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Grace in the Old Testament

- **Chēn** (noun) - “grace/favor”, **Chānan** (verb) - “to be gracious”, **Channūn** (adjective) – “gracious”
- These terms carry the concept of favor, blessing, aid
- It sometimes involved favor based on worthiness
- **Chānan** “seems to be God’s favorable attitude that moves him to bless and answer prayer” (Cottrell, *God the Redeemer*, 364).



**Grace
Defined**

- Ex 34:6-7 6 Then the Lord passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The Lord, the Lord God, compassionate and **gracious**, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth; 7 who keeps lovingkindness for thousands, who forgives iniquity, transgression and sin..." NASU [**Num. 14:17-20; Neh. 9:17; Ps. 103:8-14**]

*Grace
Defined*

• **Grace in the New Testament**

- 1 Peter 5:10-11 10 After you have suffered for a little while, **the God of all grace**, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you. 11 To Him be dominion forever and ever. Amen. NASU
 - **Grace and God together in 120 of 147 verses**



*Grace
Defined*

- **Grace in the N.T. – Charis (Noun)**

- Balz and Schneider state: “It is used in non-Christian writings to refer to both ‘generosity’ and ‘gratitude,’ and also to ‘gracefulness’ and ‘beauty’ — thus to free, uncoerced, cheerfully bestowed openness toward one another, and thus in relationship to God both ‘salvation’ granted by him and human ‘thanks’” (Exegetical Dictionary N.T.).
- *Charis* is translated with such words as graciousness, favor, blessing, benefit, gift, joy, liberality, pleasure, kindness, and thanks.



*Grace
Defined*

- Titus 2:11-12
- **11 For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men, 12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, NASU**



*Grace
Displayed*

• Titus 3:4-8 4 But when **the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared**, 5 **He saved us**, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, 7 so that **being justified by His grace** we would be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life. NASU



**Grace
Displayed**

- John 1:14-18 14 And the **Word became flesh**, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of **the only begotten from the Father**, **full of grace and truth**. 15 John testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'" 16 For of His fullness we have all received, and **grace upon grace**. 17 For the Law was given through Moses; **grace and truth** were realized through Jesus Christ. 18 No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained Him. NASU [**cf. John 14:9**]



**Grace
Displayed**

- Rom 3:23-25 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 **being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus**; 25 **whom God displayed publicly** as a propitiation in His blood through faith... NASU
- Romans 5:8 But **God demonstrates His own love toward us**, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. NASU



*Grace
Displayed*

- Grace in the N.T. – *Charis* (Noun)

- *Charis* (noun) – 155 in 147 verses
- John (8x): John 4x, 2 John 2x, Rev 2x
- Peter (12x): 1 Pet 10x, 2 Pet 2x
- Luke (25x): Luke 8x, Acts 17x
- Paul (100/108x): Rom 24x, 2 Cor 18x, Eph 12x



**Grace
Described**

• **Ephesians 2:1-10**

- Paul summarizes all that God has done for believers with the phrase “**by grace you have been saved**” (2:5, 8; cf. 2:7).
 - **Before Grace (2:1-3)**
 - **After Grace (2:4-9)**
 - **In Grace (2:10)**

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- **BEFORE GRACE: Death**

- Eph 2:1-4 1 And you were **dead in your trespasses and sins**, 2 in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. 3 **Among them we too all formerly lived** in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature **children of wrath**, even as the rest. NASU



*Grace
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- Grace is “the one word which most vividly expresses God’s **unconditional, unmerited and uncaused** love and favor which he displays toward mankind in Christ” (Bratcher & Nida, 5).
- **Jack Cottrell describes grace as “favor bestowed when wrath is owed” (375).**

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- Eph 2:4-9 4 **But God**, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, **made us alive together with Christ** (by grace you have been saved), 6 and **raised us up with Him**, and **seated us with Him** in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing **riches of His grace** in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 **For by grace you have been saved through faith**; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.



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AFTER GRACE: Life

When Faith Meets Grace

- Ephesians 2:5-8
- 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us **alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)**, 6 and **raised us up with Him**, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 8 **For by grace you have been saved through faith...** NASU

- Col 2:12-13
- 12 having been buried with Him in **baptism**, in which you were also **raised up with Him through faith** in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead. 13 When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you **alive together with Him**, having forgiven us all our transgressions, NASU

Salvation

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Accepting



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The Gospel Re-enacted in Baptism

(Obeying The Gospel)

Romans 6:3-4

In Baptism

We Repent of Sin and Die to Sin
We are Buried in Water for the Remissions of Sin
We are Raised to Walk in a New Life



Dead to Sin



Buried in Water

Resurrected
to a New Life

Cross:
Grace
Displayed

Baptistery:
Grace
Obeyed

• IN GRACE: Good Works

- Eph 2:10 For we are His workmanship, **created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand so that **we would walk in them**. NASU
- Eph 4:29 Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will **give grace to those who hear**. NASU



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GRACE PRODUCES

- **GRATITUDE FOR HIM**
- **GRACEFUL LIVING IN HIM**
- **GLORY WITH HIM**

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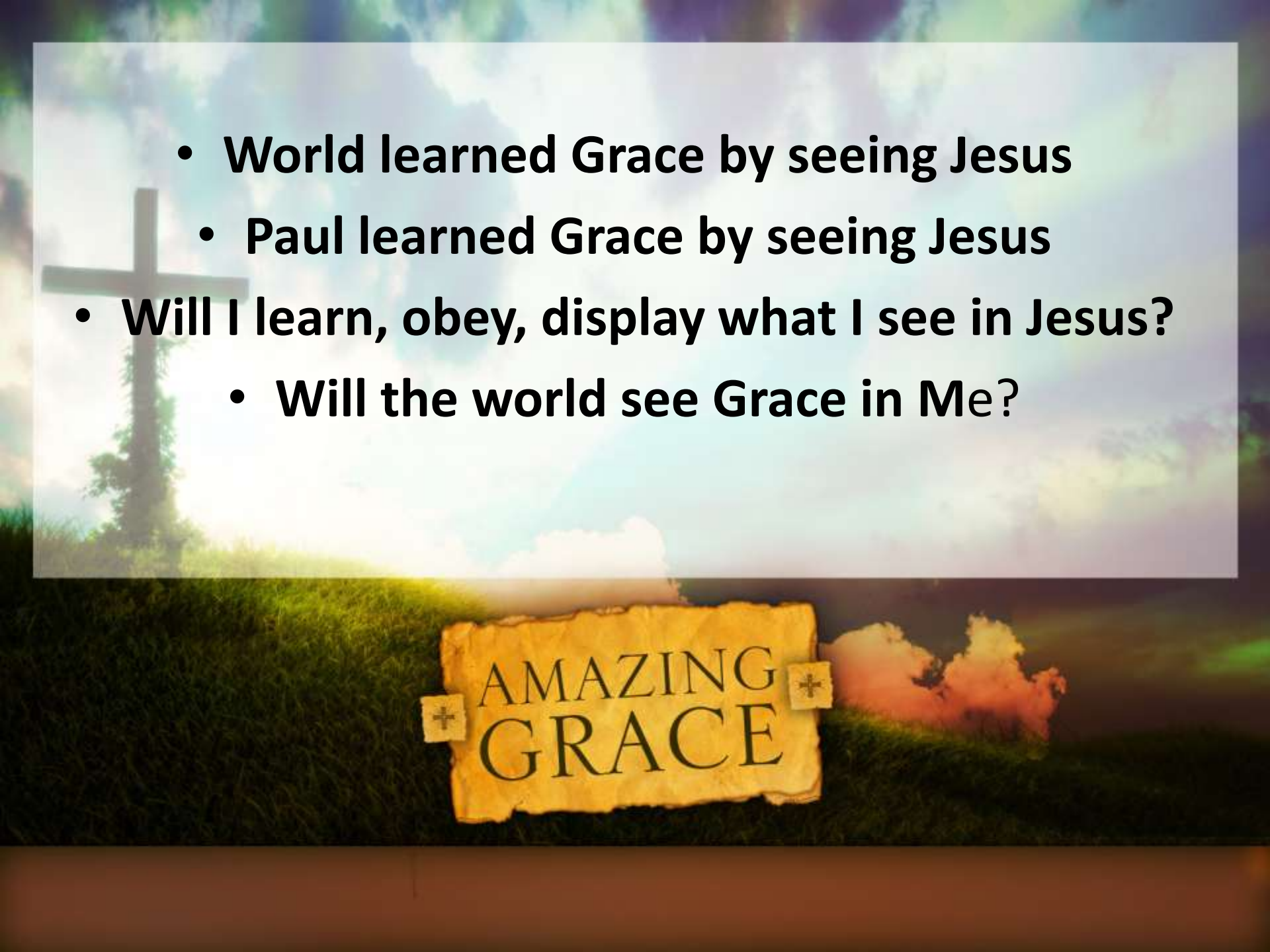
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When Paul Learned Grace

- **Ephesians 3:8**
- To me, the very least of all saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unfathomable riches of Christ, NASU
- **Acts 9:4**
- "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" NASU



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- **World learned Grace by seeing Jesus**
 - **Paul learned Grace by seeing Jesus**
 - **Will I learn, obey, display what I see in Jesus?**
 - **Will the world see Grace in Me?**

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