

MADE RICH TO MAKE OTHERS RICH!

„For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich“ (2 Corinthians 8:9).

„And God is able to make all grace [all favour and every earthly blessing] abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.“ (2 Corinthians 9:8).

Everything we have received from God has not been given to us because we earned it but out of grace. Grace means God doing something for me that I don't deserve. The grace of God is the power of God that saves me, heals me, sets me free and gives me everything I need or desire. God has made his power available to me, and faith connects me with that power. Faith gives me access to this grace, this power.

„Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.“ (Romans 5:1-2).

„And you shall remember the Lord your God, for it is He who gives you power [grace] to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.“ (Deuteronomy 8:18).

„Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham's offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who have the faith of Abraham. He is the father of us all.“ (Romans 4:16).

God forgives us our sins—out of grace. God heals our diseases—out of grace. God gives us the ability to produce wealth—out of grace! We cannot work for and earn this grace. Jesus purchased this grace on the cross.

The old covenant is based on works! If you do this and this, you will get this and this blessing. The new covenant is based on faith.

Through faith I gain the blessings that Jesus attained for me: forgiveness, healing, wealth...

The old covenant says: Forgive and you will be forgiven. In the new covenant it says: Forgive just as Christ forgave you.

The old covenant says: Give and it will be given to you. In the new covenant, we give because God first gave to us. He gives seed to the sower.

The old covenant demands that I love God and my neighbour as I love myself. In the new covenant, God loves me first and pours his love into my heart so that I can love him and others. We love because he first loved us.

The law was not given to us so that we would keep it but so that we would realize that we can't keep it. We need help, we need grace, to be able to live as God wants us to. Under the new covenant, God first does something for us so that we can then do something for others. Everything we have and are comes from God. The old covenant starts with a working day: We work for God. The new covenant starts with a day of rest: God has done something for us!

God wants us to be able to bless others, so he blesses us. God wants us to make others rich, so he makes us rich. God wants us to forgive others just as we have been forgiven. God gives to us so we can give. We don't give so as to be blessed, rather we give because God has blessed us. God gives us seed to sow. Then he gives the seed power so that it can produce a great harvest. In that way we are blessed and can give more again.

Everything starts with God. Everything comes from God and everything flows back to God. Don't just believe that God forgives sins and heals the sick, believe that he wants to make you rich as well so that you can make others rich and be an even greater blessing. Faith does not sit back, it reaches out for MORE!

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