

# The Grace and Love of Christ

Ephesians 6:23-24

# 1. in the LORD

It begins here. All promises, blessings and benefits that are from God through Christ must be built upon faith in Him. And this faith is also a precious gift, for it is provided by the LORD.

All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. ~ 2 Corinthians 5:18

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#### in the LORD

The promised benefit of a life connected to the LORD by faith are both peace and love. How is it that so much anxiety and animosity exist, merely because we have lost connection to the Head—who is Christ Jesus our LORD.

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. ~ 1 Timothy 1:5

in the LORD 3.

All who love our LORD with a love that cannot be diminished will discover His grace in its full effect. Poured out in abundance, you will know His lavish mercy that sets you free and you will live in His grace that others might know it as well.

Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us, from God the Father and from Jesus Christ the Father's Son, in truth and love. ~ 2 John 1:3

### **1** Corinthians 16:22-24 If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.



#### The Grace and Love of Christ **Additional Scripture References** (And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

#### **Ephesians 2:8-9**

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

# Acts 3:16

And his name—by faith in his name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all.

# **Galatians 3:22**

But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

#### Psalm 85:10-11

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other. Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

#### **Colossians 2:19**

...and not holding fast to the Head, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.

# **Ephesians 2:14**

For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility

# Esther 2:17

...the king loved Esther more than all the women, and she won grace and favor in his sight more than all the virgins, so that he set the royal crown on her head...

# 1 Timothy 1:14

...and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

# **Ephesians 3:2**

...assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to *me for you.*