

Amazed by Grace – Week 2 – 4-7-24 – Pastor Guy

1. Have you ever been amazed by grace in your life?
2. If you are a Christian, what is your story before receiving Jesus, when you received Jesus, and after you received Jesus?
3. Looking back, when in your life can you see grace in each of these times? (Before, during & after receiving Jesus)

Ephesians 2:8-9 - For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, ⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

4. According to the above verses what is required of us to be saved?
5. What is not required for us to be saved?
6. What does salvation cost us?
7. What did our salvation cost God?

Ephesians 2:10 - For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

8. Why should we do good works if they don't save us?
9. Do you think that God cares if we are good or not? Why or why not?
10. Looking back on your life, what are some of the key moments when you experienced grace?
 - Was there ever a time when you could have died but didn't?
 - What circumstances brought you to Jesus?
 - Who was involved in you coming to Jesus?

Acts 1:8 – But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Matthew 28:19-20 - Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

11. How do you feel about Jesus words above for you to be a witness for him?
12. What are your thoughts about receiving power, and Jesus' companionship in being a witness?

1 Peter 3:15 - But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect.

Colossians 4: 3-6 - And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. ⁴ Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. ⁵ Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. ⁶ Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

13. Would you say that you are prepared to give a reason for the hope you have in Jesus?
14. Do you think that other people look at your life and see that you have hope?
15. Are you living out the B.L.E.S.S. principles intentionally with someone around you? Who?

- B. – Begin with praying for someone who needs Jesus.
- L. – Take time to listen to others and care about what they care about.
- E. – Eat with others, invite people into your home, or to lunch, or out for coffee.
- S. – Serve others, who around you could use a hand?
- S. – Share your story, what makes you tick? How has Jesus impacted your life?

16. Who will you B.L.E.S.S. this week?