

GRACE “D”!

Is there such a word as “graced”? If not, I will use “graced” for the sake of this article, “in the way”!

I want you and me to realize that being “graced” by God means extending grace to others.

We have been blessed to bless others.

We are successful in making success happen for others.

I believe this is what God's Plan of Salvation is about.

“For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son that whosoever believeth IN Him SHALL NOT PERISH, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16 KJV

God gave that we might receive. We receive that we

might provide.

This is one reason why I do not fully believe in the concept of karma. You know. “What goes around comes around!” What we deserve, we get!

One of my mentors taught me that karma is the idea that everything within Creation operates within a fixed system that makes everything that is put out there come back to bounce back, from which there is no escape. Notice that I call it an idea.

Mercy and grace severely disrupt that cycle. Salvation is breaking a cycle created by bad things. To me, salvation is that we, through Christ Jesus, can break curses and cycles, even if there are “generational” issues; we can declare that the buck stops here. What runs in the family is brought to a grinding halt.

Through belief and confession, the transformation is that what “runs in the family” now is a glorious race.

“...let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin (falling short of the mark) that so easily entangles. And let us RUN with perseverance the race marked out for us...” Hebrews 12

God has given everyone an “escape hatch,” a Door from a system, cycled within what

has been.

View it this way... God has given the Believer a transference of wealth and well-being that mirrors “Thy Will be done on earth as it is in Heaven!”

I am feeling this as I write it, so here it is. God has put His Glory on us so that we may receive His Glory within us.

But Dr. Rainey, what is Glory?

Glory is splendor, honor, a solid reputation followed by recognized success.

You see, my friends, glory is not only received but also becomes a “source of”.

“And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's Glory, are being TRANSFORMED into His Image with EVER INCREASING Glory, which comes from the LORD, who is the Spirit.”

II Corinthians 3:18

Grace is defined as unmerited favor, but in walking out our salvation, grace is the full weight of God at any given moment.

The weight of God destroys the yoke, the cycle, the systems that try to stifle who we were created to be. That is to be fruitful, multiply, and have dominion to replenish the goodness of God.

Graced!

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