

Sermon Discussion Questions

Grace – Grant Braaten
30 July 2023
Sermon Text: 1 Peter 1:8-13

AGENDA

- People arrive, talk, snack, and icebreaker – 5 min
- Worship – 5-10 min
- Prayer/Ministry Time – 20 min
- Discussion Questions – 35-45 min

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME (20-30 min)

Ask for prayer requests. Ask for specific needs of group members.

MESSAGE INTRODUCTION

This week, guest Pastor Grant Braaten explores the radicalness of Grace. We need God's grace to help us walk by faith. When we are self-sufficient, we limit our need for God's sufficiency to operate in our life. Where has grace impacted your life?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. What is something special that stood out to you from the message this week?
2. Before the message today, what thoughts did you have about grace (if any) and how were those thoughts challenged during the message?
3. What do you think about the statement “Grace is the message of the Gospel”?
4. If it’s all about grace, then what about sin? (Read Titus 2:11-13 and Hebrews 13:9a)
5. What do you think about the statement, “We get saved by grace and then we try to move out under our own power”? Are there any times when you have experienced this in your own life? How would things be different if we lived in the knowledge that it was indeed grace on day one and it will continue to be grace each and every day?

Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

1. When was the last time you had a water balloon or squirt gun fight? (Why has it been so long?)
2. What is the hottest temperature that you have personally experienced? Where was it at?
3. If you had to choose one or the other, would you rather be hot or cold?

APPLICATION

The grace of God was not taught to Paul but was revealed to him. We can't be convinced into grace, we have to experience it. It must be revealed to us. Has grace been revealed to you? The only thing that can deal with the root of condemnation is grace. We can't do it. Have you experience God's grace that sets you free from all condemnation? If not, open yourself up this week to what God has for you. Experience his grace.

COMING UP

To join a small group or find out more about what is going on at NWC, go to <https://nwckc.com> or the New Wine Church Community Group Facebook page. Study materials are also available on the website or Facebook page.

Jonah Sermon Series – 6, 13, 20, 27 Aug, 9 and 11 am, Oak Park High School, 825 NE 79th Terrace, KCMO

Family Sunday – 20 August, 9 and 11 am, Oak Park High School, 825 NE 79th Terrace, KCMO

FINAL THOUGHT

Grace is God's gift to us – to do for us what we can't do ourselves.