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I. JESUS HAS GOT YOU

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"What happens when you humbly realize that you need to grow in Christlikeness? Your view of others will change. You will grow less smug and less critical of others because you will believe you need to grow as well...You will grow less self-righteous, and you will be quicker to identify evidences of grace in the lives of others. Also, your love for the Savior will grow because you will realize how much you need His grace!"

TONY MERIDA



2. JESUS HAS A RACE FOR YOU TO RUN

PHILIPPIANS 3:13-16

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"Grace is not opposed to effort, but to earning."

DALLAS WILLARD



1 CORINTHIANS 15:10 ESV

¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.



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"The church is a colony of heaven in a country of death."

EUGENE PETERSON



REVELATION 21:1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away." ⁵ And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new."