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I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.
(Galatians 2:21)

But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.
(1 Corinthians 15:10)

BIBLE CLASSES LESSON TEXTS

Sunday, June 5th, Judges 14,15
Samson II



Wednesday, June 8th, Judges 16
Samson III

SERVICES

SUNDAY:

Bible Class 9:30am
Worship 10:25 am

Worship 6:00 pm

WEDNESDAY:

Ladies' Bible Class
4:00 am

Bible Classes 7:00 pm

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Happenings in God's Family



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What is Grace? (Part 1)

The concept of grace is really not that hard on the surface of things. Grace is unmerited favor. The word favor means to do something for someone out of goodwill. Unmerited means that the favor was not earned. God has done something out of goodwill for the entire world, and the world certainly did not earn it much less deserve it. What did God do? He gave His Son, Jesus Christ (John 3:16). Titus 2:11-12 comments on what God did: "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age." Jesus Christ brought salvation by teaching people the truth. This is how God's grace is given to every single person today.

That does not mean, however, that every single person is saved. The idea of salvation by grace alone is a concept that is foreign to the Bible. If it were true, then every single person would be saved since God's grace was given to everyone, but we know that some will not be saved (Matthew 7:21-24). So, how is it that we are saved by grace (Ephesians 2:8)? We are saved by grace when we receive the gift of God's grace by accepting and practicing the teaching of Jesus Christ. That's exactly the point of Titus 2:11-12. One accepts and receives God's grace by denying ungodliness and worldly lusts and living soberly, righteously, and godly.

To the Christian, God gives His grace by favoring the Christian with the spiritual blessings that are in Christ (Ephesians 1:3). The Christian can do nothing to earn or merit these blessings. God's setting conditions for receiving these blessings does not militate against His grace; He remains gracious.

God bless you, and I love you.
Kevin Cauley

OUR FAITH IN ACTION

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

PM Bible Class ----- 52

SUNDAY, May 29, 2022

AM Bible class -----58

AM Worship -----78

PM Worship -----40

Contribution -----\$4,384.50

Average to Date -----\$2,865.75

Budget -----\$2,950.00

Servants, June 5, 2022

Announcements: Blake Tyndell

AM Prayers

PM Prayers

Johnny Thomas

Jimmy Smith

Mike Raney

Derrell Patterson

AM Communion and offering

Thomas McGee

Jamey Thomas

Micah Thomas

PM Communion: Jamey Thomas

Pick up cards: Logan Wages

Servants, June 12, 2022

Announcements: Blake Tyndell

AM Prayers

PM Prayers

Ben Dooley

Derrell Patterson

Jody Thomas

Mike Raney

AM Communion and offering

Thomas McGee

Jamey Thomas

Micah Thomas

PM Communion: Jamey Thomas

Pick up cards: Gavin Cauley

If for some reason you cannot serve, please call Mike Raney-903-559-4141, or John D. Thomas-903-490-5572

Please Pray for



Wyvon May

Don Grider

Faith Salfen

Mary Hankins

Tim White

Janet Russell

John Seagraves

Blake Drinkard

James Love

Marc Higgs

Dale Stephens

Peyton Clark

Stephen Fillingame

David Shute

Robin Upson

Kimberly (Shute)

McDaniel

Keith & Helen Clark

Cayden Harris

Vinson Hardage

Jon Schwiethale

Norma Crawford

Henry Murray

Winnie Tucker

Gerald Watkins

Virginia Parrish

Marie Robertson

Glenda May

Gayle Floyd

Notices/Reminders/Thanks

1. There will be a diaper shower honoring Brooke Duffer Carr at 2:00 pm on **June 5, 2022**, in the multipurpose room of the New Boston church of Christ. A baby girl is expected.
2. Monday evenings (starting in June), area youth meetings with the NE TX Summer Youth Series are hosted by neighboring congregations. Anyone who would like to attend can arrange for transportation in the church van. **June 6th** Youth Series meeting will be at Oak Grove near Mt. Pleasant. Our

Birthday for this week!

Janiece Richardson

June 5

own hosting of the Summer Youth Series will fall on July 11th. See June and July calendars or the "SYSNET" flyer on the bulletin board for other details. Meetings are all at 7pm

3. Beginning in June, Men's breakfasts will fall on the second Saturday of the month, so plan on this one **June 11th**.
4. We are striving toward a June 26th deadline for the new directory. Please continue to check on your information to ensure production of a useful tool for all of us by correcting and verifying your information.

Pantry Item: Ramen Noodles or

Canned Fruit

And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat. And, behold, a woman in the city, which was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster box of ointment, And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and began to wash his feet with tears, and did wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed his feet, and anointed them with the ointment. Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him saw it, he spake within himself, saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for she is a sinner. And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on. There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most? Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged. And he turned to the woman, and said unto Simon, Seest thou this woman? I entered into thine house, thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath washed my feet with tears, and wiped them with the hairs of her head. Thou gavest me no kiss: but this woman since the time I came in hath not ceased to kiss my feet. My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment. Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little. And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven. And they that sat at meat with him began to say within themselves, Who is this that forgiveth sins also? And he said to the woman, Thy faith hath saved thee; go in peace. (Luke 7:36-50).

This passage came to mind as I thought about grace—I know it's about mercy and forgiveness and other lessons specifically for the Pharisee, but the duality of grace and mercy is set in my mind, so that I make a lot of comparisons and contrasts between them. Just as it is true here the strength of love is determined by appreciation of forgiveness, strength of love is likewise determined by appreciation of the favor God bestows on us unworthy men. How great must God's love for us be (the GREATEST!) to give us so much, and forgive us (at all?) so much! Luke mentions "Many infallible proofs" regarding the resurrection, but we have "sufficient" (2 Tim 3:16-17) "many" (Luke 1:3) and "these...written" (John 20:31) evidences for God not made after the image of man, but ONE we must imitate in our finite capacities. JP