
The Power to Change: Living in the Spirit of Grace

"You have made us for Yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in You."
St Augustine, *Confessions* Book One, Pg 1 (400, AD)

1. Preventive Grace – The Spirit _____

- **Ephesians 2:1–5:** *"You were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked ... but God, being rich in mercy ... made us alive together with Christ."*
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2. Illuminating Grace – The Spirit _____

- **2 Corinthians 4:4–6** says: *"The god of this world has blinded the minds of unbelievers ... For God, who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."*
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3. Healing Grace – The Spirit _____ the Will

- **Romans 7:19-26** ... *"I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing."* ... But thanks be to God who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!
 - **Romans 8:1-4** ... *"The law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus."*
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4. Persevering Grace – The Spirit _____

- **Philippians 1:6** *"He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ."*
 - **Ephesians 1:13–14** And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.
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Discussion Questions

1. How does understanding prevenient grace change the way we view our own salvation story?
2. In what ways have you experienced the Spirit's illumination when reading Scripture or facing life decisions?
3. Augustine taught that the will needs healing. What are some areas in your life where the Spirit is still reorienting your desires?
4. How does the doctrine of persevering grace give you confidence in your spiritual journey?
5. Which of these aspects of the Spirit's work (awakening, illuminating, healing, sustaining) do you most need to embrace in this current season of your walk with Christ?

Sunday, September 28,
Joe Workman



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