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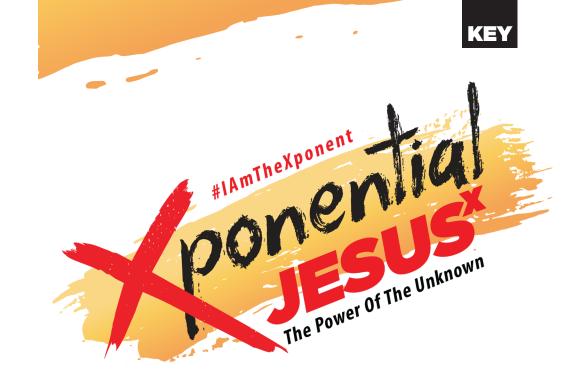
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WEEK SIX: EXPONENTS OF GRACE

## INTRODUCTION

John 1:14 says, "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." "Truth" refers to justice, righteousness and that which is in complete alignment with the will of the Father and the realities of the spiritual realm. Our focus in this teaching will be to better understand grace in the life of Christ and ourselves as exponents.

#### **TWO-SIDED GRACE**

In many teachings, songs and sayings, grace is often mistaken for mercy. **Mercy is**: not getting what one (who has sinned) deserves as an act of **justice**. Grace is: getting more than one deserves or has merited as an act of kindness and **favor**. This aspect of grace is seen in abundance in the life of Christ.

**Grace is also defined**: of the merciful kindness by which God, exerting His holy *influence* upon souls, turns them to Christ, keeps, strengthens, increases them in Christian faith, knowledge, affection, and kindles them to the exercise of the Christian virtues. In short, it's God's supernatural *power* operating in and through the believer (2 Cor. 12:9).



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## **GOOD & GOODER**

John 1:16 says, "For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace." All grace from the Lord is needed and of great benefit to the believer. The essence of our understanding should be that through Christ, we receive the **BEST** GRACE (favor, kindness and power) instead of GOOD GRACE (favor, kindness) only.

### **GRACE SPREADERS**

If Jesus came "full of grace and truth", as His exponents, we should also operate from a place of "fullness" of grace and truth (John 1:16). When Christ came, God the Father gave the very best Heaven had to offer. BY GOD'S GRACE the exponent of Jesus can also offer the very best that Heaven has through our EXPONENTIAL WORKS (John 14:12, 1 Cor. 15:9-10, 1 Tim. 1:12-14).

The exponent of Christ is not limited because of past mistakes and failures. They are forgiven (mercy) and **equipped** "by grace through faith" (Eph. 2:8-9) despite who they were and what they've done. It's God's will to use YOU for the sake of others, to **spread grace** to more and more people creating the exponential giving of thanks to the glory of God (2 Cor. 4:15).