

LESSON 3

1. Read

Ephesians 2:1-10

2. Verse to Memorize

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." - Ephesians 2:8-9

3. Answer Questions

- 1. What is the problem being addressed in verses 1-3? What is sin? Why does understanding sin matter? Why were we deserving of wrath?
- 2. Read Ephesians 2:4-9. Why did God act? What does this reveal about God? Look at verse 7. How should we respond to God showing us in Christ Jesus the "exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness"?
- 3. What does it really mean that we are saved by grace, not works? How does this section compare with James 2:14–26? What is the relationship between grace and works? Explain in detail.
- 4. Do you struggle to accept that you are God's workmanship, created to do what He purposes? Why or why not? How does free will fit into this idea?
- 5. What are the good works God has prepared for you to do? How do you know? Share some of the good works that you have been able to do.

4. What Questions Do You Have?