

A hiker with a backpack stands on a rocky ridge in the foreground, looking out over a vast landscape. The middle ground features rolling hills with vibrant green and yellow-green vegetation. In the background, there are majestic mountains with colorful, layered slopes in shades of orange, red, and brown, leading up to dark, snow-capped peaks under a bright blue sky with scattered white clouds.

**THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
BE WITH YOU ALL.**

Revelation 22:21 (New King James Version)

A hiker with a backpack stands on a green mountain ridge, looking out over a valley of colorful mountains. The sky is blue with scattered clouds. The text "WHAT IS GRACE & WHY DO I NEED IT?" is overlaid in the center.

WHAT IS GRACE
&
WHY DO I NEED IT?

WHAT IS GRACE



Character of God

God is love

1 John 4:8



That Character Relates to People

Through Mercy
Through Grace



That Character Relates to People

Through Mercy

God does not give us what we deserve



That Character Relates to People

Through Mercy

God does not give us what we deserve

*...not by works of righteousness which we have done,
but according to His mercy He saved us...*

Titus 3:5

That Character Relates to People

Through Grace

That is giving us what we do not deserve





That Character Relates to People

Through Grace

That is giving us what we do not deserve

*...that having been justified by His grace
we should become heirs
according to the hope of eternal life.*

Titus 3:7

Grace In the Life of the Lord Jesus



Grace in the life of the Lord Jesus

1. From childhood Grace was upon Him

*And the Child grew
and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom;
and the grace of God was upon Him.*

Luke 2:40

Grace in the life of the Lord Jesus


2. He was full of Grace

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only
begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.*

John 1:14

Grace in the life of the Lord Jesus

3. He came to give Grace



And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

John 1:16-17




WHY DO I NEED GRACE?





There are two types of Grace



Saving Grace – Living Grace



Two types of Grace for us

Saving Grace

*For by grace you have been saved through faith,
and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,
not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

Ephesians 2:8-9

Two types of Grace for us

Saving Grace

**“It is the wealth of God's kindness;
the riches of his mercy;
the soothing ointment of his forgiveness;
the free and undeserved,
but lavishly offered hope of eternal life.”**

Two types of Grace for us

Living Grace



***...the testimony of our conscience that we conducted ourselves in the world in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom but by the grace of God...
2 Corinthians 1:12***



What does living Grace provide?



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What does Living Grace provide?

Comfort and Hope



*Now may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and our God and Father, who has loved us and given us everlasting **consolation** and good **hope** by grace...*

2 Thessalonians 2:16



What does Living Grace provide?

Sufficiency



*My grace is **sufficient** for you,
for My strength is made perfect in weakness.*

2 Corinthians 12:9



How does one obtain living grace?



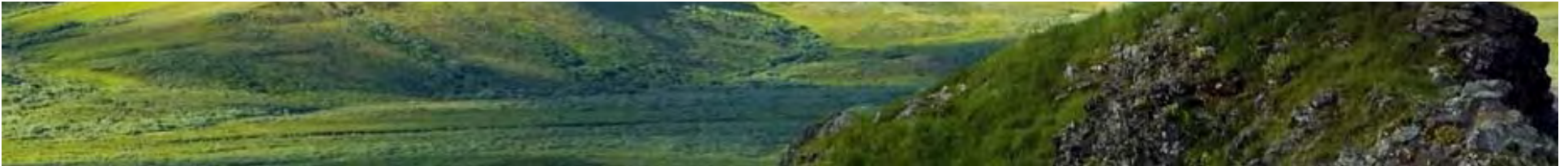
How does one obtain Living Grace?

1. Understanding more about God



Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord

2 Peter 1:2



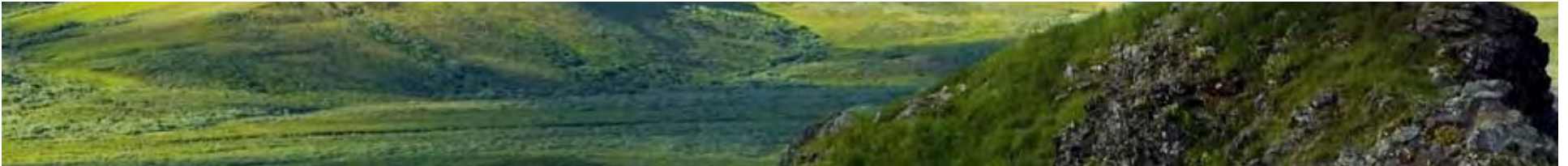
How does one obtain Living Grace?

2. Humility



*God resists the proud,
But gives grace to the humble.*

James 4:6



How does one obtain Living Grace?

3. Coming before the throne of Grace




***Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace,
that we may obtain mercy
and find grace to help in time of need.***

Hebrews 4:16





There are two types of Grace



Saving Grace – Living Grace





There are two types of Grace



Saving Grace – Freeing us from the penalty of sin





There are two types of Grace



Saving Grace – Freeing us from the practice of sin





There are two types of Grace



Living Grace – Freeing us from the pressures of life



A hiker with a backpack stands on a rocky ridge in the foreground, looking out over a vast valley. The valley is filled with rolling hills of vibrant green and yellow. In the background, majestic mountains with snow-capped peaks rise against a blue sky with scattered white clouds. The overall scene is one of natural beauty and tranquility.

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