How to Receive from God Pt2 Living in the Balance of Faith and Grace Wednesday, December 23, 2020

- I. How to Receive from God
 - A. Living in the Balance of Faith and Grace
 - 1. (Eph. 2:8-9) Receiving anything from God is a matter of living in the balance of grace and faith.
 - 2. Grace is <u>G</u>-od's <u>R</u>-iches <u>A</u>-t <u>C</u>-hrist <u>E</u>-xpense. It's God's unmerited favor towards all humanity independent of man's works or efforts. Grace is God's part.
 - a. (Tit. 2:11 AMP) God's grace has been given freely to all mankind.
 - b. (John 3:16-17; 1:14, [16-18 AMP]) Jesus is Grace embodied. When you receive Him you receive all of grace.
 - (Rom. 8:32 AMP) all things come with Him.
 - c. (1 John 2:2 AMP) all the sins of the world have been forgiven already by Jesus.
 - (John 16:8-11) people will go to hell, but for only one sin not accepting and believing in the sacrifice for their sins, Jesus.
 - d. (1 Pet. 2:24 NIV) "...you have been healed."
 - e. (2 Cor. 8:9) His poverty for our wealth.
 - 3. Faith is our positive response to what God has already provided by grace. Faith is how grace is appropriated or received. Faith doesn't move God! God has already moved by grace.
 - a. (Rom. 4:16 AMP) all of the promises of God are received by grace through faith.
 - b. (Rom. 5:1-2) we access grace by faith
 - c. (Eph. 3:10) God works through us in cooperation with our faith.
 - d. (1 John 5:14-15) Faith can only appropriate what grace has already provided.