

WE NEED HIS GRACE AND STRENGTH.

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Grace – Gk – *charis*-(*khar'-ece*) – Is the *merciful loving kindness, favour* of God, by which He applies His Holy influence on people, turns them to His Son, keeps, strengthens, increases them in the Christian faith, knowledge, affection, and kindles them to the exercise of the Christian character lifestyle.

Grace – Heb. *chen* (*khane*) –root word *chanan* (*khanan*) - *being gracious, kind, compassionate to someone without wanting anything in return. Freely given at no cost, nothing for nothing, without working for it. (unmerited favour)*

Grace/Favor is the strength and power of God that enables us to do what He tells us.

Philippians 4:13-NKJV

13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

AMP - ... *I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency].*

2Timothy 2:1-AMP

SO YOU, my son, be strong (strengthened inwardly) in the grace (spiritual blessing) that is [to be found only] in Christ Jesus.

Hebrews 13:9 (AMP)

.... for it is good for the heart to be established and ennobled and strengthened by means of grace (God's favor and spiritual blessing)

(1) Christ, as our Mediator brings access to the throne room to receive this grace/favor.

(2) Having a living faith, that is (walking in it) by trust in Him.

Hebrews 4:16-AMP

... Let us then fearlessly and confidently and boldly draw near to the throne of grace (the throne of God's unmerited favor to us sinners), that we may receive mercy [for our failures] and find grace to help in good time for every need [appropriate help and well-timed help, coming just when we need it].

Passion - ...the grace we urgently need to strengthen us in our time of weakness.

Weakness – *aramaic* – “tribulation”

The word “help” (in time for every need) in Heb. 4:16 is the word, *boethia* (*bo-ay'-thi-ah*) – it means “urgent help,” “aid” and is often used as “reinforcing,”- roping down (a ship in a storm).

Romans 5:2-AMP

... Through Him also we have [our] access (entrance, introduction) by faith into this grace (state of God's favor) in which we [firmly and safely] stand. And let us rejoice and exult in our hope of experiencing and enjoying the glory of God.

Justification – *declared to be in right standing with God*.

2Corinthians 5:21-AMP

... For our sake He made Christ [virtually] to be sin Who knew no sin, so that in and through Him we might become [endued with, viewed as being in, and examples of] the righteousness of God [what we ought to be, approved and acceptable and in right relationship with Him, by His goodness].

Romans 5:1-AMP

... THEREFORE, SINCE we are justified (acquitted, declared righteous, and given a right standing with God) through faith, let us [grasp the fact that we] have [the peace of reconciliation to hold and to enjoy] peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

Confession: I access the grace of God by faith right now. I believe I receive supernatural inner strength to do what the Word tells me to do. I am not moved by how I feel, because His grace is on me right now.