

# Our New Master

# GRACE

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*Romans 5:17 (NASB)*

*<sup>17</sup> For if by the transgression of the one, **death reigned through the one**, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.*

*Romans 5:21 (NASB)*

*<sup>21</sup> so that, **as sin reigned in death**, even so **grace would reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.***

*6:12 Therefore **do not let sin reign** in your mortal body so that you obey its lusts,*

*<sup>13</sup> and **do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.***

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**Sin** -The principle of sin is sometimes referred to as the sin nature.

We have studied the principle of sin for several weeks giving us an understanding between SINS and SIN.

**Master** – kyrieuō - Dominion, Lord, Lordship, master, owner  
kuros - supremacy in authority.

**Under** - Hypo-Remnant. *under*, i.e. (with the generic) of place  
(*beneath*)

**LAW** - hupo nomon. placing one under external enactments

**Grace** - charis

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Note the two “for’s.”

1. The first “for” announces the Divine decree that sin’s lordship over us shall be ended.
2. The second “for” reveals the happy condition of things in which such a release is possible.
3. We are not under the legal principle, —which first demanded duty, and then offered blessing;
4. But we are under the grace principle,—which confers blessing first, and behold, fruits follow!

**Greeks used the word GRACE-Charis** which came from a stem that meant to give pleasure. Anything, charming, attractive, beautiful.

Luke 4:22 *wondered at the words of grace which proceeded out of his mouth:* The words were beautiful, attractive, charming.

**The Greeks used Charis in another way:** Used as a favor done for somebody.

**Referring to Joseph-** Acts 7:10 *and delivered him out of all his afflictions and gave him favor (Charis) and wisdom before Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he made him governor over Egypt and all his house.*

**The Greeks used Charis in a third way:** Used as a response for a favor done. Thank You

2 Cor 8:16 *But thanks (Charis) be to God, who puts the same earnest care for you into the heart of Titus.*

## Grace in Paul:

*Acts 20:24 But I hold not my life of any account as dear unto myself, so that I may accomplish my course, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the **grace of God**.*

Paul has a special place in God's program of Grace. To expound the gospel and show that it is **a grace system**. The good news of the gospel is on a grace basis.

If we look at the simple fact of what grace is, it has no limit, no bounds. Be we what we may (and we cannot be worse than we are), in spite of all that, what our Father is towards us is love. Neither our joy nor our peace is dependent on what we are to God, but on what He is to us, and this is grace. J. N. Darby

*For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under law (rules), but under grace.*

## **Grace is the system under which we live.**

**Why does Paul have to tell us we are under grace?**

Because if we are not taught it, we will never get it.

**What's the design of grace?**

- To prevent sin in us from reigning
- It's not license to sin **but a system to prevent sin.**

There are two things that Scripture tells us we can be under.

Either:

1. Romans 3:9 *What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise: for we before laid to the charge both of Jews and Greeks, that they **are all under sin**;*
2. Or **under Grace** Romans 6:14.

## Grace is comprehended (grasped) in Jesus Christ

Romans 5:15 *For if by the trespass of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God, and **the gift by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, has abounded unto the many.***

Should we be in anticipation in what God is going to do for us?

No. God isn't going to do anything for us, **He has already done it.**

Where does grace abound?

In Christ. We find out about what He has done in His Word.

Is grace dynamic? Does it have the power to control us?

Titus 2: 11-12 *For the grace of God hath appeared, bringing salvation to all men, **instructing us, to the intent that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in this present world.***



## Grace is the way God operates.

**Eph. 2:4-7**

*<sup>4</sup> but God, being rich in mercy, for his great love  
wherewith he loved us,*

*<sup>5</sup> even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us  
alive together with Christ (**by grace** have you been saved),*

*<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him, and made us to sit with him in the  
heavenly places, in Christ Jesus:*

*<sup>7</sup> that in the ages to come he might show the exceeding riches  
of **his grace** in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus:*

*<sup>8</sup> for **by grace** have ye been saved through faith; and that not of  
yourselves, it is **the gift of God.***

**What's the operating principle in Christianity today?**

By grace. On the basis of grace only.

**Is it possible to not realize that operation principle?**

Yes. Unless it is taught it is not known.

**How many people would produce a grace system for salvation on their own?**

No one. No one ever has.

**What is personal faith?**

Taking God at His word.

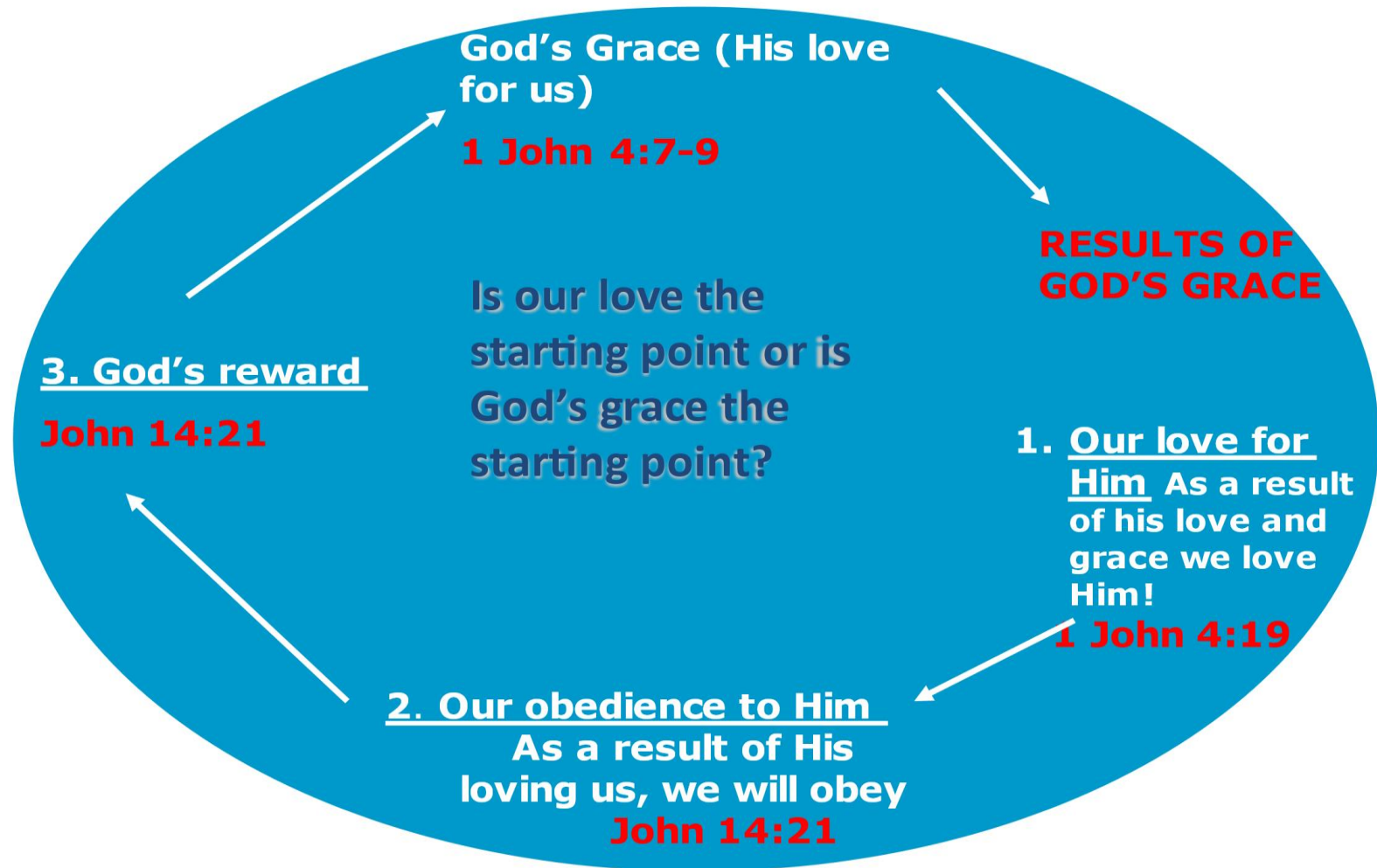
**Is it possible to grasp grace in salvation and not grasp it in the Christian life?**

If we are not taught, we will not grasp it in life.

**Galatians 5:1,4** <sup>1</sup> *It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore, keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.* <sup>4</sup> *You have been severed from Christ, you who are seeking to be justified by law; you have fallen from grace.*

**Does God speak to us on any other terms than grace?      NO.**

What about those verses that say: “*if you will obey then I will bless you*”?



There is nothing so hard for our hearts as to abide in the sense of grace, to continue practically conscious that **"we are not under law, but under grace."** It is by grace that the heart is "established"; but then there is nothing more difficult for us really to comprehend than the fulness of grace - **that "grace of God wherein we stand,"** and to walk in the power and consciousness of it.

It is only in the presence of our Father that we can truly know grace, and there it is our privilege to be. The moment we get away from His presence (not in fact), there will always be certain workings of our own thoughts within us; and our own thoughts can never reach up to His thoughts about us, to the "grace of God." J. N. Darby

# The Principles Of Grace



## Born By Grace



As a new Christian we are able to understand that we were born again on the principle of grace--the unearned, free gift of God. And your heart is filled with love for the Lord Jesus.



*"The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord." "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God" (Romans 6:23; Ephesians 2:8).*

## Conformed By Grace

As a new Christian it is important that we realize, also, that God saved you in order to conform you to the image of His Son. The Lord Jesus is the express image of God, and it is through Him that God realizes His original purpose: *“Let us make man in our image.”*

## Live By Grace

As a new Christian, moreover, we are to understand that our new life is to be lived on the same principle as your new birth--that of grace. *“As ye have, therefore, received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him”* (Colossians 2:6).

## Walk By Grace

Slowly and painfully, we will learn to be dependent upon our heavenly Father. He has ordained and laid out His plan for our life, and as we grow spiritually we will be walking in the path He has chosen for us. *“For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them”* (Ephesians 2:10).

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## Serve By Grace

We are going to learn that our service is also according to the principle of grace: regeneration by grace, growth by grace, service by grace.

Our Father has promised to provide us with all that we will need for whatever He calls us to do. There will be enough for us, and for others, also. *"God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work"* ([2 Corinthians 9:8](#)).

It is deeply significant here that even to us, new creatures in Christ, and recipients of the Holy Spirit, it is definitely announced to us that we are not under law, —else bondage and helplessness would still be our lot.

## A FEW WORDS ABOUT GRACE

The Nature of Grace

W.R. Newell

1. Grace is God acting freely, according to His own nature as Love; with no promises or obligations to fulfil; and acting of course, righteously—in view of the cross.
2. Grace, therefore, is uncaused in the recipient: its cause lies wholly in the GIVER, in GOD.
3. Grace, also is sovereign. Not having debts to pay, or fulfilled conditions on man's part to wait for, it can act toward whom, and how, it pleases. It can, and does, often, place the worst deservers in the highest favors.
4. Grace cannot act where there is either desert or ability: Grace does not help—it is absolute, it does all.
5. There being no cause in the creature why Grace should be shown, the creature must be brought off from trying to give cause to God for His Grace.
6. The discovery by the creature that he is truly the object of Divine grace, works the utmost humility: for the receiver of grace is brought to know his own absolute unworthiness, and his complete inability to attain worthiness: yet he finds himself blessed,—on another principle, outside of himself!
7. Therefore, flesh has no place in the plan of Grace. This is the great reason why Grace is hated by the proud natural mind of man. But for this very reason, the true believer rejoices! For he knows that “in him, that is, in his flesh, is no good thing”; and yet he finds God glad to bless him, just as he is!



