

Sermon Application Sheet

October 22, 2017

Sermon Outline

- I. **Why Do We Need Grace?**
 - A. We Are Incapable of Good
 - B. We Are Enslaved
- II. **What is Grace?**
 - A. It is Undeserved
 - B. It is God's Love
- III. **What Does Grace Do?**
 - A. Grace Saves
 - B. Grace Equips

Application Questions

1. Why is it important that we understand we need grace? If we don't acknowledge our need, how does that affect the way we treat others? The way we think about God?

2. Some speak of grace as a help that God gives to those who obey Him. What does that thinking do to our evangelism? To life in the Church?

3. Why is it important to know that grace equips us?

Ephesians 2:1–10 (ESV)

¹ And you were dead in the trespasses and sins ² in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— ³ among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. ⁴ But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ 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.