

# The Roots of Grace

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## 2 Timothy 1:9

<sup>9</sup> Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

## Romans 5:20-21

<sup>20</sup> Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

<sup>21</sup> That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Grace Is The Goodwill,  
Loving-Kindness, And  
Divine Favor By Which  
God, Exerts His Holy  
Influence Upon Souls:

By Grace, God Takes The Initiative To Reach You. By Grace, He Exerts His Holy Influence Over Your Souls.

Then Turns Them To  
Christ, Keeps Them, And  
Strengthens Them.

By The Same Grace, He  
Strengthens And  
Increases The Souls In The  
Christian Faith,  
Knowledge, And Affection.



He Also By The Same  
Grace, Kindles The Souls  
To The Exercise Of The  
Christian Virtues.

So, It Is Grace In Your  
Inception, Continuation,  
And Summation.

The Entire Christian  
Journey Is A  
Manifestation Of The  
Manifold Grace Of God.

Grace:

The Greek Lexicon Defines

Grace As:

God's Good Will.

His Loving-kindness And Favor <sup>13</sup>  
Which God Uses To Exert His Holy  
Influence Upon Our Souls, Turning  
Them To Christ, Keeping Them,  
Strengthening Them, Increasing  
Them In The Christian Faith,  
Knowledge, Affection, And Kindling  
Them To The Exercise Of The  
Christian Virtues.

So, Grace Is God  
Exercising His Love And  
Mercy Towards Us –  
Without Grace, No Man  
Can Live A Successful  
Christian Life

Grace Is God Choosing  
To Live Our Lives For Us  
– “No Longer I But  
Christ That Liveth In  
Me”.

For It Is God Which  
Worketh In You Both To  
Will And To Do Of His  
Good Pleasure.



Grace Takes You Above  
The Works Of  
Righteousness To  
Bringing Forth The Fruit  
Of The Spirit.

Grace Is You Ceasing  
That God May Take  
Over – Grace Causes  
The “I” To Cease.

## 62-1014M - The Stature Of A Perfect Man

350 If you die, you take the blood out of a man, you embalm him. Trouble of it is, a lot of them never got embalmed.

You take the blood out of the man, he's gone. Then the only thing you do is put another blood back in him; he's going to live again. You took his blood out.

351 And now we've put the  
Blood of Jesus Christ in, see, and  
that brings the faith of Jesus  
Christ, the virtue of Jesus Christ,  
the knowledge of Jesus Christ,

the temperance of Jesus  
Christ, the patience of Jesus  
Christ, the godliness of Jesus  
Christ, the brotherly kindness of  
Jesus Christ, and the love of  
God, which is Jesus Christ.

He's the Head and controls you.  
And your feet is the foundation,  
faith. Amen! Controlled by the  
Head, takes the...?...There you  
are. There is the perfect man of  
God, when he possesses these  
virtues.

352 Then, God, representing His Church as a Bride, a woman.  
God represents His Church as a Bride.....



Grace Reconstructs Our Lives –  
The Very Day Eve Fell, Grace  
Provided A Sheep Skin And  
Grace Promised “A Woman’s  
Seed” – Out Of The Imperfect  
To Come Forth The Perfect; That  
Is A Reflection Of Grace.

Through Life, We See People  
Living With Shadows Over  
Them And These Are  
Elements Of History Through  
This Pilgrim Journey.

And For God To Emphasize The Point, He Uses The Greatest Men And Women Of All Times Like Paul Who Had A Shadow That Always Appeared Before Him. He Told Timothy He Was A:

Blasphemer.

Persecutor.

Injurious.

And These Things Lived  
Before Him Regardless Of  
The Power Of The Blood  
And The Testimony Of  
Election.

These Things Stick In The  
Memory And The Devil Keeps  
Scooping Them Back  
Thinking That By Reciting  
Them Back, He Will Hinder  
The Manifestation Of Christ.

## CAB 07 – Sardisean

*“He that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars,”* Revelation 3:1. As this same Lord identified Himself with man in the incarnation,

He is again identifying Himself with man by His Spirit within man. “These are mine,” saith the Lord. The seven Spirit-filled messengers are the Lord’s.



They may be repudiated. They may be questioned. Indeed, to human minds they may not even seem to qualify — nevertheless, they are the messengers for their age.

God used an Abraham (he lied),  
He used a Moses (he rebelled), a  
Jonah (he disobeyed), a Samson  
(he sinned), a David (he  
murdered). He also used a  
Joshua, and a Joseph.

And those with severe blemishes far outnumber those whose histories seem to be perfect. ALL WERE, AND ARE HIS. None dare deny that. He used them by and through the Holy Spirit that He put within them.

To their own Master they stood or fell. And in them all was accomplished the sovereign will of God. Let external history attempt to refute this, it still stands.

The Eternal God still walks amongst the golden lamp stands and sends His messengers by His Spirit with the Word to the people of every age.

And Paul Says:  
Being Confident Of This Very  
Thing, That He Which Hath  
Begun A Good Work In You Will  
Perform It Until The Day Of  
Jesus Christ:

By Looking At Grace, We See  
That It Does Not Originate  
From Purity. The Roots Of  
Grace Are Rooted In God's  
Loving Kindness That Picks  
Us Up From Filth.

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.



Grace Did Not Come Our  
Way Because We Were  
Perfect. It Came Our Way  
Because We Were In Sin.

So, Brother Branham  
Clarifies Grace As  
Unmerited Mercy –  
Nobody Was Found  
Worthy.

But God Through Election  
Extends This Grace To You  
And This Grace Initiates  
God's Goodness In Our Lives,  
Sustains It And Accomplishes  
It.

We Don't Leave Grace At  
The Altar; It Goes All The  
Way With Us To The Body  
Change.

56-0603 - The Lamb's Book Of<sup>45</sup>  
Life

206....Not that we are worthy;  
we are unworthy. But through  
Your unmerited  
grace that we have through  
Thee, we believe that the work  
is finished.

Therefore, Grace Is  
Sovereign And Is Based  
On Election.

# 61-0827 - The Message Of Grace

130 Sovereign grace is from a s  
overeign One. Sovereign grace f  
rom a sovereign One. Sovereign  
, what can it do?

Sovereign can do whatever it wants to. Listen to this now. Sovereign grace can only be given by One that's Sovereign. And God is Sovereign, so He can give sovereign grace.



Therefore  
being Sovereign, grace don't have  
to ask anybody, it don't have  
to. It does what it wants to. Isn't  
that wonderful? It don't have to  
ask, "Can I do *this*? Or, shall  
I do *this*? Can I? Must I? Will  
I?" Doesn't do it.

It does it itself.

Grace is Sovereign, therefore

He can save the vilest,

He can save the worst,

He can save the

impurest, He can save the

immoralest, He can heal the

sickest. Hallelujah!

131 He can save a wretch like me. And He did. What is it? Grace! William Branham, a drunkard's son. That don't make any difference, the grace of God saved me!

132 “Me, I’m a woman’s daughter that was no good.” Don’t make any difference, the grace of God saved you. It’s Sovereign, has to ask nobody nothing. Amen! I’m so glad of that. Hallelujah!

133 Can take the vilest sinner  
and make him white as snow,  
don't have to ask anybody  
about it. Oh, It can do it  
because It's Sovereign. ....

The Root Of Grace Is God's  
Love Descending Towards A  
Man In Sin Who Cannot Save  
Himself And Yet He Has His  
Name On The Lamb's Book  
Of Life.

Jehovah Comes Down And He  
Raises A Prostitute To Sin No  
More. He Comes Down To The  
Drunkard With Flyblows On  
His Face As He Lay  
Unconscious In The Gutter.

That Is Grace.



Let Us Look At The Wave  
Sheave Here:

When Israel Waved Her  
Sheaves Of The First Fruit,  
They Were Prophesying Of  
The Resurrection Of Christ  
Who Is The First Fruit From  
Among The Dead.

The Bible Then Says, That  
Wave Sheave Was Christ  
Being Accepted On Behalf Of  
The Rest Of The Body – That  
Is Grace.

Because He Was Accepted, I  
Am Accepted In The Beloved.

Our Spiritual Man Operates  
From The Heavenly Places In  
Christ Jesus.

## Leviticus 23:10-11

<sup>10</sup> Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

<sup>11</sup> And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

Because He Was Accepted, I Am<sup>63</sup>  
Accepted With Him.

I Died With Him And Rose Again  
With Him.

I Am Baptized Into The Power Of  
His Resurrection.

## Leviticus 23:15-17

<sup>15</sup> And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; seven sabbaths shall be complete:



<sup>16</sup> Even unto the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall ye number fifty days; and ye shall offer a new meat offering unto the LORD.

<sup>17</sup> Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave loaves of two tenth deals; they shall be of fine flour; they shall be baked with leaven; they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

The Wheat That Comes From  
The Wave Sheave Had To Be  
Ground Into Fine Flour To Bake  
Loaves That Would Be Accepted  
As The First Fruits Unto The  
Lord.

The Loaves Were The New  
Testament Body That  
Comprised Both Hebrews  
And The Gentiles.

These Two Loaves Were  
Baked With Leaven.

Leaven There Is God  
Receiving You At The  
Strength Of Grace.

He knows your weakness but while we were yet in the mess of sin, He chose us so that the Holy Spirit in your life could do a cleansing job.

That Is Grace.



## Leviticus 23:18-20

<sup>18</sup> And ye shall offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish of the first year, and one young bullock, and two rams: they shall be for a burnt offering unto the LORD, with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of sweet savour unto the LORD.

<sup>19</sup> Then ye shall sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offering, and two lambs of the first year for a sacrifice of peace offerings.

<sup>20</sup> And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs: they shall be holy to the LORD for the priest.

They Shall Be Holy – When I  
See The Blood Of Sacrifice, I  
Will Receive You Into The  
Potter's House Which Is Full  
Of The Power Of  
Transformation.

Job 14:4

<sup>4</sup> Who can bring a clean thing  
out of an unclean? not one.

No One Can Bring  
Something Clean Out Of The  
Unclean – Man Cannot Save  
Himself Therefore, Grace  
Must Root Out Through That  
Filth.

By The Feast Of Pentecost,  
God Was Pointing Out The  
Supreme Grace He Was  
Going To Reveal In Christ.

Who Can Bring A Clean  
Thing Out Of An Unclean?  
Not One.



The Answer Is Sovereign  
Grace From A Sovereign  
One That Can Make Israel  
Out Of A Filthy Jacob.

(For The Children Being Not Yet Born, Neither Having Done Any Good Or Evil, That The Purpose Of God According To Election Might Stand, Not Of Works, But Of Him That Calleth;)

## 61-0423 - Abraham And His Seed After Him

21...God calls the church by His grace. If it wasn't today for the grace of God, you'd be out here in the rain watching the ball game somewhere.

You'd be out here on the highway<sup>84</sup>  
running  
around. You'd be in a  
barroom somewhere, be out with  
some man's wife, or some  
woman's  
husband. You'd be a—out in the  
world.

But it's by the calling  
and grace of God, that He's  
changed your minds, and made  
you new creatures in Christ  
Jesus, and our soul looks up to  
Him today with  
expectations of His coming.

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Loving-kindness And  
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And Affection.

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Grace, Kindles The Souls  
To The Exercise Of The  
Christian Virtues.

This Grace Lifts Us From  
Leavened Lamps Of Sin To  
Unleavened Lamps Of  
Righteousness.

# The Roots Of Grace:

There Are Some People Who  
Think They Can Never Be  
Saved In The Condition They  
Are In.

They have killed.

They have done all the evil there  
is to do.

And They Have Come To  
Church And Sometimes  
Lived In Here, But They  
Have Never Rested From  
Their Past.

They Carry The Burden Of  
Guilt Each Time A Minister  
Stands Here And Because  
Of That, They Skip  
Services.

But By Looking At The Roots  
Of Grace And Remembering  
The Words Of Job That -  
Who Can Bring A Clean  
Thing Out Of An Unclean?  
Not One.



We Can Have The  
Confidence In The God  
Who Is Rich In Mercy.

Let Us Bring In Moab  
Here:

The Bible In Genesis 19 Speaks  
Of The Fall Of Lot Fleeing The  
Fire Of Sodom And Settling In  
The Caves Near Zoar.

There, His Daughters Make  
Him Drunk And Then Make  
Him Lie With Them Because  
Where They Went, There  
Was No Men To Give Them  
Children.

And The Firstborn Bare A  
Son, And Called His Name  
Moab: The Same Is The  
Father Of The Moabites  
Unto This Day.

And The Younger, She Also  
Bare A Son, And Called His  
Name Benammi: The Same Is  
The Father Of The Children  
Of Ammon Unto This Day.

Those Are Filthy Stories,  
But I Want You To Store  
Them Because We Are  
Talking About The Roots  
Of Grace.

I Want You To Know That The  
Old Testament Was A Drama  
That Portrayed The Coming  
Christ And His Grace.



## 1 Peter 1:10-12

<sup>10</sup> Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:

<sup>11</sup> Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.

These Prophets Sometimes:

Saw Vision.

Heard Voices.

And Sometimes Lived Prophetic  
Lives.

1 Peter 1:12

<sup>12</sup> Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

Their Lives Spoke To Us  
About The Coming Christ  
And That Is Why We Can  
Understand Grace Through  
The Unclean Shadows Of The  
Bible.

And On The Other Hand,  
These Prophets Spoke Of  
The Coming Christ The  
Author Of Eternal Grace.

## John 1:17

<sup>17</sup> For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

The Grace Of God Came  
Through Dirty Channels In  
Order To Bring The Purity  
That The Bride Must Be.



Perfect.

Robed In Garments Of  
Righteousness.

Without Spot Or Wrinkle.

Looking At It In That Form,  
We Need To Allow Christ To  
Begin With Our Filth And  
Out Of Us, God Will Bring A  
Perfect Bride Without Spot  
Of Wrinkle.

## Matthew 1:2-6

<sup>2</sup> Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren;

<sup>3</sup> And Judas begat Phares and  
Zara of Thamar; and Phares  
begat Esrom; and Esrom begat  
Aram;

<sup>4</sup> And Aram begat Aminadab;  
and Aminadab begat Naasson;  
and Naasson begat Salmon;

<sup>5</sup> And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;

Rahab there is a dirty channel,  
she was a prostitute.

Ruth there was also a dirty  
channel, she was a Moabite  
woman.

## Matthew 1:6

<sup>6</sup> And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Urias;



Solomon's Mother Was A  
Dirty Channel; She Was  
Uria's Wife.

All The Men Were Okay But  
Some Of These Women  
Were Not.

These Women Represent  
You The Church Of Jesus  
Christ. The Dirty Channel  
That Christ Wants To Marry  
So That He Can Be Born In  
You.

Washed By A Marriage:

All These Women Were  
Washed By A Relationship  
With The Root And Offspring  
Of David And So Will This  
Bride Be.

We Are Washed By A  
Marriage And By The  
Marriage To Christ, We Share  
With Him His Character And  
All That He Is.

But Now We See Him In The  
Church, Sharing His Own  
Holiness With Us, Until In  
Him We Have Become The  
Very Righteousness Of God.

Yes, And There He Stands, "Jesus,  
Perfect Everything,"--lily Of The  
Valley, The Bright And Morning  
Star, The Fairest Of Ten Thousand,  
Alpha And Omega, Root And  
Offspring Of David, Father, Son  
And Holy Ghost--the All And In All.

Rahab was washed by a marriage.

Ruth was washed by a marriage.

Bathsheba was washed by a marriage.



That Is Sovereign Grace  
From A Sovereign One.

## Ruth 2:2-3

<sup>2</sup> And Ruth the Moabite said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

<sup>3</sup> And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

This Is The Message Of Grace  
Bringing You Into A Marriage  
Relationship With God.

And Remember That This  
Was A Moabitic Woman –  
She Come Through The  
Sin Of Lot And His  
Daughter.

The Marriage Of Grace  
Washed Them.

## Ephesians 5:25-27

<sup>25</sup> Husbands, love your wives,  
even as Christ also loved the  
church, and gave himself for it;

<sup>26</sup> That he might sanctify and  
cleansse it with the washing of  
water by the word,



<sup>27</sup> That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Christ Calls You Saying,  
“Come Unto Me All Ye Who  
Are Messed Up By Sin” – I  
Will Get To Wash You In A  
Marriage Relationship Thou  
Filthy Gentile Woman.

Grace Will Pick You And  
Place You Into A Washing  
Relationship.

The Woman Caught In  
Adultery Was Brought  
Into A Washing  
Relationship – Go And Sin  
No More.

Those Are The Roots Of Grace.

Matthew Chapter 9, They  
Brought A Man Sick Of Palsy  
And When He Saw Their Faith,  
He Said, “Son, Be Of Good  
Cheer; Thy Sins Be Forgiven  
Thee”.

He Was Brought Into A Washing  
Relationship And When The  
People Mummered, He Said,  
“For Whether Is Easier, To Say,  
Thy Sins Be Forgiven Thee; Or To  
Say, Arise, And Walk?

Grace Washed And  
Healed.



## Luke 7:39

<sup>39</sup> 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.

The pharisees did not understand the roots of grace. Grace roots from evil in order to dress us with His own righteousness.

When Paul Teaches Grace, He Calls Him The “God Who Is Rich In Mercy”.

What Is Your Condition? – We Have A God Who Is Rich In Mercy.

## Luke 7:40-48

<sup>40</sup> And Jesus answering said unto him, Simon, I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith, Master, say on.

<sup>41</sup> There was a certain creditor which had two debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the other fifty.

<sup>42</sup> And when they had nothing to pay, he frankly forgave them both. Tell me therefore, which of them will love him most?

<sup>43</sup> Simon answered and said, I suppose that he, to whom he forgave most. And he said unto him, Thou hast rightly judged.

<sup>44</sup> 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.



<sup>45</sup> Thou gavest me no kiss: but  
this woman since the time I  
came in hath not ceased to kiss  
my feet.

<sup>46</sup> My head with oil thou didst  
not anoint: but this woman hath  
anointed my feet with ointment.

<sup>47</sup> 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.

<sup>48</sup> And he said unto her, Thy sins are forgiven.

Paul Says, “But Where  
Sin Abounded, Grace  
Did Much More  
Abound”.

Grace Is Rooted In Your  
Weakness.

Grace Picks You Up And  
Brings You Into A Washing  
Relationship By Marriage.

Grace Does Not Look At  
How Good You Are But  
Rather Goes Back Into The  
Lamb's Book Of Life To  
See Whether Your Name Is  
In There.

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Once He Sees Your Name, He  
Pronounces That The  
Marriage Of The Lamb Is  
Come.

In Grace, God Takes The  
Initiative To Reach You.



By Grace, He Exerts His Holy  
Influence Over Your Souls.

Then Turns Them To Christ,  
Keeps Them And  
Strengthens Them.

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Christian Faith, Knowledge  
And Affection.

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To The Exercise Of The  
Christian Virtues.

## Romans 6:1-2

1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Grace Brings Us In Not To  
Keep Us In Sin But To  
Exert A Holy Influence  
Over Us.

# Grace Blesses Us In Our Christian Walk:

## 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

<sup>6</sup> But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

<sup>7</sup> Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.



<sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Grace Supplies Our  
Needs

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Life

167 Young man, young woman,  
this morning, or you old man or  
woman, who never been a  
Christian, God has continually  
knocked at your heart.

[Brother Branham knocked on the pulpit—Ed.] Oh, yes, you might come in at the end of the road, but you'll have no joy. There'll be no stars around you to shine. I don't want to stand like that.

168 I want to hear Him say, “It was well done, My good and faithful servant.” I want to show Him my appreciation.

169 My poor, little, old  
gray-headed wife, how would I  
love to do something for her,  
that I know she likes, because I  
love her, and I know she loves  
me.

And if I'd do that for my wife, in<sup>175</sup>  
the human love, what ought I to  
do, to know that God, by  
grace, before the foundation of  
the world, seen me; a poor, little  
sinner staggering, and was  
going to hell and couldn't help  
it?

And He foreordained me, and  
put my name in the Lamb's  
Book of Life before the  
foundation of the world. Oh, I  
love Him! There's no way at all,  
of ever telling...?...



No wonder the Bible said, “Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, neither has it entered into the hearts of man.” Oh, my! How glorious God is! Don’t you want to trust Him, if you are weary and tossed about?

# 56-0603 - The Lamb's Book Of<sup>178</sup> Life

176 Someday, sitting yonder on  
the celestial hills of Glory, where  
the sun will never go down in  
that City, where the saints are  
already shouting, those old  
heroes of the Faith,

looking back down in those places yonder, and seeing our path, made of Glory. I want to sit with them, and see that I've put my head up in the air and trusted God, and walked on, in the time of storm. Oh, my!