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Title: Ministering with Grace and Truth

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“John bare witness of him, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. 16 And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. 17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ. 18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.” (John 1:15-18)

Introduction: _____

1. The _____ of Grace and Truth

A. Grace and Truth Must Be _____.

B. Grace and Truth _____ Each Other.

QUOTE: “You can no more separate grace from truth than you can separate sunlight from the sun.”—**Martin Lloyd-Jones**

2. The _____ of Truth and Grace

A. The _____ Power of Truth

Truth reveals the essence of God.

1. God is not a man, that He can lie.

“In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;” (Titus 1:2)



2. His Son is the Truth.

“Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” (John 14:6)

3. His Word is the Truth.

“Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.” (John 17:17)

4. His Spirit is the Spirit of Truth.

“Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.” (John 16:13)

B. The _____ Power of Grace

“I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.” (Galatians 2:20)

Grace is the enabling life of Christ.

He came as the truth of God to be our way to God and to live the life of God in us.

3. The _____ of Truth and Grace

A. _____ of the Christian

(2 Peter 1:1-9)

Grace creates the desire for a Christian to walk in truth. Grace produces holiness.

B. Edification of the _____

“But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ.” (Ephesians 4:15)

Grace causes Christians to hold each other accountable. We speak the truth in love. This doesn't make us feel good, but it makes us be good.

C. _____ the World (1 Peter 3:10-16;

1 Peter 4:1-6)

If we maximize truth and minimize grace, the world sees no hope for salvation.

If we maximize grace and minimize truth, the world sees no need for salvation.

4. The _____ of Grace and Truth

“Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen. (To the Galatians written from Rome.)” (Galatians 6:18)

A. The _____ Spirit of Christ

Grace and truth cannot be dispensed separately. Jesus was able to demonstrate both in every occasion. (Luke 4:16-22)

B. The _____ Spirit of Truth

(Ephesians 3:16-21)

Grace and truth cannot be demonstrated by the flesh. The Holy Spirit must enable the believer to walk in truth and extend grace. (1 Timothy 1:12-17)

Jesus said “For without me ye can do nothing.” (John 15:5)

There really needs to be a call back to Christ-powered ministry. Jesus did not condemn the world, yet He did not condone the sin of the world. Jesus confronted the world with its sin, and He offered His grace as the means of salvation. If we are to accomplish this kind of ministry, we will have to let Christ live in us so that He can work through us. A ministry of grace and truth can only be “of Him, through Him, to Him” (Romans 11:36).

Conclusion: _____
