

#### **Grace and Faith**

Ephesians 2:1-10

**The Bottom Line:** We are saved by grace through faith.

### **Introduction:**

Today, we are continuing through our current sermon series, which we have titled, *Christianity 101: How One Man and His Story Changed History*.

Last week, we reflected on the Gospel ("good news") – that Christ died and rose again on our behalf to save us from our sins, giving us access to God and the hope of our own resurrection.

The question for today is: How is the good news applied?

In other words, we are shifting from a focus on the Gospel to focus on *salvation*.

#### Truth:

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## **Application & Conclusion:**

God saves us and sets us free from the power of sin, however; just as much as He saves us *from* something, He has also saves us *for* something greater. Put simply, God in His goodness saves us so we might participate in His goodness by doing good deeds.

We are His workmanship, His masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus to do good works. We do not do good to make *ourselves* worthy. We could never do that. We do good because *God* is worthy and deserves all the glory for how saves us.

"Walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called" (rf. Ephesians 4:1).

"Walk in a manner worthy of the God who calls you into His own kingdom and glory" (rf. 1 Thessalonians 2:12).

"Walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God" (rf. Colossians 1:10).

Remember who you were. Praise God for what He has done. Live as the people that God created you to be.

# **Reflection Questions:**

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2. What does this teach me about me?

3. How do I apply this to my life?