



SINGLE PARENTING
HOME BIBLE STUDY

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HELP FOR MY CHILDREN
Lesson 3 – Part II
“*The Application of Grace*”

10:00

I. LESSON OBJECTIVE

- ✚ This lesson shows single parents the necessity of applying grace to help children overcome iniquity.

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II. INTRODUCTION TO GRACE

Grace Defined

- ⇒ “The divine enabling of God to do what God has called you to do and to become what God has called you to become.” – Bishop Dale C. Bronner
- ⇒ **Unmerited favor** – Unmerited is the same as unearned. It means that something has been granted that you didn’t have to perform to obtain.
- Favor defined
 1. Grace – Romans 5:20: Grace must be applied proportionately to the same degree that there is sin in the life of our children.
 2. Mercy – Psalm 100:5 – God’s mercy is everlasting or inexhaustible. So should our mercy be towards our children.
 3. Loving-kindness or Kindness – (Psalm 117:2) favor – God shows kindness toward us. Kindness is favor.
 4. Goodness – (Psalm 23:6) - **good, pleasant, agreeable, fairness, beauty and joy.**
 5. Pity – (Job 19:21) - To be gracious, show favor
 6. Faithfulness – (Psalm 36:5) - Firmness, fidelity, steadfastness, steadiness
 7. Desire – (Psalm 10:17) - **Wish, longings of one’s heart**
 8. Accepted – (2 Corinthians 5:9) - **Well pleasing, acceptable**
 9. Delight - (Psalm 37:11) -To be happy about, take exquisite delight, to make merry over, make sport of
- ⇒ Other definitions of Grace:
1. Compassion – “*Noah found grace...*”
 2. That which affords joy

3. That which affords delight
4. That which affords sweetness
5. That which affords charm
6. That which affords loveliness
7. Goodwill
8. Of the mercifulness and 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 exercise of the Christian virtues.

III. GOD'S KIND OF GRACE

A. Hebrews 6:13-15 - God's Grace Begins with a Promise

- ⇒ **God swore by Himself** – He is His own guarantee that He will not break His promises.
- ⇒ He wants to bless [empower to prosper] us
- ⇒ Patience is the vehicle that brings us to the promise

B. Hebrews 6:17-18 - God's Grace is Guaranteed by His Promise

- ⇒ **God cannot lie**
- ⇒ His promises are sure
- ⇒ That gives us hope: “*Expectation for favorable change.*”
Hearts
Overflowing with
Positive
Expectation

C. Hebrews 7:1-28 - God's Grace Requires no Performance to Obtain it – Old Covenant

- ⇒ The rituals of the law performed by the Levitical priests left the people of God in need still of another priesthood.
- ⇒ But Jesus did not come forth out of Levi, the priestly order. He came from Judah
- ⇒ The rituals (or works) of the law made nothing perfect. Performing well is no guarantee that we will do well. Making your children perform does not guarantee that they will do well.
- ⇒ **(v. 19) The bringing in of a better hope** makes us perfect. That better hope is the oath that God made concerning Jesus. God's grace personified.

D. Hebrews 8:1-13 – The New Covenant is a Covenant of Grace

- ⇒ Ritualistic performance does little to change the soul
- ⇒ God wants to write His covenant on our hearts and minds
- ⇒ The soul is the place where iniquity is rooted.

