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**Ephesians 2:1 (NIV)** - “As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins”.

**Ephesians 2:4-9 (NIV)** – “But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions – it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with Him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages He might show the incomparable riches of His grace, expressed in His kindness to us in Christ Jesus. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast”.

**Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)** – “Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is – His good, pleasing, and perfect will”.

“There is a difference between grace and mercy. Mercy is the decision of God not to punish us; but grace is the decision of God to save and bless us” – **Max Lucado**

**Romans 1:7-8 (NIV)** – “To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be His holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is being reported all over the world”.

**Acts 21:12-14 (NIV)** – When we heard this, we and the people there pleaded with Paul not to go up to Jerusalem. Then Paul answered, “Why are you weeping and breaking my heart? I am ready not only to be bound,

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but also to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus”. When he would not be dissuaded, we gave up and said, “The Lord’s will be done”.

“It is the chief part of the New Testament and the perfect gospel...the absolute epitome of the gospel” – *Martin Luther*

“It’s the most pessimistic page of literature upon which your eyes ever rested, and also the most optimistic poem to which your ears ever listened”  
– *G. Campbell Morgan*

**Romans 1:18-19 (NIV)** – “The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them”.

**Romans 2:1 (NIV)** - “You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on someone else, for at whatever point you judge another, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things”.

**Romans 2:25 (NIV)** - “Circumcision has value if you observe the law, but if you break the law, you have become as though you had not been circumcised”.

**James 2:10 (NIV)** – “For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles at just one point is guilty of breaking all of it”.

**Romans 3:20-24 (NIV)** – “Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God’s sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become

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conscious of our sin. But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by His grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus”.

“The harlot, the liar, the murderer, are short of it, but so are you. Perhaps they stand at the bottom of a mine, and you on the crest of the Alps; but you are as little able to touch the stars as they are” – **Bishop Handley Moule**

“**justified freely**” = Greek *dorea* – “as a gift; without merit or entitlement”; also in John 15:25

**Romans 7:24-25a (NKJV)** – “O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? I thank God; through Jesus Christ our Lord!”

**Romans 8:1-2 (NKJV)** – “There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death”.

**Romans 6:1-4 (NIV)** – “What shall we say, then? Shall we go on sinning so that grace may increase? By no means! We are those who have died to sin; how can we live in it any longer? Or don’t you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life”.