



Welcome!

March 20, 2022

“If the Son sets you free... you are free indeed!” -John 8:36

Our Worship Gathering

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Worship through Song

Ancient of Days

Come as You Are

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

Worship through Prayer

Worship through Scripture

Extending Grace to Others | Romans 12:9-21 | Pastor John

Worship by Responding

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Worship by Going

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Sunday: Dinner and Study, all ages, 5 pm

Announcements:

- Visit the App Store or Google Play and download the FC App!
- Please consider setting up recurring online giving through the app or web page.
- If you are interested in partnership, please pick up an information packet at the information table.

Upcoming Events:

- Wednesdays, 10am-12 pm; @ Freedom Church: Women's Bible Study
 - Becoming a Titus 2 Woman. See Anna Bazemore
- Compassion Food Distribution of Colorado, 8 am – 3 pm
 - Next one: **April 2**

Prayer Matters

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 (NLT)

Berean Church

Sedalia, CO – Plum Creek Chapel (JB & Wendy)

Global Outreach

Ted & Judy Olsen – Global Fellowship (India, Nepal)

Other

Extending Grace to Others | Romans 12:9-21

Pastor John Bazemore

What is grace?

Grace is unmerited favor; getting something you don't deserve.

It is showing favor towards someone who doesn't deserve your favor

It is demonstrating love and goodness to others despite their behavior

Principles for extending grace

1. Have a sincere love for others

Romans 12:9—*Let love be without hypocrisy*

- a. Extending grace demonstrates sincere love
- b. Sincere love is having the courage to help your brother and sister who are in sin
Galatians 6:1—*if anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness.*
- c. Be devoted to one another (Romans 12:10)
 - Commit yourself to show love and mercy to others

2. Consider others more important than yourself

Romans 12:10b—*give preference to one another in honor*

- a. Give preference to one another in honor
Philippians 2:3-4—*Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others*
- b. Die to your own expectations
 - Be careful regarding your expectations of others
- d. Give others the benefit of doubt - When in doubt, give benefit of doubt
- e. Show respect
 - When extending grace, respect doesn't have to be earned, it's a free gift like the free gift of salvation we received from God

3. Demonstrate tangible acts of mercy and kindness

Romans 12:13—*contribute to the needs of the saints; practice hospitality*

- a. Meet the needs of others to the level you are able
- b. Demonstrate hospitality

4. Demonstrate unconditional forgiveness

Romans 12:14—*Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse*

- a. Forgive just as God forgave us

What does that look like?

- Making allowances for faults and shortcomings of the one who hurt you
- Set aside your feelings of entitlement to justice and fairness
- Not giving the one who wronged you what they deserve

- b. Constantly forgive

Matthew 18:22—*I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven*

- c. Don't keep an account of wrongs
- d. Don't repay evil for evil.
- e. So far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men
- f. Do not take your own revenge but leave room for the wrath of God

5. Put away pride and arrogance

Romans 12:16—*Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation*

- a. You don't have the corner on truth
- b. Don't have to be right

6. Do good to others

Romans 12:21—*Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.*

Bottom line: You extend grace when you do good to others