But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup. **29** For he who eats and drinks <code>gin</code> an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the <code>hlbord</code>'s body.

THE LORD'S SUPPER IS A REMINDER THAT HE IS COMING BACK FOR US

1 Cor. 11: **26** For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.