Introduction: Grace is often defined as 'unmerited favor." Justice is when you get what you . Mercy is when you do what you deserve. Grace is when you get what you do . It is by God's grace man will be saved. The question though arises as to how man receives God's grace or if that grace is unconditional.

**I) Grace In the Universal Sense**

**A) God's power and grace was extended to all mankind, 2 Peter 3.** **Titus 2.11,** **12**

**B) The Calvinist teaches that due to mans total depravity grace and faith both are on man, Ephesians 2.8**

1. If such is true than all will be saved because God wants everyone to be saved.

2. But we know that not all will be saved so the very premise must be flawed.

3. **Ephesians 2.4-6** shows the condition of the Gentiles before they heard the Gospel.

a. **Galatians 5.4** some were attempting to be saved by the Law of Moses.

b. **2 Corinthians 6.1,14** some were trying to worship idols; fellowship those in sin.

**II) Proper Understanding Of Grace**

**A) Begins with , 2 Timothy 1.9,10**, **Ephesians 1.7**

**B) Mankind did not Jesus**

1. **Romans 5.8; 8.31-32** we all deserve death; because we are all sinners, **John 3.16**, **Ephesians 2.5**

3. The means of salvation is .

a. The operation of salvation is .

b. The condition of receiving is .

**C) At what point are we saved?**

1 So we have to look at where Jesus says we are saved, **Mark 16.16**.

2. Does our baptism merit salvation? No it is by grace; **Acts 2.40** and **Phil. 2.12.**

**III) Illustration of Grace And Faith**

**A) Walls of Jericho, Joshua 6.1-5; 15-16, 20.**

**B) Naaman the leper in 2 Kings 5.1-5, 13.14**

**C) The blind man in John 9.1, 6-7**

**IV) The Nature of Faith**

**A) Absolute dependence on God**

1. To trust in His way and not ours, **1 Corinthians 1.21,23-24**

2. The Gospel message is that God sent Jesus to die for us.

**B) In order to receive salvation, God's grace man must trust in God**

1. Not change the conditions of salvation, **Habakkuk 2.20**

2. We must give ourselves to God in .