

## Four Aspects for Applying the Atonement of Jesus Christ:

- 1. Kaphar (Hebrew) To cover; appease, cleanse Mercy
- Katallage (Greek) Restoration to [the divine] favor, to reconcile - A Change of Heart
- 3. Kafat (Aramaic) A close embrace Divine Help or Grace
- 4. Atonement (English) To set at one again Become like God. Christian Science The state of union with God in which man exemplifies the attributes of God

Ezekiel 36:25-28

## Ezekiel 36:27

"And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them."

Kafat (Aramaic) - a close embrace - Divine Help or Grace

# Bible Dictionary

Grace -- The main idea of the word is divine means of help or strength, given through the bounteous mercy and love of Jesus Christ.... it is through the grace of the Lord Jesus, made possible by His atoning sacrifice, that ... individuals, through faith in the Atonement of Jesus Christ and repentance of their sins, receive strength and assistance to do good works that they otherwise would not be able to maintain if left to their own means. This grace is an enabling power that allows men and women to lay hold on eternal life and exaltation after they have expended their own best efforts.



David A. Bednar
"In the Strength of the Lord", BYUIdaho Devotional, January 8, 2002

"I frankly do not think many of us "get it" concerning this enabling and strengthening aspect of the atonement, and I wonder if we mistakenly believe we must make the journey from good to better and become a saint all by ourselves, through sheer grit, willpower, and discipline, and with our obviously limited capacities."

### So, how do we "get it" and obtain Grace? 2 Nephi 25:23



Dieter F. Uchtdorf "The Gift of Grace," General Conference, April 2015

"I wonder if sometimes we misinterpret the phrase "after all we can do." We must understand that "after" does not equal "because." We are not saved "because" of all that we can do. Have any of us done all that we can do? Does God wait until we've expended every effort before He will intervene in our lives with His saving grace?"



Dieter F. Uchtdorf "The Gift of Grace," General Conference, April 2015

"Many people feel discouraged because they constantly fall short. They know firsthand that "the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." They raise their voices with Nephi in proclaiming, "My soul grieveth because of mine iniquities."



Dieter F. Uchtdorf "The Gift of Grace," General Conference, April 2015

"I am certain Nephi knew that the Savior's grace allows and enables us to overcome sin. This is why Nephi labored so diligently to persuade his children and brethren "to believe in Christ, and to be reconciled to God." After all, that is what we can do! And that is our task in mortality!"

Alma 24:10-12





Dieter F. Uchtdorf "The Gift of Grace," General Conference, April 2015

"The grace of God does not merely restore us to our previous innocent state. ... His aim is much higher: He wants His sons and daughters to become like Him."



C. S. Lewis
The Complete C.S. Lewis
Signature Classics, 411.

For God is not merely mending, not simply restoring a status quo. Redeemed humanity is to be something more glorious than unfallen humanity would have been, more glorious than any unfallen race now is. . . . And this super-added glory will, with true vicariousness, exalt all creatures and those who have never fallen will thus bless Adam's fall.

### Embraced

The veil is parted allowing me in; The light of God shows what is within. This hallowed room within my soul, Where Godliness dwells and I am whole. From the world's call I am free And I see the me I want to be. On holy ground I ponder long The path to which I truly belong. Am I to be a celestial soul? Or merely dream of a Godly goal?



#### Embraced

Then He appears and I can see To be like Him is what I should be. But I see reflected in His eyes What my soul cannot disguise. The things I've done that marred my soul I'm less than godly, incomplete - not whole There comes an ache into my heart -He knows, He sees, my ugly part. I begin to turn my face away -What can I do, what can I say?



#### Embraced

I've tried so hard to heed the call To follow Him but still I fall. With head bowed low I humbly plea, "Please dear Lord, have mercy on me!" Then I feel His love; I see His face I feel His arms in warm embrace. Healing light fills my soul And once again I'm Godly - I am whole. The Godly child that lies within Is now pure, and free from sin. Reconciled to God above By atoning power and the Savior's love.





