

# Does God's Grace Still Amaze You?

Titus 2:11-13 Lesson 15

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## I. Introduction

*"I will always remember two things. One, I am a great sinner, and two Christ is a great savior." John Newton*

## II. Grace 101: The Past, Present, Future Works of Grace 2:11-14

*Paul sees that it's grace in one's conversion, in one's sanctification, and in one's glorification.*

### A. The Past Work of Grace v. 11

*Grace: God's Riches at Christ's Expense*

*God's grace describes God as perfectly bestowing favor on those who cannot merit it because they have forsaken it and are under the sentence of divine condemnation.*

Irresistible/Efficacious Grace:

*The real scandal of this universe is not that there is a hell, deserved by all, but that there is a heaven offered to all.*

Common Grace:

## B. The Present Work of Grace vv. 12-13

*“When the filth of my sin was sweeping me in my helplessness to eternal death, my God covered Himself in the muck of this world to rescue me, embraced me despite my filth, and now wants me to remain out of the mud. Such grace should make us so in love with God that we cannot stand whatever in our lives **resoils us and offends Him.**” Kent Hughes*

First of Two Snares we can fall into when we have a Faulty and Superficial Understanding of Grace

### 1. Legalism:

The Cure

## POA's

1. Are you sure of your salvation? Or are you trusting in your own works to save you? Can you clearly recall a time in your life when you responded by faith to God's irresistible grace, the time when you were made aware of how great your sin was and that the only way to be made right with a holy God was to repent of your sins and confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord.
2. Have you been presuming on God's grace? To presume upon this grace and kindness is a great sin. Are you taking grace for granted?
3. Are you in danger of being so familiar with grace that it's power has lessened, and you don't grasp your need for it daily. In what ways can apathy set in?
4. Is your pursuit of holiness fueled by grace? Is God's grace and His love the compelling force behind this pursuit or have you slipped into the snare of legalism? If so, in what ways?
5. What needs to change this coming week in view of today's lesson?

Make this song a prayer of your heart today.

### **His Grace Still Amazes Me**

Phillips, Craig & Dean

My faithful father  
Enduring friend  
Your tender mercy is like a river with no end  
It overwhelms me  
Covers my sin  
Each time I come into your presence  
I stand in wonder once again

It's deeper, it's wider  
It's stronger, it's higher  
It's deeper, it's wider (it's deeper, it's wider)  
It's stronger, it's higher (it's stronger, it's higher)  
Than anything my eyes can see

Your grace still amazes me  
Your love is still a mystery  
Each day I fall on my knees  
'Cause your grace still amazes me

Your grace still amazes me  
Your love is still a mystery  
Each day I fall on my knees  
'Cause your grace still amazes me  
Your grace still amazes me

Your grace still amazes me  
Oh, patient savior  
You make me whole  
You are the author and the healer of my soul

What can I give you?  
Lord, what can I say?  
I know there's no way to repay you  
Only to offer you my praise

Your grace still amazes me  
Your love is still a mystery  
Each day I fall on my knees  
'Cause your grace still amazes me  
Your grace still amazes me