

## If Not For Grace... Titus Chapter 1(ESV)

## What Does the Word Grace Mean?

- 1. Unmerited divine assistance given to humans for their regeneration or sanctification, a virtue coming from God, a state of sanctification enjoyed through divine assistance
- 2. Approval, Favor, Mercy (a special favor, disposition to or an act of kindness, courtesy, or clemency, a temporary exemption or reprieve)
- 3. A charming or attractive trait or characteristic, a pleasing appearance or effect, ease and suppleness of movement or bearing

<u>Titus 1:1-4</u> Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness, <sup>2</sup> in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began <sup>3</sup> and at the proper time manifested in his word through the preaching with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Savior; <sup>4</sup> To Titus, my true child in a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

## **What Does Paul Say About Grace?**

- 1. The **AMOUNT** of Grace
  - a. <u>Titus 1:1</u> Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ...
- 2. The **ADMINISTRATION** of Grace
  - a. <u>Titus 1:1</u> ...for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness,
- 3. The **AGE** of Grace
  - a. <u>Titus 1:2</u> in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began

- 4. The AFTER-EFFECT of Grace
  - a. <u>Titus 1:4</u> To Titus, my true child in a common faith: Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.
- 5. The **APPLICATION** of Grace
  - a. <u>Titus 1:4</u> ...Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

## Where Should Grace Lead Us?

- 1. Grace should motivate us to Godliness
  - a. <u>Titus 1:5-9</u> This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you
    6 if anyone is above reproach, the husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. <sup>7</sup>For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, <sup>8</sup> but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. <sup>9</sup> He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.
- 2. Grace should move us to share Jesus with Others
  - a. <u>Titus 1:9</u> He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and also to rebuke those who contradict it.

As We've Been Given Grace,

Let's Extend That Same Grace To Others

Live Holy And Evangelize Because

God Has Given You Grace