



## **GOD'S GREATEST GIFTS: HIS GRACE**

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**Text: Ephesians 1:3-14**



**Introduction:** People are surrounded by gifts from God. **James 1:17** says that God's gifts are good and perfect. When we study God's Holy Word from cover to cover I believe that that it reveals some of God's greatest gifts. Today, we are going to study about one of God's greatest gifts: His Grace. Have you ever wondered why we have so many songs in our hymn books that talk about grace? Grace is such a beautiful word. We love to talk about God's grace. So let's study about it . . . .

### **Discussion:**

#### **I. God's Grace Is A Gift**

- A. The benefits of God's grace (v.3).
- B. The origin of God's grace (v.4).
- C. The purpose of God's grace (v.5).
- D. The privilege of God's grace (v.6).

#### **II. God's Grace Is A Good Gift**

- A. God's grace is good because it is rich (v.7).
- B. God's grace is good because it is free (v.8).
- C. God's grace is good because it is planned (v.9).
- D. God's grace is good because it brings unity (v.10).

#### **III. God's Grace Is A Perfect Gift**

- A. God ordained a perfect plan (v.11).
- B. God chose to perfect His people (v.12).
- C. God gave us His perfect Spirit (v.13).
- D. God gives us perfect promises (v.14).

*God's presence - **Hebrews 13:5***

*God's protection - **Genesis 15:1***

*God's power - **Isaiah 41:10***

*God's provision - **Isaiah 41:10***

*God's leading - **John 10:4***

*God's purposes - **Jeremiah 29:11***

*God's rest - **Matthew 11:28***

*God's cleansing - **I John 1:9***

*God's goodness - **Psalms 84:11***

*God's faithfulness - **I Samuel 12:22***

*God's guidance - **Psalms 25:9***

*God's wisdom - **Romans 8:28***

**Conclusion:** God's amazing grace should lead us closer to Him. We need to understand and appreciate all of God's plan. We need to realize the power of His saving grace. Have you accepted the gift of the Savior? Have you accepted the grace of God?

**WORD OF THE DAY = "GRACE"**