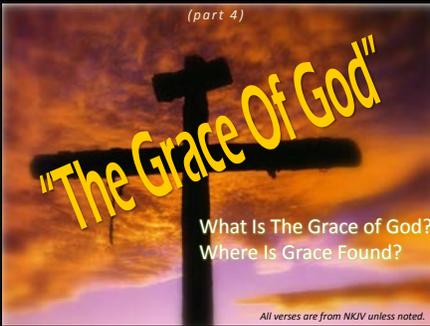


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<p>Slide 3</p>	<p>C. H. SPURGEON</p> <p><i>"I have my own opinion that there is no such thing as preaching Christ and him crucified, unless we preach what nowadays is called Calvinism. It is a nickname to call it Calvinism; Calvinism is the gospel, and nothing else. I do not believe we can preach the gospel if we do not preach justification by faith without works; nor unless we preach the sovereignty of God in His dispensation of grace; nor unless we exalt the electing unchangeable eternal, immutable, conquering love of Jehovah; nor do I think we can preach the gospel unless we base it upon the special and particular redemption of His elect and chosen people which Christ wrought out upon the cross."</i></p> <p><small>C. H. Spurgeon, Autobiography: Volume 1 - The Early Years (Banner of Truth, 2005 reprint), p 168.</small></p>	
<p>Slide 4</p>	<p>THEN JAMES DID NOT PREACH THE GOSPEL!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • "But do you want to know, O foolish man, that faith without works is dead? Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered Isaac his son on the altar? Do you see that faith was working together with his works, and by works faith was made perfect?" (Jas. 2:20-22) • "You see then that a man is justified by works, and not by faith only" (Jas. 2:24) • "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also" (Jas. 2:26) <p><i>"I do not believe we can preach the gospel if we do not preach justification by faith without works" (C. H. Spurgeon)</i></p>	
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<p>Slide 6</p>	<p>THEN JUDE DID NOT PREACH THE GOSPEL!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life” (Jude 20, 21; cf. 1 Jn. 2:5) <p><i>“nor unless we exalt the electing unchangeable eternal, immutable, conquering love of Jehovah” (C. H. Spurgeon)</i></p>	
<p>Slide 7</p>	<p>BUT GOD’S CHOSEN PEOPLE ARE THOSE WHO WILL ANSWER THE GOSPEL CALL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “...brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth, to which He called you by our gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ” (2 Thess. 2:13, 14) <p><i>“nor do I think we can preach the gospel unless we base it upon the special and particular redemption of His elect and chosen people which Christ wrought out upon the cross” (C. H. Spurgeon)</i></p>	<p>Calvinism teaches that Jesus died only for the elect and not all men.</p> <p>Those who obtain the glory of the Lord are those who answer the call of the gospel. The gospel is “truth” and so when people believe the truth and obey it, then they are ready for the glory of the Lord. God chose that people who be sanctified by the Spirit and believe the truth. Those who answer the gospel call are such.</p> <p>Further, that some are elected does not mean they cannot fall away (1 Thess. 1:4, 3:1-5).</p>
<p>Slide 8</p>	<p>THEN PETER AND JOHN DID NOT PREACH THE GOSPEL!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Then Peter opened his mouth and said: ‘In truth I perceive that God shows NO PARTIALITY. But in every nation whoever fears Him and works righteousness is accepted by Him” (Acts 10:34, 35) • “And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world” (1 Jn. 2:2; cf. Jn. 1:29) <p><i>“nor do I think we can preach the gospel unless we base it upon the special and particular redemption of His elect and chosen people which Christ wrought out upon the cross” (C. H. Spurgeon)</i></p>	
<p>Slide 9</p>	<p>THEN PAUL DID NOT PREACH THE GOSPEL!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time” (1 Tim. 2:5, 6) • “...we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe” (1 Tim. 4:10) <p><i>“nor do I think we can preach the gospel unless we base it upon the special and particular redemption of His elect and chosen people which Christ wrought out upon the cross” (C. H. Spurgeon)</i></p>	<p>What Christ wrought upon the cross is the means to save all men. It is up to them to come to Him or not.</p>

<p>Slide 10</p>	<h2 style="color: orange;">What is The Grace of God?</h2> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GRACE—<i>What?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unmerited favor from God, undeserved kindness • Good-will • Mercy • OF GOD—<i>From?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Father (Rom. 1:7) • The Son (Rom. 16:20) • The Holy Spirit (Heb. 10:29) 	<p>This is more of a generic answer. We will look at a more specific answer in a moment.</p>
<p>Slide 11</p>	<p>WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE TRUE GRACE OF GOD</p> <p style="color: orange;">“By Silvanus, our faithful brother as I consider him, I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God in which you stand” (1 Pet. 5:12)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grace of God does not remove suffering from the Christian (see 5:10). Those who allow tribulation to separate us from the love of God are not keeping their eyes focused on where Grace leads. The grace of God calls us to eternal glory. But it is the world that heaps upon us suffering (5:9; Jn. 16:33). So grace sees us through suffering and makes us yet better (5:10). 2. There is something called the true grace of God. This implies there is a false grace which people have crafted. The true grace of God is something in which we stand. So what is it?
<p>Slide 12</p>	<p>WHERE IS THE GRACE OF GOD FOUND?</p>	<p>The Grace of God is what it is found in. The answer: The Gospel... So asking what is the grace of God and where is it found is essentially the same answer.</p>
<p>Slide 13</p>	<p>THE GOSPEL!</p>	
<p>Slide 14</p>	<h3 style="color: orange;">Grace & Gospel Connection</h3> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acts 20:24, “But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.” • Galatians 1:6, “I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel” 	<p>Note: “word of His grace” (Acts 14:3; 20:32). Gal. 1:6, Note, we are called into grace. To receive the benefits of grace, we must follow the true gospel or we become accursed.</p>

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<p>Slide 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">THE ONLY WAY TO REALLY KNOW THE GRACE OF GOD IS THROUGH THE GOSPEL</p> <p>8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner, but share with me in the sufferings for the gospel according to the power of God,</p> <p>9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began,</p> <p>10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(2 Tim. 1:8-10)</p>	<p>These things are brought to light through the gospel! The grace of Jesus Christ is also brought through the gospel.</p>				
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<p>Slide 21</p>	<p>IN SHORT: THE GRACE OF GOD IS THE GOSPEL!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The grace of God is the life and sacrifice of Jesus Christ (Heb. 2:9; 1 Cor. 15:1-4) • The grace of God is the giving of God's word for mankind to read and understand the nature and will of God (Acts 14:3; 20:32; Titus 2:11, 12) • The grace of God is the salvation God extends to the world (1 Pet. 1:10-12) 	
<p>Slide 22</p>	<p>IF YOU HAVE NOT OBEYED THE GOSPEL, YOU CAN BE BAPTIZED INTO HIS GRACE TODAY!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you believe Jesus is the Son of God (Mark 16:16) • If you are willing to repent of sin (Acts 2:38) • If you are willing to confess Jesus as the Son of God (Acts 8:36-38) 	
<p>Slide 23</p>	<p>ROMANS 6:3</p> <p>"Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?"</p> 	