

"GOD'S AMAZING GRACE"

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AT: "THE TERRACE"
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[Faint, illegible handwriting on lined paper]

LET ME ASK, DID YOU COME TODAY,
NEEDING TO HEAR FROM GOD?

OH I SURE HOPE SO / AND I BELIEVE
YOU WILL GET THAT WORD IF
YOU LISTEN CLOSELY - ALLOWING
THE HOLY SPIRIT TO ENLIGHTEN
YOU // JESUS SAID "THAT'S HIS JOB"
AND HE'S ALWAYS READY & ABLE //

NOW I READ SOMETHING THIS WEEK
THAT SPOKE TO MY HEART AND AS
WE SHARE IT, I HOPE IT WILL
SPEAK TO YOURS ^{Heart} ALSO. (HERE IT IS)

"GOD HAS BLESSED MY LIFE
IN SO MANY WAYS, WITH
TENDER LOVE AND CARE /
I'VE ALWAYS FOUND HIS
LOVING GRACE, IN ANSWER
TO EACH PRAYER"

HAVE YOU FOUND THAT TO BE TRUE?
~~OR ALL HOPE IS~~ // IF SO YOU ARE
SO BLESSED

WELL IT'S A JOY TO BE HERE
AGAIN TODAY = AND TO SHARE
ANOTHER GREAT TRUTH WITH YOU

AND LET ME BE QUICK TO SAY,
"THIS BOOK / GOD'S MESSAGE OF LOVE,
IS FULL OF GREAT TRUTHS."

{ AS THE FELLER SAYS: "FROM
COVER TO COVER, AND FROM
GENESIS THRU THE MAPS"
(That covers IT ALL Amen)

AND ONE OF THE MOST REWARDING
TRUTHS YOU'LL FIND IN THE BIBLE
IS RECORDED IN 2 CORINTHIANS 12:9

AND HERE'S WHAT IT SAYS:

"GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR
THEE."

NOW LET ME ASK, "HAVE YOU FOUND
THAT TO BE TRUE?" (I, SURE HAVE)

LISTEN: / THERE IS NO REASON TO
QUESTION THAT STATEMENT / YOU
SEE GOD SAID IT, AND HE "SAYS"
WHAT HE MEANS & MEANS WHAT
HE SAYS. Amen

(Let's PRAY) OUR MESSAGE TODAY
CHILDREN IN S.S. ANSWER Teacher's Question
About Grace

Now if someone asked you to
define the word GRACE, what
would you say? /

Oh listen "EVERYONE would HAVE
AN ANSWER" you see we HAVE
ALL EXPERIENCED GOD'S GRACE //
AND WE HAVE ALL BEEN BLESSED
By it = "

Now when I HEAR THE WORD
GRACE, THIS DEFINITION COMES
TO MIND: "GOD'S REDEMPTION
AT CHRIST EXPENSE" (G-R-A-C-E)

Oh listen BELOVED, THIS IS A
GREAT BIBLICAL TRUTH // IT'S
GOD'S MESSAGE TO YOU AND ME //

= IT'S JOHN 3:16 COME ALIVE =
AND I HASTEN TO SAY: THANK
YOU JESUS /

oh my soul, what A PRICE
Jesus PAID, AND He DID SO
Willingly" { GRACE DID NOT COME
CHEAP

ON LISTEN, ONLY THE SINLESS SON
OF GOD, COULD SATISFY GOD //
AND HE DID IT ON THE CROSS //

NOW THERE ARE MANY QUESTION
THAT CROSS THE MIND OF PEOPLE,
QUESTIONS LIKE ① CAN ANYTHING
SEPERATE US FROM THE LOVE
OF GOD? ② CAN I DRIFT TOO FAR
AWAY FROM GOD ③ CAN I WAIT
TOO LONG TO GET RIGHT WITH
GOD? // WELL LET ME TELL YOU
THE ANSWERS ARE FOUND IN
THE GREATEST BOOK AVAILABLE
TO US. //

WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE
INFAILLABLE // INERRENT //

INSPIRED WORD OF GOD //

THE ERRORLESS // FAULTLESS //

GOD BREATHED WORD OF GOD //

AND GOD'S ANSWER TO ALL

OUR QUESTIONS IS GRACE

③

GOD'S UNMERITED FAVOR, AND
THAT INCLUDES EACH OF US -
WE CAN HAVE SOMETHING
WE'VE NEVER EARNED

OH LISTEN, BEFORE WE TRY TO
ANSWER THOSE QUESTIONS, WE
MUST CONSIDER: ① WHO GOD IS
② WHAT HE IS ③ AND WHAT
AUTHORITY ~~HE~~ HE HAS

WE ALSO MUST REALIZE
THAT HIS LOVE IS SO FAR REACHING
THAT THERE IS NO END TO IT
AND WE HAVE HIS WORDS THAT

LISTEN AGAIN TO JOHN 3:16 "FOR GOD
SO LOVED THE WORLD (YOU AND ME)
THAT HE GAVE US HIS ONLY BEGOTTEN
SON (ONE OF A KIND) (AND THAT WAS
JESUS) SO THAT WHOSOEVER (ANYONE)
WHO BELIEVETH IN HIM (JESUS)
SHOULD NOT PERISH (DIE LOST)
BUT HAVE EVERLASTING (ETERNAL)
LIFE"

LET ME ASK, DOES THAT SOUND
LIKE SOMEONE WHO SPEAKS IDLE WORDS?

Does THAT Sound Like Someone
Who Is WISHY. WASHEY ³ // NOT To
Me Beloved // But It Does
Sound Like Someone who Says
what THEY MEAN, And means
what THEY Say (And We CAN
Rely ON It)

Oh But Let Me TELL You, ① AS
MUCH AS GOD LOVES US ② AND
AS GREAT AS THE PRICE WAS
THAT JESUS PAID / God Will Not
Go Back ON HIS WORD // You See
GRACE Won't Allow It // GOD
CAN NOT DISREGARD SIN // IF
HE DID HIS WORD WOULD BE
MEANINGLESS / But GRACE Won't
Allow It, And God wouldn't
condone Sin anyway // AMEN

Oh But Beloved Remember THIS:
God Will LOVE us with An
EVERLASTING love // No Not (Will)
But (Does) // (Glory)

✓ AND ONLY A GOD OF GRACE COULD
DO THAT, AND OUR GOD IS THAT
GOD // AREN'T WE BLESSED

As Winter May Lucado Says "WE
ARE IN THE GRIP OF GOD'S GRACE"
AND GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT
TO MEET ALL OUR NEEDS ~~WE~~ ^{BARD}

And I KNOW THAT'S TRUE IN THE LAST
3 YEARS WE HAVE SEEN IT HAPPEN
VERY VIVIDLY. AND I KNOW

FROM ALL MY MEDICAL RECORDS
THAT I AM MOST CERTAINLY
IN THE GRIPS OF GOD'S GRACE

<GLORY>

NOW GOD'S PROMISE IS "BY GRACE
I WILL MEET YOUR NEEDS" (AND
THAT'S REAL LOVE DEAR HEARTS)

^{NO GRACE} BUT GOD DID NOT SAY "I WILL
GIVE YOU ALL YOUR WANTS" //
AND THAT'S REAL LOVE TOO

OH LISTEN BECAUSE GOD IS
OMNISCIENT (KNOWING ALL THINGS
ONLY HE CAN DETERMINE OUR
REAL NEEDS (AND I AM SO
GLAD) / LOOKING BACK I SEE
TIMES WHEN I WOULD HAVE
BEEN IN DEEP, DEEP TROUBLE
IF GOD HAD GIVEN ME EVERYTHING
I THOUGHT I NEEDED AND ASKED
GOD FOR (HOW ABOUT YOU?)

AS WE SAID EARLIER "MANY
PEOPLE GO TO GREAT LENGTHS TO
TRY & DEFILE GOD'S GRACE" BUT
BELOVED GOD HAS ALREADY DONE
IT FOR US / HE WHO IS THE AUTHOR
OF GRACE HAS DONE IT FOR US!

HIS WORD SAYS "GRACE IS DIVINE
FAVOR OR KINDNESS, SHOWN BY
GOD WITHOUT REGARD TO WORTH OR
MERIT OF THE PERSON WHO
RECEIVES IT" (WOW)

GRACE IS WHAT GOD IS FREE TO DO (AND DOES) FOR HIS CREATION

GRACE IS THE GIFT OF GOD AND IS MOST ELOQUENTLY AND GRACIOUSLY REVEALED

IN THE PERSON OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THRU THE GRACE OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST "BY GRACE THOU FAITH IS ONE SAVED" Glory Glory

Now Beloved Someone May Be ASKING why IS THE PREACHER SAYING AND THIS? Simple

- ① BECAUSE GOD WANTED US TO HEAR IT
- ② BECAUSE WE NEEDED TO HEAR IT

Oh Listen Those who will listen to a message like this, will come to HAVE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF JUST HOW GREAT GOD IS

AND WILL GIVE ^{THEM} ~~THE~~ A DEEPER APPRECIATION OF JESUS

(are you listening Dear Hearts)

IT'S NO WONDER THAT GOD HAS
GIVEN JESUS A NAME ABOVE
EVERY NAME / AND HAS DECREED
THAT ONE DAY EVERY KNEE SHALL
BOW AND EVERY TONGUE CONFESS
THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD

(Philippians 2:10 & 11) **ONE DAY**
IT'S GONNA HAPPEN / GET READY

~~ONE DAY KING JESUS IS COMING BACK~~
~~IT COULD BE TODAY~~ **Beloved!**

How Do I Know? / Because God's
WORD SAID SO / AND BECAUSE GOD
SAID IT, YOU CAN CALL IT A

"DONE DEAL" Amen {**DONE DEAL**
THAT'S GOOD

We're TALKING ABOUT GRACE
Beloved / GOD'S GRACE //

SUFFICIENT TO MEET YOUR
EVERY NEED // (How WONDERFUL)

Now
Someone Has Rightly Said "THE
ONLY WORD FOR GRACE IS
Amazing—

WOW, WOULD YOU AGREE WITH
THAT? I SURE WOULD.

There is a BEAUTIFUL SONG THAT
TALKS SO MUCH ABOUT GRACE, AND
THE MESSAGE OF THIS SONG IS SO
TRUE / LISTEN TO IT'S MESSAGE

(WAIT NOW / DON'T LEAVE / I'M NOT
GOING TO SING IT, JUST READ IT)

HERE IT IS

MARVELOUS GRACE OF OUR LOVING
LORD / GRACE THAT EXCEEDS OUR
SIN AND OUR GUILT / YONDER ON
CALVARY'S MOUNT OUTPOURED //
THERE WHERE THE BLOOD OF THE
LAMB WAS SPILT //

DARK IS THE STAIN THAT WE
CANNOT HIDE // WHAT CAN AVAIL
TO WASH IT AWAY // LOOK THERE
IS FLOWING A CRIMSON TIDE //
WHITER THAN SNOW YOU MAY
BE TODAY //

MARVELOUS / Infinite / MATCHLESS
GRACE / FREELY BESTOWED ON ALL
WHO BELIEVE / ALL WHO ARE
HONGING TO SEE HIS FACE,
WILL YOU THIS MOMENT HIS
GRACE RECEIVE // Now listen closely

"GRACE", "GRACE", "GOD'S GRACE"
GRACE THAT WILL PARDON AND
CLEANSE WITHIN // GRACE,
GRACE, GOD'S GRACE, GRACE
THAT IS GREATER THAN ALL
OUR SIN //

Oh my soul, what a
message AND ALL SO TRUE //

(Does it touch your heart?)
~~IT SURE DOES TOUCH MINE~~

YES, DEAR HEARTS, WE ARE IN
THE GRIP OF GOD'S GRACE / AND
WE MUST REMEMBER THAT THE
GOD WHO MADE US IS ABLE TO
SUSTAIN US AND ABLE TO
KEEP US AND DOES //

(17)

HIS LOVE KNOWS NO LIMITS
AND HIS GRACE NO END /
AND IT'S READILY AVAILABLE
TO ALL WHO WILL BELIEVE

DEAR FRIENDS WE ARE SO
RICHLY BLESSED / JESUS HAS DONE
SOMETHING WE COULD NEVER
DO OURSELVES / HE HAS "ONCE
AND FOR ALL" TIMES "SATISFIED
GOD" / AND HE GAVE HIS LIFE
WILLINGLY TO DO SO

IT'S NO WONDER THE SONG
WRITER CALLED GRACE
MARVELOUS // BECAUSE IT NEVER
HAD / NOR NEVER WILL HAVE
AN EQUAL // AND BECAUSE
GRACE IS A MANIFESTATION
OF GOD'S LOVE FOR HIS
CREATION // AND THAT'S US / YOU / ME
ARE YOU THANKFUL // HAVE YOU
TOLD GOD SO? IF NOT YOU NEED TO //

IF NOT / NOW WOULD BE A
GOOD TIME TO DO IT =

LET ME ASK, CAN YOU SAY WITH
THE WRITER OF ROMANS 5:1-3

"SINCE WE HAVE BEEN MADE
RIGHT WITH GOD BY ONE
FAITH, WE HAVE PEACE

WITH GOD / THIS HAPPENED

THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS

CHRIST WHO HAS BROUGHT

US INTO THAT BLESSING OF

GOD'S GRACE THAT WE NOW

ENJOY / WE ARE MADE TRULY

HAPPY BECAUSE OF THE HOPE

WE HAVE OF SHARING GOD'S

GLORY AND BECAUSE HEAVEN

IS OUR REWARD"

OH I HOPE THIS DESCRIBES

YOUR SPIRITUAL CONDITION /

AND NEVER FORGET, GOD'S

GRACE HAS MADE IT ALL

POSSIBLE - AMEN

LET ME TELL YOU AGAIN, "IT WAS ALL MADE POSSIBLE BECAUSE JESUS PAID A DEBT HE DID NOT OWE // A DEBT WE COULD NEVER PAY"

NEVER FORGET BELIEVED, "GRACE IS GOD'S ULTIMATE FREE GIFT" WE DON'T DESERVE IT, NOR COULD WE EARN IT

AND HERE'S SOMETHING ELSE TO REJOICE OVER: GOD'S GRACE WILL NEVER WEAR OUT // NEVER GIVE OUT // NEVER GROW THIN // IT FITS US PERFECTLY NO MATTER WHO WE ARE // AND ALL WE NEED DO TO RECEIVE IT IS TO ACCEPT IT // GRACE IS GOD'S LIFE CHANGING GIFT // FREE TO ALL, BUT IT WAS NOT FREE TO GOD, IT COST HIM HIS ONLY SON

AND GOD'S GRACE IS OUR HOPE
OF GLORY = <Ain't God Good>

TAKE TIME TO REFLECT ON GOD'S GRACE
AND ITS COST TO GOD / THEN THANK
GOD FOR THE AMAZING GRACE JOHN
NEWTON WROTE ABOUT

JOHN NEWTON WAS ONCE A SLAVE
TRADER = THERE IS NO TELLING
HOW MANY PEOPLE DIED AS A
RESULT OF IT

BUT ONE DAY GOD'S AMAZING
GRACE BECAME REAL TO HIM //
ONE DAY THE LOVE OF GOD BECAME
REAL TO HIM // AND ONE DAY THE
CONVICTING POWER OF GOD'S HOLY
SPIRIT CAME OVER HIM AND JOHN
NEWTON WAS SAVED //

ONE DAY HE PENNED THESE
WORDS "ONCE I WAS LOST, BUT
NOW I'M FOUND // ONCE I WAS ~~LOST~~^{BLIND}
BUT NOW I SEE //

AND JOHN NEWTON SAID GOD'S
AMAZING GRACE MADE THE
DIFFERENCE //

OH LISTEN / GOD'S GRACE WILL
MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR LIFE

TOO / WILL YOU LET IT / DO SO

TODAY? / OH LISTEN, GOD'S
UNMERITED FAVOR IS A REALITY -
AVAILABLE TO ALL

→ PRAY ←

DODIE, COULD WE SING ONE
VERSE OF #315 BEFORE WE GO?
"ROOM AT THE CROSS"

NOW JOIN HANDS AS WE CLOSE
THIS SERVICE WITH PRAYER

Prayer

VIA COU DIOS // GO
WITH GOD REMEMBERING
THAT GOD IS NEVER SO FAR
AWAY THAT HE CAN'T HEAR
OUR CRY FOR HELP = AMEN

OVER

Now The Answers to those
3 Questions

① Nothing Can Separate us
From The Love of God

Rom. 8: 35-39

② Yes, a Person Can ~~want~~
~~long~~ DRIFT Too Far Away
From God (Read Romans

1 Verses 21-32)

③ Can I wait too long to
Get Right with God - yes
Death Ends The Opportunity
Prov. Proverbs 1:18

But God's AMAZING GRACE
Can Make a Difference

God Bless You