

Understanding Grace Part 2

What does it mean to be under Grace?

YeHoVaH, through Yeshua's sacrifice, apart from the Law, justified man freely although man deserved death.

Ro 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Ro 3:24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Ro 3:25 Whom God hath set forth *to be* a **propitiation** through **faith in his blood**, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Animal sacrifice could never eliminate the sins of men but could only appease or atone for the sins of men and was needed every time one sinned and every year for the nation of Israel to be reconciled to YeHoVaH.

By His Grace, YeHoVaH appeased or atoned for the sins of the world by the blood of one sacrifice, Yeshua. **Yeshua is the fullness of YeHoVaH's Grace.**

Ro 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Ro 5:11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Much of what Paul taught concerning the Law was in accordance with the Law as he had been taught as a Pharisee. Paul's teaching on being under Grace was directly connected to Salvation through Faith in the blood of Yeshua to atone for sins, the one that many of the Jews rejected.

The atonement of Israel's sins was directly connected to what the High Priest did on Yom Kippur. He sacrificed the bullock, taking its blood and sprinkling it on the Mercy Seat to atone for his and his family's sin, and then taking the sacrificed goat's blood and sprinkling it on the Mercy Seat to atone for the sins of Israel.

The entire system of Atonement was predicated on the work of the High Priest.

Yeshua is our High Priest.

Yeshua is the Lamb of YeHoVaH who takes away the sins of the world.

The Bullock and the Two Goats Leviticus 16

Yeshua did not have to atone for His own sins (the bullock) or his family as the High Priest did.

You could say, Yeshua was the goat that was sacrificed or killed (on the cross).

Lev 16:15 Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering, that *is* for the people, and bring his blood within the veil, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

The goat that took our sins and was let go, freed, or spared (the Resurrection).

Lev 16:21 And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting

them upon the head of the goat, and shall send *him* away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness:

It is faith in Yeshua's blood.

Ro 3:25 Whom God hath set forth *to be* a **propitiation** (atonement) through **faith in his blood**,...

The Two of You

1. The carnal man (the old man)
2. The spirit man (the new man)

Ro 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

Ro 6:2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Ro 6:3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death?

Ro 6:4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Ro 6:5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also *in the likeness* of *his* resurrection:

Ro 6:6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.

Ro 6:7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Ro 6:8 Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him:

Ro 6:9 Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him.

Ro 6:10 For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Ro 6:11 Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ro 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

Ro 6:13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.

Ro 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: **for ye are not under the law, but under grace.**

Ro 6:15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

The Epistle of Romans is thought to have been written in the early spring of A.D. 57. That would make the letter to have been written 1961 years ago. Trying to interpret Romans in this Century, separated from the context, custom, and people Paul was writing to in AD 57, would be difficult at best.

Under Grace

Paul, as a former Pharisee, understood that the Salvation of the Jewish people was connected to keeping the Law of Moses as it was taught in the Talmud or in the religion of the Jews. This religion depended on rules and regulations that was handed down by them of old.

These rules and regulations, or commandments of men and tradition of men as Yeshua called them, were taught as Commandments. For instance, how far you could walk on the Sabbath day, what was

considered work, the washing of pots, the washing of hands and many such traditions that Yeshua said were the traditions of men that made the Law of God of no effect.

Mk 7:7 Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.
Mk 7:8 For laying aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do.
Mk 7:9 And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

The Two Minds in You

1. The carnally minded (the flesh)
2. The spiritually minded (the new man in Messiah)

Ro 8:6 For to be carnally minded *is* death; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.
Ro 8:7 Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
Ro 8:8 So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
Ro 8:9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.
Ro 8:10 And if Christ *be* in you, the body *is* dead because of sin; but the Spirit *is* life because of righteousness.

By Grace, through Faith in the atoning sacrificial blood of Yeshua, YeHoVaH has reconciled man unto Himself and made those who put their faith in Messiah Yeshua Righteous!

2Co 5:17 Therefore if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.
2Co 5:18 And all things *are* of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;
2Co 5:19 To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.
2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech *you* by us: we pray *you* in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.
2Co 5:21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Does Grace Make Void the Law? NO

Ro 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?
Ro 6:2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

Misconceptions of Grace Does Grace alone save? NO

Paul wrote we are saved by Grace through Faith.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved **through faith**; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God:
Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.
Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

Faith in What?

The shed Blood of Yeshua as Atonement for our sins

Ro 3:25 Whom God hath set forth *to be* a propitiation through **faith in his blood**, to declare his righteousness **for the remission of sins that are past**, through the forbearance of God;

Misconceptions of Grace

For Christians, the word “grace” is virtually synonymous with the gospel of God’s gift of unmerited salvation in Jesus Christ. —Holman Bible Dictionary

Amazing Grace:

The song, **Amazing Grace**, suggests and reinforces the notion that Grace alone saves. The song is missing the key ingredient of salvation which is **Faith**. The song does not mention **Faith** in YeHoVaH or **Faith** in Yeshua.

We are saved by **Grace through Faith**.

Not by Grace alone or by Faith alone, but by Grace through Faith.

Closing Thoughts on

Grace Faith and the Gift of YeHoVaH.

- Grace is not merited or earned. Yeshua is YeHoVaH's favor toward man, the Gift of Grace.
- Grace is YeHoVaH's Gift.
- Faith is YeHoVaH's Gift.
- Grace will reign until Judgement.
- Grace nor Salvation can be earned or bought.
- Grace is a Gift.
- Faith is a Gift.
- Salvation is a Gift.
- The world is under Grace.
- Father extended Grace through Yeshua as an invitation to receive Salvation.
- The Gift of Grace is Yeshua.
- Grace is Father saying,
“I am not holding your sins against you. You deserve death, but by Grace I am extending Mercy and atoning for your sins through the sacrifice of my Son who paid the price for you.”
- Yeshua died for the sins of the world.
- Yeshua atoned for the sins of the world.
- Yeshua is the ultimate and only sacrifice for the sins of mankind.
- Mankind's response to YeHoVaH's Grace for Salvation is Faith that Yeshua was sent from YeHoVaH, Faith in YeHoVaH that He sent Yeshua and raised Yeshua from the dead.
- Grace does not equate to Salvation but makes Salvation available.
- Grace alone cannot save the world, or the world would be saved because the Savior has come.
- Grace, although extended by YeHoVaH, must be accepted by man before man can be saved.
- Salvation requires Faith/believing in Yeshua as Messiah, the Savior of the world.

Closing Passage

Our response to what YeHoVaH has done:

Ro 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service.

Ro 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Ro 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.