

“Amazing Grace”

Matthew 20:1-16; Ephesians 2:1-10
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Introduction

- Parable of the “Unfair Boss”—Matthew 20:1-16

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A. What is “Grace”?

1. Scriptural Support of the “God of Grace”—Ps 103:8; 116:5-6; John 1:14
2. Scriptural Definition of Grace-- 2 Corinthians 8:9; Hebrews 4:16
 - “God giving what we do not deserve”
 - “God’s help in our time of need”
3. Scriptural Examples of Grace
 - a. Jacob and Esau-- Genesis 33:11
 - b. Ezra-- Ezra 8:18

B. When do we need God’s Grace?

1. God’s Grace and **Salvation!**
 - a. Our condition before God’s help arrives—Eph. 2:1-3
 - b. God’s help arrives in the person of Jesus Christ
 - c. You and I have been saved by God’s grace through faith.
 - 1) Salvation is solely by God’s grace!
 - 2) Not by human effort—no “co-pay” plan
2. God’s Grace and **Suffering**-- 2 Cor. 12:9
3. God’s Grace and **Service**-- 1 Cor. 15:10

C. How do we receive God’s Grace?

1. We must humble ourselves-- Prov. 3:34; James 4:6
2. We must ask Him for help.—Heb. 4:16
3. We must accept help from others-- 1 Peter 4:10