



AO Devotional #8: God's Grace

If a stranger came up to you and asked why God's grace was important or what it even meant would you be able to explain it? Often times during times of adversity people become curious about who God is. It is important we fully understand this concept seeing that it is one of God's many great attributes. Without God grace does not exist.

Grace saves us through Faith

- Ephesians 2:4-9
- "it is by grace you have been saved"
 - o Do you understand that if God was not graceful salvation would not be attainable?
- "For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith-and this is not from yourselves"
 - o Could you even explain Grace to someone without mentioning faith?
- It is a gift
 - o We are not capable of earning grace. God's love for us is so great that despite our sinful nature he still chooses to be graceful with us.
 - o Knowing that you have been given this gift, how do you use your faith to share it with others? When was the last time you told someone that you were thankful for His grace?

Grace gives us Confidence

- 2 Corinthians 12: 8-9
 - o His power is made perfect in weakness, despite the circumstances or turns life may take we can be confident that God is with us through it all
 - o When going through hardship it is important to remain confident in who God says he is. After all he knows what's best for all of us.

Grace gives us Freedom

- Romans 6:14
 - o Sin is not your master, you are free to live a fruitful and Godly life because of God's Grace
 - o Do you take advantage of this freedom? How do you push yourself to be more Godly and how could you push others to be better disciples themselves?

Titus 2: 11- 14

"¹¹ For the **grace** of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. ¹² It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ while we wait for the blessed hope- the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify himself a people that are **his very own, eager to do what is good.**"

- What is the Grace of God now that you've read this?
- What does God's Grace give us?
- Why is God's Grace important to you?

Challenge: Ask someone what God's grace means to them and then tell them what it means to you.

Ps. Pretend you are having this Q time in Hawaii.
Also stop procrastinating and get on Zoom
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