



Fast and Easy Giving

Grace Romanian Church



Let's wish them a **HAPPY BIRTHDAY! GOD BLESS YOU!**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 ESV

1 December	Christian Resteman	11 December	Cristian Catalan
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3 December	Andrei Leahu	21 December	Violeta Haiduc
6 December	Jason Morhan	28 December	Monica Cubaș
9 December	George Haiduc	28 December	Silviu Romanel
10 December	Richard Pop	31 December	Nicole Popescu

"**The Lord** bless you and keep you;

the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;

the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

Anunțuri:

- fiecare zi de joi este o zi de post și rugăciune pentru lucrarea spirituală a Bisericii Grace!
- Youth Bible Study - 7pm, în fiecare vineri!
- 2 decembrie - Ladies Fellowship Meeting - marți, la ora 7:00pm
- 6 decembrie - Seniors Christmas Brunch - sâmbătă, ora 10:30am
- 13 decembrie - Sunday School Caroling - sâmbătă, ora 09:00am
- 16 decembrie - Sunday School Teachers & Assistents Christmas Dinner - marți, la ora 7:00pm
- 24 decembrie - Youth Caroling! După slujba de seară.
- 28 decembrie - Annual Fellowship Lunch after Church Service

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We Have Found the Messiah, John Piper

Out of the hundreds of things that a preacher could focus on in the Gospel of John, I am strongly influenced in my selection by John 1:14-16, “And the Word [that is the eternal Word who is God, John 1:1] became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. . . . And from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.” I believe that this Gospel was written by the eyewitness John so that, through his inspired testimony, we could join him in the “seeing” of verse 14. “We have seen his glory.” It’s the glory of the only Son of God—that is, the one who is himself of the very same substance or essence of the Father, very God of very God, the image and radiance of the Father who is eternally begotten, not made, by the Father. And this glory of Jesus who is God incarnate is full of grace and truth, and we receive grace when we see his glory. Verse 16: “And from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.”

Seven Glimpses of the Glory of God’s Son - as we walk through John 1:35-51, I see at least seven ways John wants us to see the glory of Jesus—and receive more grace.

1. Jesus Is the Goal of John’s Ministry. First, just briefly John shows Jesus to be the goal of John the Baptist’s ministry. Verses 35-37: “The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God!’ The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus.”

2. Jesus Is the Sin-Removing Lamb. Second, Jesus is followed as “the Lamb of God,” the sin-remover of the world. John had already said in verse 29, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!” To call Jesus the Lamb of God meant that finally, at the climax of Israel’s history, God was sending the final sacrifice for sin that would end all other sacrifices. Jesus would die in our place the way the Lamb was sacrificed in the Old Testament in place of the sinner

3. Jesus is the giver of spiritual sight. So when Jesus says in John 1:37, “What are you seeking?” he was asking something deeper than they think. There were people who followed Jesus, seeking the wrong thing. In John 6:26, he says, “You are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.” So he is asking John’s disciples here: What are you seeking? I think he would ask you the same question. What are you seeking? They do not go to that level. They simply say (in verse 38), “Where are you staying?”—we are seeking your address. As usual, Jesus is patient with this kind of response, and he gives them another chance. Only this time, it’s not a question; it’s a command and a promise. Verse 39: “Come and you will see.” On one level, it could mean simply: You will see where I am staying. But in the mind of Jesus and the mind of John this meant: If you will truly come to me, you will see spiritual reality. You will have spiritual sight.

Seeking Jesus, Finding Christ

4. Jesus Is the Messiah. Verse 41: “He [Andrew] first found his own brother Simon and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which means Christ).” We will say more about this next time. The glory of the only Son of God is the glory of the Messiah, the long expected one of Israel.

5. Jesus Can Change Our Identity. Jesus has the authority to change our identity. Verse 42: “He [Andrew] brought him [Andrew’s brother Simon] to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, ‘So you are Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas’ (which means Peter).”

There is no explanation in John’s Gospel why Jesus changed Simon’s name to Cephas (Aramaic), that is, Peter (Greek)—no explanation as in Matthew 16:18 that Petros means rock and you will found my church. That’s not the point. The point here is: Jesus has authority to give you whatever name he pleases and, in giving you a name, determine your destiny. The point is the glory of Christ, not the glory of Peter.

6. Jesus Can Command Allegiance. Jesus has authority unilaterally to command allegiance. Verse 43: “The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, ‘Follow me.’”

Notice how things have developed. In verses 36-37, John the Baptist gets the ball rolling by saying, “Behold the Lamb of God,” and his disciples follow Jesus. But here in verse 43, Jesus simply says to Philip: “Follow me.” Jesus is now taking the initiative.

7. Jesus Knows Us Inside and Out. Jesus knows two kinds of things about Nathaniel. He knows what’s going on inside, and he knows what’s going on outside. The first thing Jesus says is, “You are a man without deceit.” That’s the truth about the inside. And the second thing he said was, “While you were out of my sight I saw you. You were under a fig tree when Philip found you.” That’s the truth about the outside. Nathaniel is astonished and says in verse 49, “Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!”

Joi - 7pm - Midweek Service

Dragostea și darul Tatălui pentru tine este Isus Hristos!

4	Moise Z.	<i>Robul Domnului: smerire, suferință, salvare, slavă</i>	Isaia 53:1-12
11	Pavel P.	<i>O mare lumină răsare peste întuneric</i>	Isaia 9:1-7
18	Iulian J.	<i>Genealogia lui Mesia</i>	Matei 1:1-16

Studiu biblic în Faptele Apostolilor

Manifestarea puterii în creștinii primului veac - Dependenți de Duhul până la capăt!

Duminică, 7

10 am: **Cina Domnului**

îndemn Iulian J.	<i>Eu v-am ales pe voi să aduceți rod</i>	Ioan 15:1-17
mesaj Moise Z.	<i>Misiunea în Tesalonic și Berea</i>	Fapte 17:1-14

5 pm: **Youth Service**

îndemn David S.	<i>Flee Youthful passions - Joseph</i>	2 Timothy 2:22
mesaj Philip H.	<i>Preaching to Philosophers in Athens</i>	Acts 17:15-34

Duminică, 14

10 am: **Binecuvântare de copil**

îndemn Moise Z.	Josiah Tobias Forogau	2 Timotei 1:1-10
mesaj Iulian J.	<i>Generații binecuvântate cu credință</i>	2 Împărați 22:1-20
	<i>Iosia, un copil cu o inimă aleasă</i>	

5 pm: îndemn Danny P.

mesaj Adrian P.	<i>Nu-ți nesocoti chemarea - Samson</i>	Judecători 16:18-21
	<i>The Mission in Corinth</i>	Acts 18:1-17

Duminică, 21

10 am: îndemn Florin C.

mesaj Pavel P.	<i>Întruparea Cuvântului</i>	Ioan 1:12-17
	<i>Aspecte din lucrarea lui Dumnezeu</i>	Fapte 18:18-28

5 pm: îndemn Steve B.

mesaj Richard P.	<i>God’s Profound Love</i>	John 3:16
	<i>The Evangelization of Ephesus</i>	Acts 19:1-20

Christmas Eve Miercuri, 24 (7pm)

Iulian J.	<i>Daruri de la Dumnezeu</i>	Luca 1:39-55
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Christmas Day Joi, 25 (7pm)

Moise Z.	<i>The Reason for the Season</i>	Matthew 1:21
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Duminică, 28

10 am: îndemn Pavel P.

mesaj Traian Cociuba	<i>Nu te teme de nimic, căci Eu sunt cu tine</i>	Isaia 43:1-5
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New Year’s Eve Miercuri, 31 (7pm)

<i>Ai viitor: nu te bloca în ieri!</i>	Filipeni 3:13-14
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Duminică, 4, 2026

10 am: **Cina Domnului**

îndemn Moise Z.	<i>Copiii lui Dumnezeu sunt neprihăniți</i>	1 Ioan 3:1-7
mesaj Iulian J.	<i>În loc de revoltă ar fi putut fi trezire</i>	Fapte 19:21-41

5 pm: **Youth Service**

îndemn Fineas T.	<i>Prayer can change your life - Solomon</i>	2 Chronicles 1:6-12
mesaj Philip H.	<i>Apostle Paul visiting believers</i>	Acts 20:1-12