Sunday, June 23, 2019 God is My Salvation – Isaiah 36. Saving Grace – Isa. 30:1

- I. Adding Sin to Sin Isaiah 30:1; 26:10
- II. The Kindness (Goodness) and Love (Gk: *Philanthropia*) of God <u>Titus 3:3-7</u>
  - A. Grace = Favor (Berkhof Quote)
    - 1. "The free bestowal of kindness on one who has no claim to it."
    - 2. "The unmerited love and goodness of God given to those who have forfeited it and are by nature under a sentence of condemnation."
    - 3. Not by Works of Righteousness (not earned)
    - 4. Not Merited (not deserved)
  - B. Mercy Good Will toward the Afflicted
  - C. Justification Declared Right(eous)
  - D. Hopeful Heirs Receiving the Portion Allotted to Him
- III. The Grace of God
  - A. Is the Source of All Spiritual Blessing <u>John 1:16; 2 Thess. 2:16; Eph. 1:6-7; 2:7-9; Titus 3:4-7</u>
  - B. Is the Way of Salvation Rom. 3:24; 2 Cor. 8:9
  - C. Is Preached to the World Acts 14:3; Titus 2:11
  - D. Is that by which Sinners Receive the Gift of God in Christ <u>Acts 18:27; Eph.</u> 2:8
  - E. Is that by which Sinners are Justified Rom. 3:24; 4:16; Titus 3:7
  - F. Is that by which Saints will Finally Inherit Complete Salvation Eph. 2:5

"In modern theology with its belief in the inherent goodness of man and his ability to help himself, the doctrine of salvation by grace has practically become a 'lost chord,' and even the word 'grace' was emptied of all spiritual meaning and vanished from religious discourse. It was retained only in the sense of 'graciousness,' something which is quite external."

- Berkhof, pg. 59