



Grace

Foundational Doctrines

Grace Defined

- How we are to approach others – Eph. 4:29; Col. 4:6
 - **Thayer** – that which affords joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, charm, loveliness
 - **BDAG** – graciousness, attractiveness
- Showing favor toward another, especially the undeserving – Eph. 1:7; Eph. 2:8; Titus 2:11
 - **Thayer** – goodwill, loving kindness, favor of God, even on the undeserving
 - **BDAG** – favor, gracious care or help, goodwill, that which one grants to another, the action of one who volunteers to do to what he is not bound

The Human Condition

- **We are sinners!** – Rom. 3:9, 23
 - No matter who you are! - 2 Cor. 10:12; 1 Pet. 1:14-16
 - Deserving of God's wrath – Eph. 2:1-5
- **We are in a predicament!**
 - Our sin condemns us, and we cannot fix it
 - To justify ourselves we must be perfect – Gal. 3:10-11
 - Our sin negates saving ourselves – Rom. 3:20

Salvation by Grace

- It is amazing that we can speak of it!
- God chose to help the helpless – Rom. 5:6-9
- God chose to show loving favor and justify unlovely sinners by faith – Rom. 3:21-24
- God choose to take slaves of sin and make them His heirs of eternal life – Titus 3:3-7
- God choose to freely give us what cost Him so dearly – Rom. 6:22-23; Heb. 2:9

**Salvation by
Grace
Must be
RECEIVED**

- By grace you can be a **child of God**, but only **by faith** – Jn. 1:12-13
- By grace you can be **saved**, but you must **choose it** – Acts 2:36-41
- By grace you can be **raised** from the deadness of sin, but only **by submitting to baptism** – Acts 22:12-16; Rom. 6:3-5; Col. 2:11-13