

# SAVING GRACE

## Discussion Questions

DQ: If grace is “being blessed when you don’t deserve it”, what are some acts of grace that you’ve experienced in your own life either from God or others?

*"The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love."*  
Ps. 145:8 (NIV)

DQ: What are some Bible stories where this scripture is demonstrated?

## **God's gift to you**

*"All of us need to be made right with God by His grace, which is a free gift ... through Jesus Christ."*  
Romans 3:24 (NCV)

DQ: What are some signs in a person’s life when they begin to realize that they need to be made right with God?

DQ: Randy said that his five year old granddaughter whipped out her checkbook to pay him back for his birthday present (laughter). Why do you think many people struggle with grace being a free gift?

## **Received through faith**

*"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith --- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God -- not by works, so that no one can boast."* Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)

DQ: So if we got to heaven on merit, who do you think would be most tempted to be a braggart, Peter, Paul or Mary?

DQ: Since spiritual pride is so misplaced why do you think it is so common?

*"People receive God's promise by having faith. This happens so the promise can be a free gift."*  
Romans 4:16a (NCV)

## **Anyone qualifies**

*"The promise is not only for those people that live under the law of Moses. It is for anyone who lives with faith like Abraham."* Romans 4:16b (NCV)

*"Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."* Romans 10:13 (NIV)

## **Comes through Jesus Christ**

*"The law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ."* John 1:17 (NCV)

*"... many people have received God's gift of life by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ."* Romans 5:15b (NCV)

*"[Don't] treat the grace of God as meaningless. For if we could be saved by keeping the law, then there was no need for Christ to die." Gal. 2:21 (NLT)*

DQ: What are the markers in a person's life when they take the grace of God as very meaningful?

DQ: Which of these markers would you most like to grow in this summer?

## **Eternal**

*"The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord."*  
Romans 6:23 (NLT)

### How Will I Respond to God's Saving Grace?

*"The Lord longs to be gracious to you." Isa. 30:18*  
*"You are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus, for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ." Galatians 3:26*