

TRANSFORMING GRACE

READ: Titus 2:11-15

For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people. ¹²It instructs us to turn away from godless living and sinful pleasures and to live self-controlled, righteous, Godly lives in this present age, ¹³while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed. ¹⁴He gave His life to free us from every kind of sin, to cleanse us, and to make us His very own people, totally committed to doing good deeds.¹⁵You must teach these things and encourage the believers to do them. You have the authority to correct them when necessary, so don't let anyone disregard what you say.

REFLECT:

What does grace instruct us to do? (v. 12)

What did Jesus do so we could receive God's grace? (v. 14)

God's grace has been shown to us and brings salvation to all people. This salvation is available to all who believe in Jesus. Grace doesn't save us so we live any way we want. Instead it should change us so we desire to stop living for ourselves and being selfish. It shows us how we should live our life for God. It transforms us, giving us the ability to live self-controlled and God honoring lives. Knowing how Jesus gave His life to give us this great gift of amazing grace should also stir us to thank and worship Him each day.

Since we have received such a great gift as God's grace, we now have the opportunity and responsibility to show grace to others. When someone wrongs us instead of getting back at them we need to remember the grace God has given to us when we sin against Him. Extending grace to others is what the gospel is all about. We didn't deserve God's grace but He still gave it to us so we also need to give grace to others.

RESPOND:

How does God's amazing grace make you want to worship Him?

How can you give grace to others as you live, work and play this week?

Worship God by thanking Him for His Amazing Grace. Then ask Him to help you give grace to others each day as He has given it to you.

Thank God for _____

Pray for _____