

1 **Grace – God’s enabling power**

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2 **Definitions**

- ⊙ God’s Grace is related to His mercy and favour
- ⊙ It is the sum total of God’s expression of His love for and towards humanity; it is what He has freely provided motivated by His unconditional love
- ⊙ It’s all embracing and covers every aspect of our lives yet specific for every human need
- ⊙ Describes our position in God and the dispensation that we are in (cf to law)
- ⊙ Common (limited) defn: ‘God’s unmerited favour’
- ⊙ The ability of God made available for every believer to live a victorious christian life
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3 **Grace & Salvation**

- ⊙ ‘Empowering presence of God enabling you to be who He created you to be and to do what He called you to do’....James Ryle
- ⊙ It’s the power of God dispensed to meet and overcome every challenge we face in life.
- ⊙ Humanity’s greatest challenge is sin and it’s greatest need is salvation - and grace covers it all! – Rom 3:10-12, 23; 6:23; 5:12, Titus 2:11, Eph 2:8-9, Rom 5:1-2
- ⊙ Grace flows from the cross of calvary!!

4 **Grace & Victory over sin**

- ⊙ At the new birth, we died to sin and grace imparts righteousness unto us; the power of sin over us is broken – 2Cor 5:17; Rom 6:14,18,12; Titus 2:11
- ⊙ Awake to Righteousness & sin not! (2Cor 5:20)
- ⊙ Righteousness+Grace=Reign in life through Christ (Rom 5:17)
- ⊙ The way of Grace is the supernatural way to live in victory over sin & satan – 2Cor 12:8-9

5 **Grace & Destiny**

- ⊙ God has a plan & purpose for every human being – we are set on course to fulfil that plan when we give our lives to God at new birth (Jer 1:5, 29:11, Ps 139:13-16, Eph 2:10(amp); Eph 4:7-13; Rom 12:6-8, 11:29)
- ⊙ We yield to and work with the grace of God on our lives in order to fulfil his purpose for our generation – Paul (1Cor 15:10)

6 **How to access God’s grace**

- ⊙ By faith – Rom 5:1-2
- ⊙ Humility – James 4:6; 1Peter 5:5-6

- Repentance – 2cor 7:8-10
- Prayer – Acts 4:23-31&33
- Being Active (not passive!)- 1Cor 15:10