

Grace

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Introduction

1. Ephesians 2:8-9
2. What is grace, we say most of the time unmerited favor
3. But with the Bible there is more involved with the idea of Grace

II Discussion

1. Salvation is something that we receive as a gift Roman 6:23
 1. To whom is it given?
 1. To a select few?
 2. If to a select few whose fault is it if a person is not saved?
 3. Is it universal salvation?
 4. The Bible says Luke 19:10; 1 Timothy 2:4; Acts 10:34-35
 2. illustrations
 1. Christmas present, is it free
 2. Then for this free gift does one not have to remove the bow, ribbon, paper, box, filler, then the gift must be used to have benefit from it.
 3. What about the grace of God?
 1. We must open it, to use it
 2. The grace of God is still unmerited and it is not something we have done
 4. Is it truly a free gift?
 1. The Christmas gift above was it not paid for by someone else?
 2. Our salvation was paid for by someone else 1 Peter 1:18-18; 1 Corinthians 6:20; 7:23
2. Does this mean that there is nothing that we can do to have eternal life?
 1. Acts 16:30 what does that question mean?
 2. Webster's 7th collegiate dictionary defines "do" as "to bring to pass, carry out."
 3. What does Philippians 2:12 mean?
3. Is there something we must do to have eternal life? John 6:28-28
 1. Man needs to believe Hebrews 11:6
 2. Belief is called a work, so there is something I must do to have eternal life
 3. I need to repent Acts 3:19
 4. I need to confess Romans 10:9-10
 5. I need to be baptized Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21

III Conclusion

1. Are you in need of the grace of God?
2. Have you used the grace of God?
3. If not why not now!

Sources: old sermon preached; Webster's 7th collegiate dictionary