

AMAZING GRACE...

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INTRODUCTION:

A. Read the text: *Romans 5:20-6:2*.

B. Regarding the text:

1. Today's world needs the grace of God as revealed in the Bible.
 - 1) Introduced into a world given over to sin nearly 2,000 years ago.
 - 2) It met the problem of sin then and can do it now.
2. Today's world needs to know two great facts about God's grace.

DISCUSSION: IN THIS LESSON WE OBSERVE...

I. GRACE IS GOD'S ANSWER TO SIN (ROM. 5:20-21).

A. Please note: *GOD'S* answer to sin!

B. Grace is the cure and not cause of condemnation (*John 3:16-18*).

1. Will men be lost because they do not obey gospel?
2. Are men condemned because they do not know God?
 - 1) **2 Thess. 1:7-10**.
 - 2) Would it be better never to teach the unbeliever? (**Mark 16:15-16; 2 Tim. 2:2**).
3. If we are seriously ill, is it wise to refuse the prescribed medication? (**Ezek. 18:4, 20; Rom. 6:23**).

C. Grace includes responsibility (*Titus 2:11-12*).

1. Grace does not free us from keeping the law (**Rom. 3:27; James 1:25; 2:12; Jude 4**).
2. God's grace does not free us from obedience.
 - 1) Noah was saved by grace and obedience (**Gen. 6:8; 22; Heb. 11:7**).
 - 2) The Ephesians were saved by grace and obedience (**Eph. 2:8-10**).
 - 3) The Romans saved by grace and obedience (**Rom. 5:2**).
 - 4) We are saved by grace and obedience (**Eph. 2:8**).

D. Grace excludes boasting on our part (*Eph. 2:8-9*).

1. We do not earn salvation by good works alone (**2 Tim. 1:9**).
 - 1) Good works will not offset the bad. The blood of Christ must be applied.
 - 2) Sin keeps us from receiving salvation (**Rom. 3:23; 6:23**).
 - 3) We have redemption because Christ paid the price (**Rom. 5:6-8**).
2. We do not merit salvation when we obey the gospel of Christ (**Luke. 17:10**).

II. GRACE IS NOT OUR LICENSE TO SIN (ROM. 6:1-2).

A. Christians who keep on sinning insult God's grace (*Heb. 10:26-29*).

1. We can receive the grace of God in vain (**2 Cor. 6:1**).
2. We can fall from God's grace (**Gal. 5:4**).
3. We are to avoid sin, but when we do sin, we must avail ourselves to God's grace (**1 John 1:7-2:1**).

B. We cannot omit obedience and say we will just rely upon God's grace (*Luke 17:10; 1 John 5:2-3*).

III. CONCLUSION:

A. To reject the gospel is to reject the grace of God (*Gal. 1:6*).

B. To reject the gospel is to remain lost in sin. (*2 Thess. 1:7-9; Mark 16:15-16*).