

THE FLOWS OF GRACE

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INTRODUCTION

We are in the midst of a series on the Grace of God – probably the single most important factor on our journey as sons of God. We concluded last week with the note that God tends to operate within a framework of **PERSON-PROCESS-PRODUCT**. Genesis 1:1 – God (person) created (process of 7 days) the heavens and the earth (the beautiful product). When God founded the Holy Nation, His starting point is Moses, a person, who prepares the people through the process of the wilderness until they reach their end in the Promised land. Therefore, in understanding what is Grace we start with who is Grace? Father is the God of all Grace who sent his Son to us full of Grace and truth from whom we receive Grace upon Grace through the Spirit of Grace.

From last week we focused on the process or operations of Grace. If we do not understand how a thing works, we could put a CD in a toaster and expect to hear some music – all we will get is toasted CDs. We noted that **Grace operates as the currency of the Kingdom through which we transact in the heavens and on earth**. Grace is the incomparable, immeasurable, invaluable, boundless, exceeding riches/wealth of the heavens. Christ referred to it as the 'treasures of the heavens that does not depreciate over time with rust.' All our needs are supplied/met in **according with the riches of God's glorious Grace in Christ**. There is bank account in our names – learn how to store the eternal treasures of Grace that does not pass away.

Today, I would like to speak on something that can be very easily overlooked concerning the operations of Grace. **That is the FLOWS of Grace!** I would like to show through the Scriptures that **Grace is not a static/stationary commodity but operates through an ordered and organized flow**. Similar to that of waves in water which we see in the oceans – water is set in motion and it creates waves; or air waves and sound waves which we do not see but hear and feel its effect through sounds of music; the head winds & tail winds which we experience when flying in a plane; and the flow of current that bring us power.

I am not surprised that when God releases a word of Grace – Acts 20 – his voice is the sound of many waters. Have you ever slept on the beach or close to it or went to a water falls and closed your eyes? This ought to change the way we interact with Grace. **Grace cannot remain stagnant so you cannot store/hoard it – like a river it will be dammed or like manna it goes rotten**. **What we are expected to do is become a conduit of Grace – a medium through which grace flows**. The flows of Grace can be disrupted like electricity that can be short-circuited or it can be harnessed by catching the right wave to your destination. Before we leave today, we should **understand how to come into the rhythms of Grace and exploit its energy**. Before, you get uncomfortable let us first go to the Word for supporting passages that undoubtedly speak of the flows of Grace in God.

1. Scriptural Exegesis

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Matthew 11:28-30, “Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me. Get away with me and you’ll recover your life. I’ll show you how to take a real rest. Walk with me and work with me—watch how I do it. Learn the unforced rhythms of grace. I won’t lay anything heavy or ill-fitting on you. Keep company with me and you’ll learn to live freely and lightly.” [MSG]

It is not far-fetched to acknowledge that Grace is a Flow – Active, Alive, Buoyant, Boisterous, Effervescent, Energetic – when we note that **the life of God that is shared with his sons is likened to a River...**

Psalms 46:1-5, God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. ² Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, ³ though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. ⁴ There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. ⁵ God is within her; she will not fall; God will help her at the break of day.’ NIV

Revelation 22:1-4, ‘Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, as clear as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb ² down the middle of the great street of the city. On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. ³ No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. ⁴ They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. ⁵ There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever.’ NIV

John 1 says IN Christ, the Word was life and that life was the light of men. Christ, the Word was made flesh...and we beheld the glory of the only begotten of the Father – full of Grace & Truth. And of his fullness we have received grace upon grace. **In him was the life of God and he came full of grace!** Do the sums...therefore, grace of God is the life that flows from God himself to His Family! Living water is flowing water from the Source!

2. Scientific Evidence

Let us examine a battery that provides energy that can be used to power a bulb/TV/stove or start/power a car or even a phone. From the outside it looks like one solid piece of static material. But what is on the inside – a totally different story. Anybody knows? **It has a liquid or a gel in which ions are moving and knocking each which cause the electrons to move in the circuit and power the phone.** Think about hydro-electric power stations. The force of flowing water turns the turbines to produce electricity. What about wind turbines? The force of flowing air turns the motors that produce electricity to cities. **It should not surprise us then the flow of Grace generates life that produces light!**

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3. Spiritual Enterprise

- **If Grace Flows...then we must train our spirit to catch its wave and harness its energy.** If you ever go to the beach, watch the surfers. They will be belly-down on their boards patiently scouting the waters. When they pick up a certain vibration, they stand erect on their board in anticipation & readiness for the wave. When it emerges, they ride the crest of the waves and glide effortlessly to their destination. **They expend no energy, burn no fuel, use no resource but move from point A to point B.** Jesus rebuked the religious who knew how to study the skies for predicting weather patterns but were dumb in discerning the ebb and flows of God's Presence. Let's put it bluntly, **if God did not show up and move amongst us would we know it?** And when Grace is flowing - our turbines ready to harness its energy? A one-year-old Christian feels the prompt of the Spirit while in Church and in that week does exactly what the Lord asked at a huge cost! **When the angel stirs the waters of your spirit – your miracle is imminent if you act in obedience!**
- **If Grace Flows...then we must ensure there are no blockages that hampers its movement.** Blockages in the arteries hinders the flow of blood and causes heart attacks. **Spiritual cholesterol is even more deadly for it short circuits the flow of Grace** = no life-no light! God resists the proud but gives grace to the humble; works of self-righteousness clogs the flow – not of works that anyone should boast; religious ritual – observance to law but no heart of obedience is a stench to God (tombs filled with rotting carcasses); if we regard iniquity in heart, God will disconnect and disengage....**Grace Flows requires Pure Conduits! Above all else guard your heart with all diligence for out of it flow the wellspring of life! Angiogram!**
- **If Grace Flows – then we must stay connected to the Source.** Power flows to our devices only because it is connected to a source of energy. **You can run on batteries but that is only a resource** – stamina, adrenalin, dopamine, endorphins are all resources. Ultimately, those batteries need to be recharged. For this reason, we sleep for 8 hours a night – to re-charge our body batteries. If you drive a hybrid or electric vehicle, you have to ensure the batteries are recharged either by the engine or a charger. **What about our spiritual recharge?** How connected are we to Christ for a Grace download? How connected are we to His body – the official charging centre of Christ on the earth?