The Power of Grace "She may not know who I am, but I know who she is, and she is the love of my life."





- God's grace.
- 3. We need to be a grace-filled family of families.



1. It's essential that we have a deeper understanding and experience of

2. We must have a heart and lifestyle that is formed by God's grace.





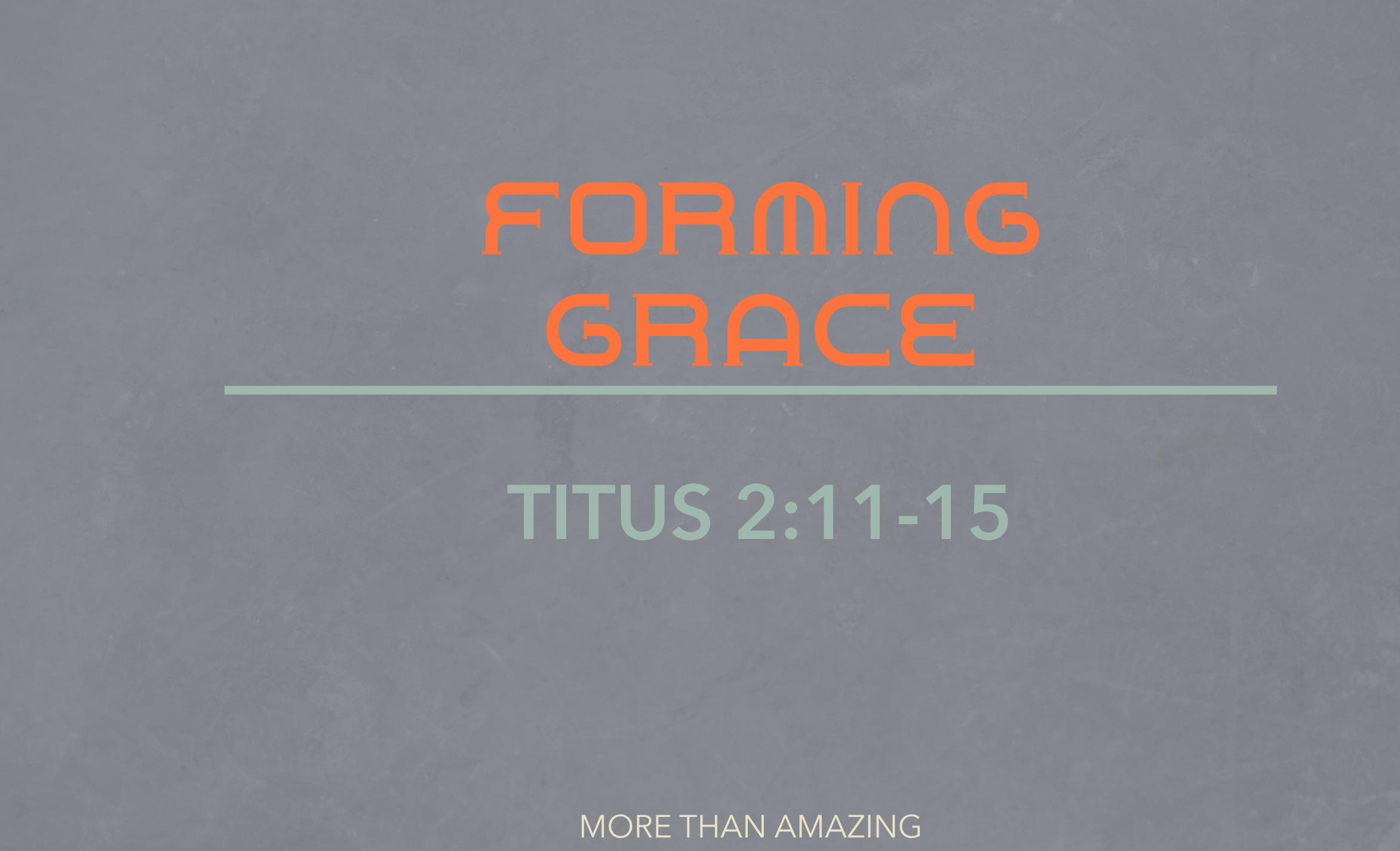




WEEK 1 – SAVING GRACE WEEK 2 – FORMING GRACE WEEK 3 – EMPOWERING GRACE







"Sin is our refusal to be what we were created to be - sons of God, images of God."



- Thomas Merton

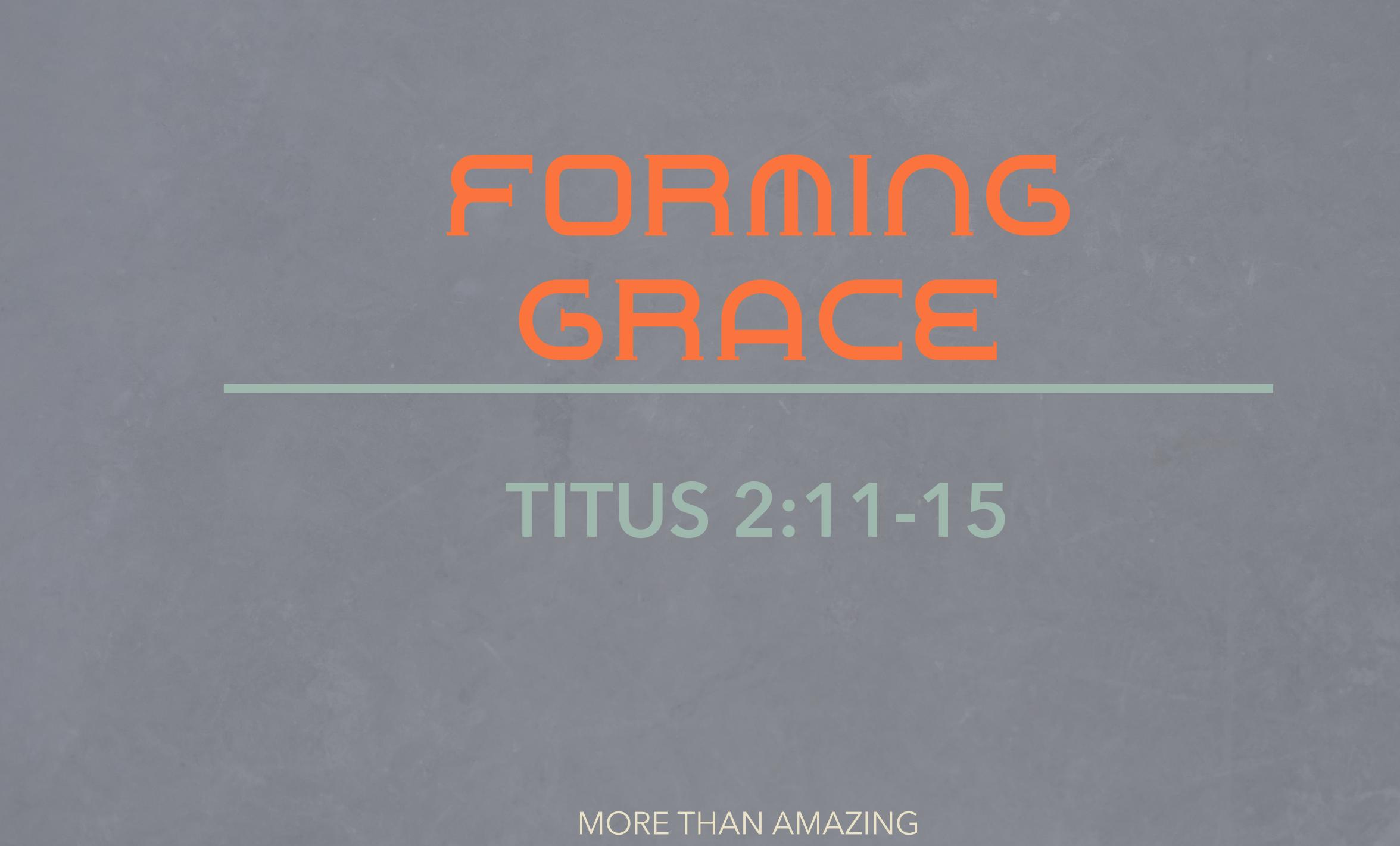


The Kindness of Grace

"Grace affords us a new way of being and living a way through which we can live the most satisfied and meaningful life."

Dear Optimist, Pessimist, and Realist, While you guys were busy arguing about the glass of water, I drank it! Sincerely The Opportunist





"For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people. It teaches us to say 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope - the appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour, Jesus Christ,



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"who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. These, then, are the things you should teach. Encourage and rebuke with all authority. Do not let anyone despise you."

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Titus 2:11-15



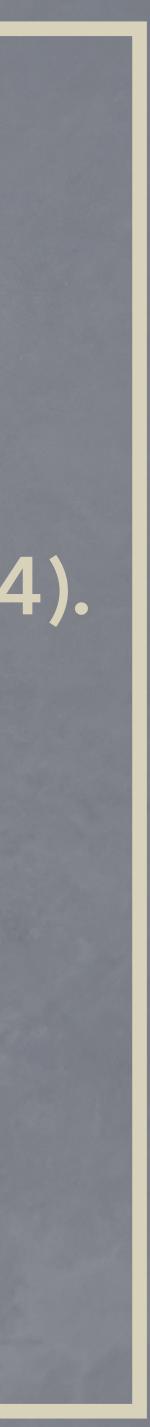
- Christians and Christian leaders did not have a good reputation. - God's word was being maligned (2:5), people were making (2:10).





- Crete was full of liars, evil brutes, and lazy gluttons (Titus 1:14).

evil accusations (2:8), and God's message was not attractive



- Put forth the trustworthy character of God as revealed in Jesus **Christ (1:4)**
- (1:5-9)
- In the public square, live a Jesus-lifestyle that proves that the gospel is true (2:1-10). - Be shaped and formed by the grace of God (2:11-15).



- Identify, teach, equip, empower, and appoint new, godly leaders

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A Grace-Filled Journey into the Promised Land

OT Israel	Scriptures for OT Israel	NT Christian	Scriptures for NT Christian
Israel delivered from Egypt.	Genesis 1:26-28, 12:1-7, 15:7-19, 13:14-17; Exodus 1:6, 2:23-24, 3:10	Christians delivered from the power of sin.	Romans 3-8; Ephesians 2:1-10; Titus 2:11-15, 3:3-8; Colossians 1:13, 18-20 2:13-15
Israel delivered from Egyptian thinking.	Numbers 11:5, 13:27-33; Exodus 23:30	Christians transformed and sanctified by the renewing of the heart and mind.	Romans 12:1-2, 6:22; 1 Thessalonians 4:1, 5:2 2 Corinthians 5:17, 3:14 John 17:17, Colossians 1:22, 2:23-2 3:1; Ephesians 5:27



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OT Israel

Scriptures for OT Israel

Israel enters and occupies the promises of God.

Joshua 1:1, 1:10, 1:15, 2:24, 3:3-4

NT Christian

Scriptures for NT Christian

Christians are fulfilling their purpose and calling.

Ephesians 1:20-21, 2:10, 3:10; John 15:16-17; Titus 2:14, 3:14; Colossians 3:12-17, 4:17





1. The GRACE of God helps us see ourselves in the "now" and "not yet" fullness of God's Kingdom. 2. The GRACE of God opens our eyes to a vision of what's promised. 3. The GRACE of God gives us the patience needed with our growth progress. 4. The GRACE of God empowers purposefulness in the process.



Suggested Application:

1. Give your life to Jesus Christ. 2. Get in a relationship with another through a Gateway Group, volunteer team, or some where else, and be intentional about your partnership with the grace of God at work in your life.





