



Show Me  
*Your  
Glory*

Message 4

Gracious

## Exodus 34:6-7

6 And the LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abounding in goodness and truth,

7 "keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children to the third and the fourth generation."

# God Reveals His Name Name = Character, Nature

- Merciful
- Gracious
- Longsuffering
- Abounding in Goodness
- Abounding in Truth



**(and Jesus is the proof)**

## What is God Like?

- God is **entrusting** Moses and Israel with the revelation of who He is.
  - The NT Church is given this same Commission.
- Last time we looked at the idea of God being **Merciful**.
  - It's the idea of **compassion**.
- Today, let's look at God being **Gracious**.

## Mercy & Grace

- Mercy is when you DO NOT get what you deserve.
- Grace is when you DO get what you don't deserve.

## Mercy & Grace

Ex: Judge forgives your crime (**mercy**).

- Then he adopts you, pays for your living expenses, teaches you how to live & makes you an heir to his estate (**grace**).
- We more easily receive mercy but we don't feel worthy to receive grace.

# Mercy & Grace

## Luke 15

- **Mercy is The Father receiving the son back into the family.**  
“had compassion” on him
- **Grace is giving the son a new ring, robe, sandals and throwing a party to celebrate.**

## Grace

- It's a rich word that contains several meanings and nuances.
- Grace is one of the most beautiful words we have.

**G**od's

**R**iches

**A**t

**C**hrist's

**E**xpense

# Grace

- Unmerited Favor – honor, esteem
- Undeserved Kindness
- A Free Gift
- Speaks of Benevolence, Goodness,  
Goodwill

# Grace

- Grace is an act of love, based upon the heart of the giver and not the actions of the recipient.
- Extended to someone who is in a lesser status or situation than the giver.

## Grace

Who was the first person mentioned in the Scriptures that found “grace” in God’s sight?

## Genesis 6:5-8

5 Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

6 And the LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

7 So the LORD said, "I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth, both man and beast, creeping thing and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them."

8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

[favor, honor, kindness, love]

## Ruth 2:10

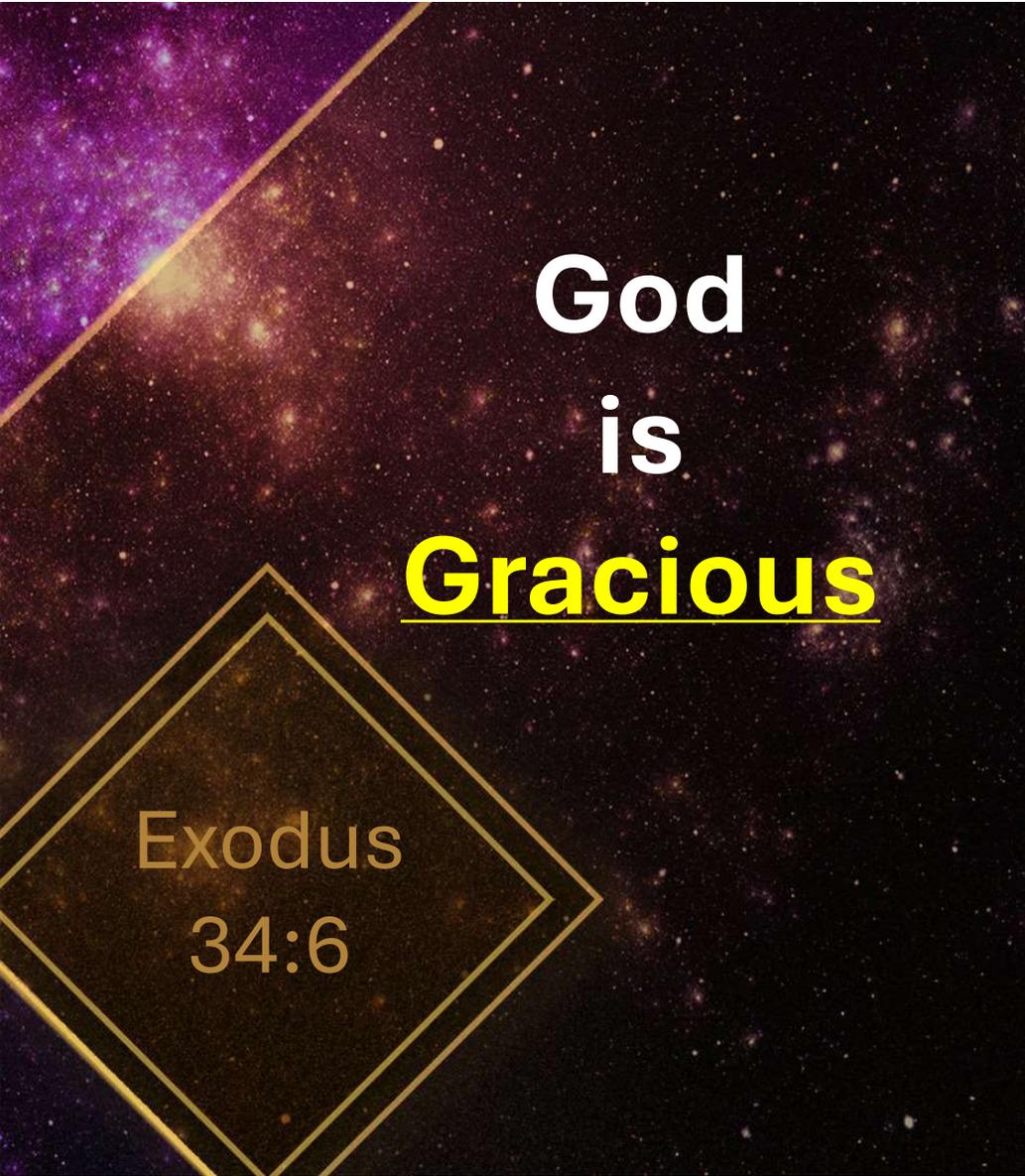
So she fell on her face, bowed down to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found **favor** in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I am a foreigner?"

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## Psalm 84:11

For the LORD God is a sun and shield; The LORD will give **grace** and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.

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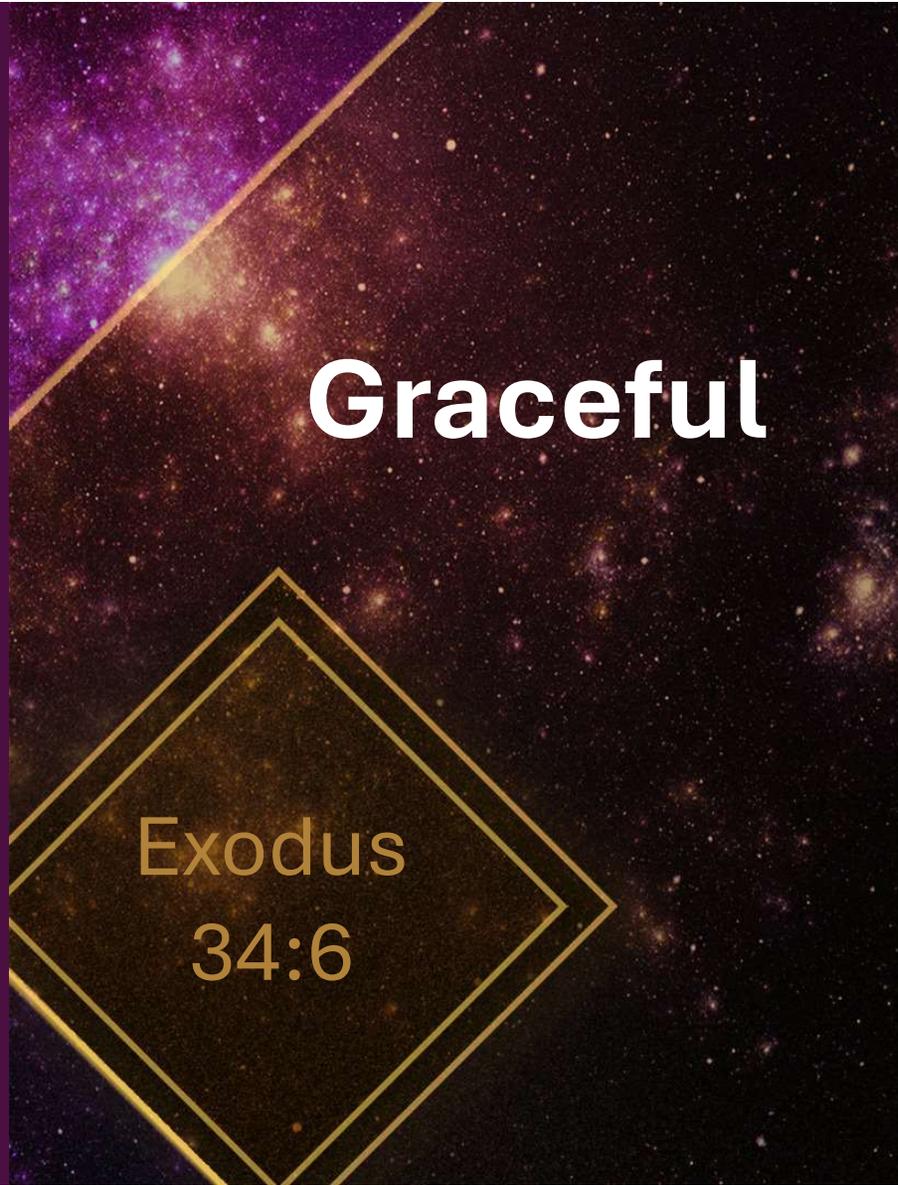
God  
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Gracious

Exodus  
34:6

Ever met a gracious  
person?

They are kind,  
considerate, courteous,  
thoughtful, forgiving  
and full of love.

God says,  
“I AM like that!”



# Graceful

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34:6

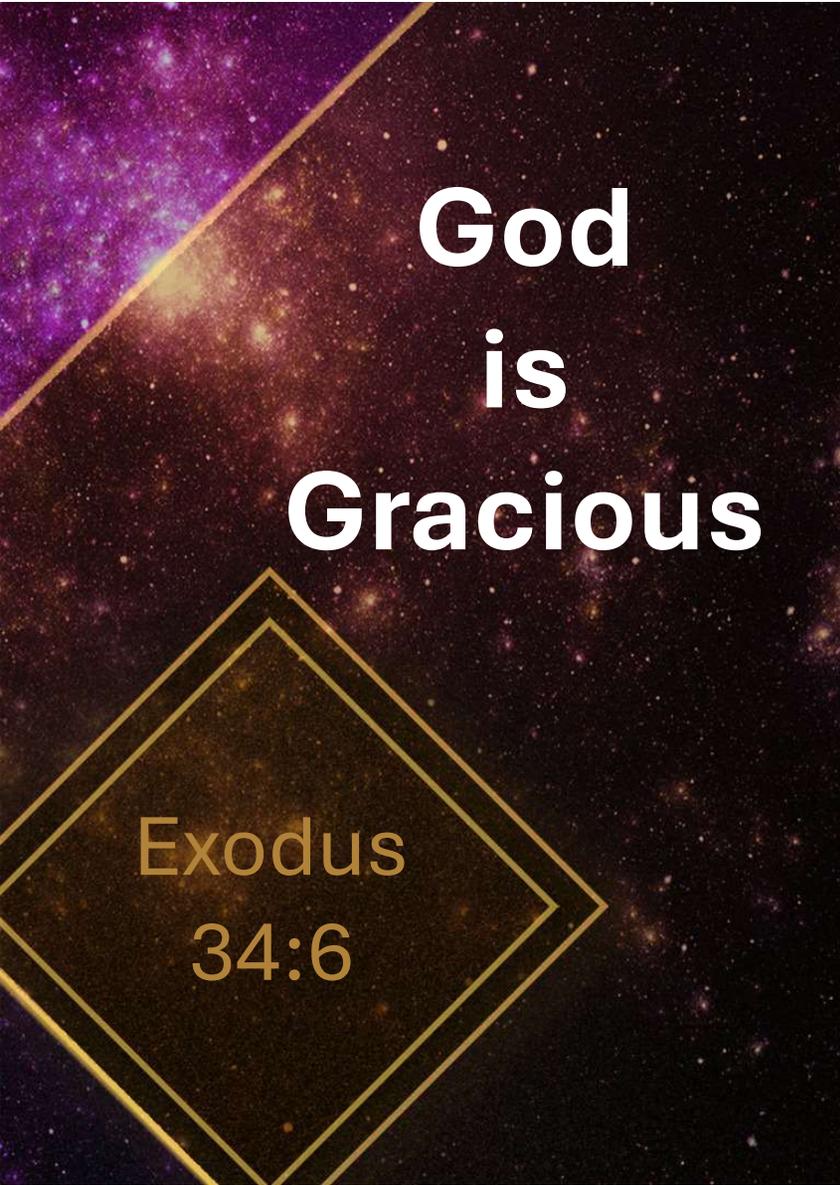
## Graceful

=speaks of something full of beauty, brings delight and enjoyment

= speaks of elegance, something to be treasured

Graceful as a deer, an athlete or dancer.

**Grace brings beauty to the world.**



God  
is  
Gracious

Exodus  
34:6

God has always been  
gracious.  
(there is no OT God and then a  
NT God)

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God's grace takes center stage  
in the New Testament in the  
person of Jesus Christ.

## John 1:14-17

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

15 John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'"

16 And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace.

17 For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

## Romans 5: 17

**17** For if by the one man's offense (Adam) death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

## Acts 4:33

And with great power the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And great grace was upon them all.

## Ephesians 2:4-9

4 But God, who is **rich in mercy**, because of His **great love** with which He loved us,

5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by **grace** you have been saved),

6 and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

7 that in the ages to come He might show the **exceeding riches of His grace** in His **kindness** toward us **in Christ Jesus**.

8 For **by grace** you have been saved **through faith**, and that not of yourselves; it is the **gift** of God,

9 not of works, lest anyone should boast.

## Hebrews 4:14-16

14 Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.

15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore come boldly to the **throne of grace**, that we may obtain **mercy** and find **grace** to help in time of need.

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**We live by the grace of God  
extended to us by The LORD  
JESUS CHRIST!**

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**Someone who experiences  
the grace of God should  
become a gracious person.**

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