

Grace

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RECIPES

Most adults know what a recipe is.

A basic recipe for bread is flour, yeast, shortening, and salt.

If a main ingredient for basic bread is left out or substituted we not only have something incomplete and possibly offensive, we no longer have bread.

Imagine, for example, that in place of flour, we used gun powder or for shortening we used garlic paste, the results would be offensive non-bread.

Sometimes altered recipes even produce a beautiful looking product but upon eating it we discover it to be disgusting and nothing like we thought it would be.

Appearance is only part of what makes a recipe effective or viable.

I often look at things in terms of its recipe.

Humor has its recipes, happiness, beauty, and success all have recipes.

It doesn't matter if it is a bouquet of flowers, a marriage, or the attitude of a young child, everything that exist qualitatively are founded on their composite parts – their ingredients – their recipe.

Just as there are hundreds, if not thousands, of recipes for bread from all over the world, so are there thousands of recipes for what Man has called religion.

Some religious recipes include Jesus, but others do not. Some are based on rules, laws, rites, and rituals, others in pleasure, and still others in sacrificial obedience.

Some religions say theirs is the only recipe God accepts.

Interestingly, the “religion recipe” has not always included God, let alone Jesus.

Many religions are outwardly attractive, with wonderful buildings, manicured lawns, and orderly flower beds, but they are in reality hollow and void of true spiritual fulfillment.

STORY

(Several years ago, my Dad and brother and I attempted our hand at raising raspberries.) = L. Ron Hubbard's, Scientology.

The place was beautiful, progressive, and very well kept. We watched over the years as they erected an enormous production studio from the best of designs and materials.

But did their money and appearance make for a spiritually reliable religion?

What are the ingredients to a church of which God would approve?

Most of you know by now that I personally don't have much of a taste for organized religion, just like I don't have much of an appreciation for Sushimi.

I don't think eating raw fish is wrong or evil, and I respect a person's right to eat and enjoy it, but I never really developed a liking for it and know from experience that people can get awfully sick if such a food isn't properly prepared and presented.

To me the risks of eating Sushimi far outweigh the reward, and there are just too many other options of qualitative nourishment available when it comes to the dining out experience.

In fact, I'd rather go to the ocean or river myself, catch my own Salmon, cook it over an open fire, and taste what God intended me to eat from the beginning.

But in today's world this is not much a viable alternative due to our time and geographical constraints.

So I've learned to adapt, and have chosen to let others catch and prepare my meals, trusting that they have my interest at heart, and not their own, when presenting the product for my consumption.

When it comes to true and living Christianity, religious leaders have to be very careful with the recipes they endeavor to use when feeding the sheep – if they want to do it as God would have them.

The main ingredients of a true Christian religion are similar because they come from the same cookbook.

There are established essential ingredients in the bread of Life, my brothers and sisters.

When the quantities and qualities of the essentials are messed with, left out, or added to (because men have decided they can improve upon what God has

offered) the result is distasteful in the mouth of God – no matter how appealing it may appear or seem to be.

Remember, Proverbs 14:12

“There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death.”

The main ingredients in the Lord’s recipe for His Church include faith, rebirth, prayer, worship, and reading and hearing God’s Word taught.

Perhaps the most dominant ingredient in the Christian recipe is faith, but there is an element to the Lord’s Church that if it is missing or replaced, it makes for an altogether different religion.

This is the singular Christian ingredient of Grace.

In order to truly understand Grace, we need to first look at God’s moral Law.

Did you know that there are two ways to live with God after this life:

- 1) Perfect obedience to God’s moral Law
- 2) or by His Grace which comes by faith in His Son.

The first way is impossible for human beings – nobody can perfectly obey God’s Moral Law – not you, not your Pastor or Bishop, not the Pope or Prophet.

All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.

This makes the second way, God’s Grace, the only other way to His Holy presence.

God’s law is perfect, perpetual, holy, spiritual, broad and good. And if it could have saved people it would have . . . and there would have been no need for Jesus.

LISTEN TO THIS . . . LISTEN NOW

Galatians 3:21 If there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

God gave the Children of Israel, under the Old Covenant, His Moral Law. And they could not abide by it. They failed to obey it.

So even though the Law of God is perfect and holy, Mankind has not been able to obey it - ever.

So what did God do?

He sent His Son, who was perfectly obedient, fulfilled the Law, and we are now, through our faith in Him, saved by God's GRACE!

If the Law cannot save us, then no part of the law is necessary regarding our salvation.

Let me say this again:

If the Law cannot save us, then no part of the law is necessary regarding our salvation.

It is either The Law or, or, or it is GRACE!

Listen, listen . . .

ROMANS 11:6

*And if by Grace, then it is no more works: otherwise, grace is no more grace!
But if it be works, then it is no more grace, otherwise work is no more work!*

In other words, if it is works, then you are saved by works (or the Law). And if by Grace then by Grace. Period.

But it is NOT both.

So, what does it mean to be saved by grace?

It means that our salvation is not based on our ability, or our good hearts, or our tithings, or abstinence from alcohol or tobacco.

Our salvation is completely the result of God's mercy, moreso, HIS GRACE.

Listen to this . . . listen . . .

Romans 9:16

It (salvation) is not of them that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy!

Instead of banishing all of His disobedient creations from His presence, He offered us another way, a better way, the ONLY way, the perfect way . . . and He offers us salvation by His loving GRACE because of His Son's righteous sacrifice!

A simplified (and kind of crude) acronym for the meaning of Grace might be this:

God's **R**iches **A**t **C**hrist's **E**xpense.

Justice is getting what we deserve. As sinners, we deserve death and banishment.

Mercy means not getting what we deserve.

But Grace is getting what we don't deserve.

Does salvation come by justice, by mercy, or by grace?

Let's read in Ephesians chapter 2 starting at verse 1 to understand how we have been saved by grace of God.

Eph 2:1 ¶ And you hath he quickened, who **were dead** in trespasses and sins; Wherein in **time past** ye walked according to the **course of this world**, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: Among whom also we all had our conversation in **times past** in the lusts of our flesh, **fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind**; and were by nature the **children of wrath**, even as others.

4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, Even **when we were dead in sins**, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) and hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in

Verse one through three tell each of us the state we were in before coming to know Jesus through rebirth.

The LDS view of life is very different indeed. It maintains that we were born children of God. We are good and worthy and righteous. But the Bible teaches we were born “children of wrath,” operating by our flesh and minds, hence the need for rebirth. Let's read on . . .

heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus. For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

(Romans 6:23 The wages of sin is death.)

So WHILE we were spiritually dead in our sins, God, by His mercy and grace, provided us with Jesus.

We did nothing to merit this. We were in sin. And out of His grace He gave us this perfect gift we didn't deserve!

And why did God give us this gift? Because we could not return to Him any other way!

(READ IT AGAIN)

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: 9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Now here is where some religions start messing with the basic recipe of what makes Christianity, Christianity!

They take the simple message of God's Grace – meaning God gives us something we don't deserve – salvation - and they add to it, they redefine it, they alter the simplicity of its message in order to fit their doctrines, their religion, their ways.

They add to the ingredients by saying,

Well, we have to do things too!

**We have to be baptized!
We have to have an endowment!
We have to be sealed!
We have to endure to the end!
We have to do this, and this, and this,
and this and THEN you will be saved.**

Hogwash!

**In the Book of Mormon, in second
Nephi 25:23 it reads:**

**“for we know that it is by grace that we
are saved, after all we can do.”**

**This, my friends, is a bad ingredient.
This is not part of God’s recipe.**

**Why? Because it takes salvation by
grace and attempts to make it by grace
and works, by faith and the Law – this
is impossible AND it is against what the
Bible says!**

Listen to Romans chapter 11:6

**“And if by grace, then is it no more of
works: otherwise grace is no more
grace. But if it be of works, then is it no
more grace: otherwise work is no more
work.”**

**To say we are saved by grace and
works is akin to saying that a person is
pregnant and not pregnant, that they
are right and wrong, that they are dead
and alive.**

It is either one or the other, NOT both.

**Grace is grace - a free, unmerited gift
given without our deserving it.**

**Works, or the Law, is the Law. It is
either obeyed or it is not. And if you
have ever broken it, you are guilty and**

	in dire need of God's merciful grace.
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Why isn't GRACE preached in the LDS Church today?

What is the LDS aversion to the straightforward Biblical concepts of grace?

Before we open up the phone lines at 801 973-TV20 (973-8820) let me offer up a few reasons Latter-day Saints ignore teaching or emphasizing God's Grace.

First, it begins with a faulty impression of who God is.

When we worship a God as the ultimate source of power, without origins, uncreated, and omnipresent, we must be saved by His Grace – what could sinful human creations do to appease such a God?

But if the God you worship was once a man, has a body of flesh and bone, and has a wife, then you are dealing with a God who demands works for salvation. It is simple as that.

Second, it's because of their idea of who they are.

Latter-day Saints believe they are God's children from the get go – God's in embryo. This places them in a position of needing to work, to prove themselves, to advance.

To Christians, Man is but a creation. Man is dust who must rely on God completely to return to Him.

Third, it's because they don't comprehend who Jesus is.

There's little need for grace when our brother was Jesus, a spiritual sibling who "set the perfect example" for us to follow.

There is a tremendous need for grace when Jesus was God incarnate, who came to earth and offered up Himself because our offerings are meaningless without Him.

Last of all, Latter-day Saints refrain from preaching grace because Grace just doesn't make for good control of the masses.

A works-based soteriology is much more effective at getting people to work and serve in an organization.

In our fallen world, grace is often taken advantage of by weaker believers. Works, or the Law, goes along way to get people involved, motivated, and doing what a religion wants them to do.

Think about it.

But let me conclude with this thought in defense of Grace as a real and genuine motivator.

(MARRIAGE EXAMPLE) – Fear, Guilt or Love: what is the best motivator?

(PAUL'S WORDS)

1st Corinthian 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

CONCLUSION

THE LAW and GRACE

The Law demands, grace gives.

The Law says, "do," grace says "believe."

The Law exacts, grace bestows.

The Law says "Work," grace says rest.

The Law threatens, announcing a curse. Grace entreats announcing a blessing.

The Law condemns the best man, grace saves the worst.

The Law says, "do and thou shalt live." Grace says, "Live (in Christ) and thou shalt do."

The Law reveals the true character of God. The Law reveals the true weakness of man.

The Law was never meant to save.

You haven't kept the Law.

You aren't keeping the Law.

You are guilty of breaking the Law.

And despite all of your goodness and works, you deserve Hell.

The Law sets forth what Man ought to be, Grace sets forth who God is.

Grace comes because Jesus came, and in our place, lived righteously and died for our crimes.

It is not our work, it is His.

It's not our faith, it is His faithfulness.

It is not our goodness, it's His righteousness.

This is grace.

Poured out on all those who have faith on Him who was faithful.

Our Savior, our Lord, our King, and our God.

END NOTES TO GRACE

The faulty ingredient is legalism. The missing ingredient is Grace.

Grace.

What is Grace?

Why is it the answer to many of the problems in Mormonism today?

Why isn't it talked about and why has it been replaced with Law?

Can Law and Grace abide together?

Well, let's find out.

GRACE

Favor, mercy. Divine grace is the free and undeserved love and favor of God towards man as a sinner, especially as exhibited in the plan of redemption through Jesus Christ, Joh 1:17; 3:16; Ro 3:24-26. It is only by the free grace of God that we embrace the offers of mercy, and appropriate to ourselves the blessings graciously purchased by redeeming blood.

The "GRACE OF GOD," spontaneous, unmerited, self-directed, and almighty, is the source of the whole scheme of redemption, Ro 11:6; 2Ti 1:9. With it are united "the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ," who gave himself for sinners; and that of "the Spirit of grace," by whom alone the grace offered by the Father and purchased by the Son is effectually applied. Thus GRACE in man, or all true holiness, 2Pe 3:18, is traced up to the grace of God as its only source; and the gospel of Christ and the work of the spirit - both pure grace-- are its only channels of communication. Hence also all the fruits and blessings of the gospel are termed graces, 2Co 8:7; Php 1:7; not only regeneration, pardon, enlightenment, sanctification, etc., but miraculous, official, and prophetic gifts, the peculiar traits of Christian character, and everlasting salvation, 1Pe 1:13. In Ga 5:4, "grace" means God's plan of salvation by his mercy, not by our works.

Grace

- (1.) Of form or person (Pr 1:9; 3:22; Ps 45:2).
- (2.) Favour, kindness, friendship (Ge 6:8; 18:3; 19:19; 2Ti 1:9).
- (3.) God's forgiving mercy (Ro 11:6; Eph 2:5).
- (4.) The gospel as distinguished from the law (Joh 1:17; Ro 6:14; 1Pe 5:12).
- (5.) Gifts freely bestowed by God; as miracles, prophecy, tongues (Ro 15:15; 1Co 15:10; Eph 3:8).
- (6.) Christian virtues (2Co 8:7; 2Pe 3:18).
- (7.) The glory hereafter to be revealed (1Pe 1:13).

(CHEN) FIRST TIME IT IS USED IN THE BIBLE

Genesis 6:8 But Noah <Noach> **found** <matsa'> **grace** <chen> in the eyes <'ayin> of the LORD <Y@hovah>.

(T@CHINNAH) FIRST TIME USED IN THE BIBLE

Ezra 9:8 And now for a little <m@`at> space <rega`> **grace** <t@chinnah> hath been shewed from the LORD <Y@hovah> our God <'elohiym>, to leave <sha'ar> us a remnant to escape <p@leytah>, and to give <nathan> us a nail <yathed> in his holy <qodesh> place <maqowm>, that our God <'elohiym> may lighten <'owr> our eyes <'ayin>, and give <nathan> us a little <m@`at> reviving <michyah> in our bondage <'abduwth>. {space: Heb. moment} {a nail: or, a pin: that is, a constant and sure abode} Ps 13:3; 34:5; Isa 22:23

(Charis) FIRST TIME USED IN NT

Luke 2:40 And <de> the child <paidion> grew <auxano>, and <kai> waxed strong <krataioo> in spirit <pneuma>, filled <pleroo> with wisdom <sophia>: and <kai> the **grace <charis>** of God <theos> was <en> upon <epi> him <autos>.

KHARIS - Grace

GRACE FROM STRONGS

5485. cariv charis, khar'-ece
Search for 5485 in KJV

from 5463; graciousness (as gratifying), of manner or act (abstract or concrete; literal, figurative or spiritual; especially the divine influence upon the heart, and its reflection in the life; including gratitude):--acceptable, benefit, favour, gift, grace(-ious), joy, liberality, pleasure, thank(-s, -worthy).
See Greek 5463 (chairo)

KHARIO-Glad, Hail, Rejoice, Joy, God's Speed

GLAD, HAIL, REJOICE, JOY, GOD'S SPEED – all from Chairo, derivative of Charis

5463. cairw chairo, khah'-ee-ro
Search for 5463 in KJV

a primary verb; to be "cheer"ful, i.e. calmly happy or well-off; impersonally, especially as salutation (on meeting or parting), be well!--farewell, be glad, God speed, greeting, hail, joy(-fully), rejoice.

THOUGHT:

Only absolutes have the properties to bring about true peace in the human heart and mind. There is no rest or peace in uncertain positions or questionable action. Absolute peace can only exist in absolute positions.

Human nature understands this, seeks for this, yearns for this. This very facts opens everyone up to counterfeits. And counterfeits offer many of the things human beings need to feel secure, safe, and at peace. These counterfeits include:

Drugs and alcohol:

Overeating:

Another person, a spouse, a friend, or our children:

Sports, activities, clubs, or associations.

Religion or a specific philosophy:

Personal Experience:

ONLY ONE CONCRETE:

ONLY ONE ABSOLUTE:

Jesus Christ

Joh 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Ac 15:11 But we believe that through the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

Ro 3:24 **Being justified freely by his grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Ro 4:4 Now to him that worketh is the reward not reckoned of grace, but of debt.

Ro 5:2 By whom also we have **access by faith into this grace** wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Ro 5:15 But not as the offence, so also is the **free gift**. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

Ro 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

Ro 5:20 Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

Ro 5:21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Ro 6:1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?

Ro 6:14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

Ro 6:15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.

Ro 11:5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the **election of grace.**

Ro 11:6 **And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.**

Ro 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith

Ro 12:6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

1Co 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

1Co 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

2Co 1:12 For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in simplicity and godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to you-ward.

2Co 6:1 We then, as workers together with him, beseech you also that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.

2Co 8:9 For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.

2Co 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

2Co 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2Co 13:14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen. <<The second [epistle to the Corinthians was written from Philippi, a city of Macedonia, by Titus and Lucas.]>>

Ga 1:3 Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

Ga 1:6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

Ga 1:15 But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,

Ga 2:9 And when James, Cephas, and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship; that we should go unto the heathen, and they unto the circumcision.

Ga 2:21 I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.

Ga 5:4 Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

Ga 6:18 Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen. <<To [the Galatians written from Rome.]>>

Eph 1:2 Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Eph 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

Eph 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Eph 2:5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) {by...: or, by whose grace }

Eph 2:7 That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

Eph 3:2 If ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:

Eph 3:7 Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.

Eph 3:8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;

Eph 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

Eph 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. {to...: or, to edify profitably}

Eph 6:24 Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen. <<To [the Ephesians written from Rome, by Tychicus.]>> {in sincerity: or, with incorruption}

Php 1:2 Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Php 1:7 Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace. {I have...: or, ye have me in your heart} {of my...: or, with me of grace }

Php 4:23 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. <<To [the Philippians written from Rome, by Epaphroditus.]>>

Col 1:2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are at Colosse: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Col 1:6 Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ye heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:

Col 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Col 4:6 Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

Col 4:18 The salutation by the hand of me Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace be with you. Amen. <<Written from Rome to Colossians by Tychicus and Onesimus.>>

1Th 1:1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timotheus, unto the church of the Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1Th 5:28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen. <<The first [epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.]>>

2Th 1:2 Grace unto you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Th 1:12 That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Th 2:16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

2Th 3:18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. <<The second [epistle to the Thessalonians was written from Athens.]>>

1Ti 1:2 Unto Timothy, my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Ti 1:14 And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

1Ti 6:21 Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee. Amen. <<The first to Timothy was written from Laodicea, which is the chiefest city of Phrygia Pacatiana.>>

2Ti 1:2 To Timothy, my dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

2Ti 2:1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

2Ti 4:22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you. Amen. <<The second [epistle unto Timotheus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Ephesians, was written from Rome, when Paul was brought before Nero the second time.]>>

Tit 1:4 To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, {hath...: or, to all men, hath appeared}

Tit 3:7 That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Tit 3:15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen. <<It was written to Titus, ordained the first bishop of the church of the Cretians, from Nicopolis of Macedonia.>>

Phm 1:3 Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Phm 1:25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen. <<Written from Rome to Philemon, by Onesimus a servant.>>

Heb 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. {for the: or, by the}

Heb 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Heb 10:29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

Heb 12:15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; {fail...; or, fall from}

Heb 12:28 Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: {let...: or, let us hold fast}

Heb 13:9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace; not with meats, which have not profited them that have been occupied therein.

Heb 13:25 Grace be with you all. Amen. <<Written to the Hebrews from Italy, by Timothy.>>

Jas 1:11 For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.

Jas 4:6 But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

1Pe 1:2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1Pe 1:10 Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you:

1Pe 1:13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; {to the end: Gr. perfectly}

1Pe 3:7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

1Pe 4:10 As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

1Pe 5:5 Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

1Pe 5:10 But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

1Pe 5:12 By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.

2Pe 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

2Pe 3:18 But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

2Jo 1:3 Grace be with you, mercy, and peace, from God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love. {be: Gr. shall be}

Jude 1:4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Re 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

Re 22:21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.