How Great is Our God – John 1:14, 16, 17

**Focal Truth: The glory of God is revealed in the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ**

Do ever think about the grace of God that has been shown to you?

Why would God be gracious to us when we sin so much?

Will there ever be a time when God will not be gracious to us?

Who needs the grace of God?

Ex 33:18 - Moses asked God to show him His Glory

*Show me your Glory*

Ex 34:6 -7 God declared His character to Him which is His glory

*The Lord, The Lord God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth, who keeps lovingkindness for thousands, who forgive iniquity, transgression and sin…*

John 1:14 – God has shown His glory in Jesus Christ who came to the world as a man

*And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth*

**Today we consider the glory of God in the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ**

**Grace = favor, undeserved favor from God toward a sinner**

**Observations**

1. God’s glory of grace is revealed only through Jesus Christ 1:14

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1. The Lord Jesus came from God as a man to live among us – as one of us
2. The Lord Jesus in His life revealed the glory of God in His words & works
3. The Lord Jesus is filled with grace & truth

 Col. 1:19 – *it was the Father’s good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in*

 *Him*

 Col 2:9 – *for in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form*

The fullness of God’s character is in the Lord Jesus Christ – “if you have seen Me you have seen the Father”

1. God’s glory of grace is given only through Jesus Christ 1:16

*For of His fullness we have all received and grace upon grace*

1. The grace of God is a gift from God – of His fullness we have all received

 Fullness of His compassion, grace, patience, love, forgiveness…

 Eph. 2:8 – for By Grace are you saved that not of yourselves it is the gift of

 God

1. The gift of grace is enriching – grace upon grace or favor on favor
2. The gift of grace is renewable – grace for grace – new grace for every need
3. The gift of grace is continual

Eph. 2:7 – *so that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus*

Rom 2:4 – *or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance?*

1. God’s glory of grace comes only through Jesus Christ 1:17

*For the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ*

1. The Law of God was only through Moses
2. The Grace of God is only through the Lord Jesus

The Lord said, I am the way, the truth and the life no one comes to the Father but by Me

Matt. 28:18 – *all authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth*

***The only way to know the grace of God is to come to Jesus Christ the source of God’s grace***

**Things to Remember**

1. The favor of God comes from the grace of God
2. Salvation from our sin is by God’s grace alone
3. Grace that saves is grace that sustains
4. The kindness of grace enriches the sad sinner
5. There is a throne of grace in heaven for sinners
6. God’s grace makes the guilty sinner a favored saint!

**Daily Use**

1. Seek God’s continual grace for your sinfulness
2. Praise the Lord Jesus Christ for His graciousness to save you
3. Come to the throne of Grace where the Jesus Christ will save & help you