

Oakland Church of Christ

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God Remembers You When You Need Some Grace



Grace is a gift you *cannot* earn.
Grace is a gift that meets a need

Receive grace

Luke 1:38. 2 Corinthians 12:8-9. Hebrews 4:16

It's humbling to receive grace. And a humbled person is ready to receive grace. When we ask God for grace, God gives it.

Thank God for grace

Luke 1:31-33. Matthew 1:21. Ephesians 2:8-9.

We need to be rescued from our sin. Only God can do it. And that's exactly what Jesus came to do.

Give grace

Matthew 1:18-24. Luke 6:32-36.

Grace is more than the minimum. Grace means going beyond the right thing to do.

Treat your enemies the way you treat your friends.

Group Life

For the week of Dec 15, 2013



- 1) What part of this weekend's message did you find to be most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain.

- 2) What would you rather receive: gifts from a store, or gifts that don't come from a store?
 - a) Which ones do you like to give?

- 3) If you want to, share a time someone really saved your bacon, let you off the hook, or did you a huge favor.

- 4) Read Ephesians 2. What did Paul want them to understand about grace? Jot down any observations or questions.

- 5) *Receive grace. Thank God for grace. Give grace.*
 - a) Which of these is easiest for you?
 - b) Which of these is hardest
 - c) What do you need to do as a result of what you've learned this week?