

Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



WELCOME TO COWPLAIN CHURCH Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER This is amazing grace
Majesty (Here I am)

PRAYER
SINGING TOGETHER Hymn of heaven
UPDATES Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER Christ our hope in life and death
BIBLE READING Ephesians 2:1-10 (Church Bible page 1226)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER Amazing Grace, (My chains are gone)



Anchor ~9 How God's grace makes all the difference Ephesians 2:1-10

'You, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God...' Psalm 86:15 NIV

'The Lord longs to be gracious to you...' Isaiah 30:18 NIV

'God is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.' Psalm 145:8 NIV

WHAT GOD'S GRACE IS:

1. Grace is God's _____.

'All of us need to be made right with God by His grace, which is a free gift... through Jesus Christ.' Romans 3:24 NCV

2. Grace is received by _____.

'For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.' Ephesians 2:8-9 NIV

'People receive God's promise by having faith. This happens so the promise can be a free gift.' Romans 4:16 NCV

3. Grace is available to _____.

'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' Romans 10:13 NIV

4. Grace comes through _____.

'The law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.' John 1:17 NCV

'Many people have received God's gift of life by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ.' Romans 5:15 NCV

'[Don't] treat the grace of God as meaningless. For if we could be saved by keeping the law, then there was no need for Christ to die.' Galatians 2:21 NLT

5. Grace is extended throughout _____.

'The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Christ Jesus our Lord.' Romans 6:23 NLT

WHAT GOD'S GRACE DOES FOR ME:

1. God's saving grace removes my _____.

'By the death of Christ we are set free, that is, our sins are forgiven. How great is the grace of God which He gave to us in such large measure!' Ephesians 1:7-8 GN

2. God's strengthening grace reshapes my _____.

'Your spiritual strength comes as a gift from God, not from ceremonial rules...' Hebrews 13:9 LB

'Just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in Him.' Colossians 2:6 NIV

'Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.' 2 Peter 3:18 NIV

3. God's sustaining grace relieves my _____.

'My grace is all you need; for my power is strongest when you are weak.' 2 Corinthians 12:9 GN

'Let us approach the throne of grace with confidence, so we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.' Hebrews 4:16 NIV

'Be careful that none of you fails to respond to the grace of God, for if you do, there can spring up in you a bitter spirit, which can poison the lives of many others.' Hebrews 12:15 JBP

'God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.' James 4:7 NIV

WHAT TO DO WITH GOD'S GRACE:

1. God wants me to be _____ to other people.

'Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.' 1 Peter 4:10 NIV

2. God wants me to _____ His grace with other people.

'God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.' 2 Corinthians 9:8 NIV



1. According to Romans 3:24, what has Jesus Christ given us?
 - Discuss what justification and redemption mean.
 - What are examples of things some people think they should do to earn God's approval?
 - How does understanding "God's grace" liberate us?
 - Understanding how God freely gives us his grace frees us from the fear of failure when we serve him. How can this truth empower us to minister to others?
2. Read Ephesians 2:8-9. How do we receive God's free gift?
 - What does this verse say is the reason God gives us his grace as a "free gift" instead of as something we work for?
3. Romans 4:16 speaks about how we receive salvation. What is the only thing we need to have to receive this promise?
 - Why is the issue of faith and grace so important to obtaining salvation?
 - When we receive God's gift by faith, we become members of his family. What are some of the blessings we can enjoy as members of this family?
4. Who will be saved according to Romans 10:13?
 - Why do some people think they are not "good enough" for heaven?
5. Who has brought the gift of grace to us, according to John 1:17 and Romans 5:15b?
 - Why is Jesus Christ the only way to heaven?
 - The Bible often speaks of believers being "in Christ." How does this describe the way God sees us?
 - How does reflecting on the "cost" to Jesus Christ help us appreciate God's free gift of grace? See Galatians 2:21.
6. What is God's free gift in Romans 6:23?
 - Discuss some ways you understand that our life in heaven will differ from our life on earth?
 - How does knowing that we have eternal life change our perspective of life here on earth?
 - What things might people do differently if they truly believe they have eternal life?

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