

# Humility Is the Doorway to Grace



**1 Peter 5:5-10**

- Review – Spiritual Principle of Grace – “God’s plan to empower my life.”
  - It is God’s plan for us to fulfill His will.
  - Purpose: to live a life of power.
  - Goal: to have a Biblical understanding of what grace is and how it works in our lives.
  - Objective: to rejoice and enjoy our salvation.
- Lesson #1 – “Defining Grace”
    - Grace – the empowering presence of God, enabling us to do everything He has created us to do, and enabling us to be everything He called us to be.
      - A. It is the unleashed power of God.
      - B. All the grace God gives me; He gives it to me for His purpose.
      - C. If you don’t understand the message of God’s grace, you will not be fruitful and grow.
  - Lesson #2 – Saved by Grace (Eph. 2:8-10).
    - A. When it comes to the concept of salvation it is far more than just being born again.
    - B. Before you were born, God had laid out a specific plan for your life, and he filled that plan with certain works that He wanted you to do (good works verses dead works).
    - C. When you talk about salvation, it is a three tense word (I was saved, I am being saved, and I shall be saved).
    - D. The devil wants to get you off course, off your assignment, because he knows that the power you have is in you accomplishing the will of God.

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- Just like Christians misunderstand grace, humility is also misunderstood.
- What does it mean to be humble?
- Humility is something you learn to do yourself.

- Micah 6:8 – “He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.”
  - If you are proud, God will resist you and cannot walk with you.
  - Amos 3:3 - “how can two walk together except they agree.”
  - What is the dictionary definition of humility?
  - Webster’s dictionary defines humble as poor, plain, and lowly.
  - Another definition of humble is to subdue, disgrace, humiliate, to make ashamed.
  - The biblical definition of humility means low laying or low profile.
  - The biblical definition of humility is to agree with God.
  - The worst kind of pride is false humility.
  - God is not a teaser or a flatterer. God only speaks the truth.
  - When Jacob had an encounter with the angel, God asked Jacob what his name was.
  - Jesus saw Himself as the Way, the Truth and the Life.
  - The bottom line is; whose report are you going to believe?
- How do we humble ourselves?
    1. By coming into agreement with God.
      - According to 1 Corinthians (3:11-15), our works will be tested by fire.
      - It is very important that you know what you have been called to do.
    2. By casting all our cares and problems on God.
      - The devil’s whole objective is to get us out of our assignments.
      - We must stay in our assignment, because the grace of God has been released.