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10 AM SERMON - BEN WRIGHT - GRACE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

7 PM - SINGING AND FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

WOSPEL MEETING AT EAST WALKER, OCT 24-27

OUR MEETING IS COMING UP SOON: NOV 7-10 BE MAKING PLANS TO BE HERE!

IT WILL BE AT 7 PM EACH NIGHT

WE WILL HOST THE WALKER COUNTY FIRST SUNDAY SINGING NOV 7 AT 2 PM

SEE GENE OR LINDA FOR BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSES

SEE DAVID FOR TAPES

ANNIVERSARY:

Oct. 19: Danny & Robin Busby

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SUNDAY MORNING

BIBLE CLASS 9:30

WORSHIP 10:20

SUNDAY EVENING 5:00

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00

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GRACE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

Grace in _____ life.

- A. Adam deserved _____, because that was the punishment for eating of the tree of knowledge of good and evil (Genesis 2:17).
1. However, God extended grace and mercy to them in providing a _____ for them.
 2. He killed animals for them and, by this, provided _____ for them (Genesis 3:21).
- B. They did not _____ this treatment.

I. Grace in _____ life.

- A. Noah lived when the world was completely _____ (Genesis 6:5).
- B. This did not stop Noah from _____ with God (Genesis 6:9).
- C. Noah did _____ that God commanded him to do, (Genesis 6:22; 7:5).
- D. Noah continued that life of faith by being obedient to the commands of God concerning the building and _____ of the ark.

II. Grace in _____ life.

- A. God reached out to Abraham while he was in a land that had turned to _____ (Genesis 12:1-3).
- B. God did not have to _____ Abraham.
1. Like with Noah's day, God could have given _____ up on the world because of its sin.
 2. Despite the _____, God still wanted man to be saved and graciously reached out to Abraham in order for His plan to continue.
- C. By God's grace, we can be of the _____ of Abraham (Galatians 3:29).

V. Grace in _____ life.

- A. David wrote much about the grace of God in the _____.
- B. David is given a great _____: that there would always be a king on his throne (2 Samuel 7:11-13).
- C. This of course is a promise of the Messiah.
- D. David did nothing to _____ the throne, but God graciously gave it to him and his seed after him.

7. Grace in Hosea's life.

- A. Hosea was told by God to marry a woman who would become a _____.
- B. We need to understand _____ God told Hosea to marry Gomer.
1. God was giving Hosea a personal _____ of what Israel was doing to Him.
 2. He then showed Hosea how much He _____ Israel with these words (2:15-19).
- C. His grace and mercy was extended to them _____ so that they could see how much He loved them.

God's Greatest Desire
Barry Grider

Man has so many objects of desire. Some are good and some are bad. One who has no desire is obviously a very depressed individual. But what about God? Does He have any desires? Yes He does and all His desires are holy in nature. Some spend their lives trying to find out what God never chose to reveal. Since God has revealed enough in His word to keep us busy studying for a lifetime, may we leave alone those “secret things” that belong only to Him (Deut. 29:29).

However, what does the Bible reveal is God’s greatest desire for humanity? The answer is found in First Timothy 2. The context in the opening verses has to do with prayer. Pray for “all men,” Paul exhorts (v. 1). Why pray for all men? “For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth” (1 Tim.2:3,4). The Bible student would not be surprised that God desires his salvation, after all man was created to enjoy a unique relationship with God. Sin, of course, hindered that relationship, yet even after man sinned, God came seeking. God always has man’s best interest in mind. Jeremiah wrote, “The Lord hath appeared of old unto me, saying, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with loving kindness have I drawn thee” (Jer. 31:3). Remember the words penned by James, “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning” (James 1:17).

What is our greatest need? Our greatest need is salvation from sin. Therefore, what is God’s greatest desire? His greatest desire is our salvation. In fact, God’s desire for each individual’s salvation is greater than each individual’s desire to be saved. His desire to see us saved has caused Him to sacrifice greatly and pay an enormous cost. The enormity of His love provided this salvation. “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life” (John 3:16). Consider, also, that God “is long-suffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance” (2 Pet. 3:9).

What has God given us to prove His greatest desire?

God has given us His TRUTH (1 Tim. 2:4). Jesus stated, “And ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free” (John 8:32).

God has given us His SON (1 Tim. 2:5). “But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us” (Rom. 5:8).

God has given us PREACHERS (1 Tim. 2:7). “How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, how beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!” (Rom. 10:14,15).

God has given us this MOMENT “Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts...)” (Heb. 3:7,8).

In fact, this moment is all we have been afforded to take advantage of the salvation God offers. Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow may never be. However, this moment is all you need. God’s greatest desire is that you be saved! Shouldn’t that be your greatest desire, as well?