

2 Corinthians 6:1-7:1

1. Grace is ... (write down your favorite definitions)

Grace = Greek #5485 “charis” – grace, good will, loving-kindness favor

Grace in S_____ Acts 11:19-23; 18:27, Ephesians 2:4-10

God’s grace in living for Christ – some examples:

Grace ...

Enabling us to work hard for the Lord over the long haul 1 Cor 15:10

To C_____ one’s self in the W_____ in a way that honors God

2 Cor 1:12

In G_____ G_____ly 2 Cor 9:8,14 (context is v. 6-15)

To live with difficulties in a Christ-honoring way 2 Cor 12:9

To use spiritual gifts that God gives us Eph 4:7; 1 Peter 4:10

In singing psalms, h_____, and spiritual s_____ Col 3:16

To L_____ for C_____ and glorify Him 2 Thes 1:11-12

To teach truth to others and to be a laborer for Christ 2 Timothy 2:1

(read all of v. 1-7 to see what Timothy needed grace to do)

2. What does it mean “to receive the grace of God in vain”?

→ Failing _____ (v.2)

3. Avoid D_____ the M_____ (v.3)

Some things that discredit our ministry:

1. Handling H_____ things very P_____

Application: F_____ J_____ Galatians 5:22-23

2. Sin **Application: Be H_____ 1 Peter 1:13-16**

“Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.” – Romans 12:9

3. How we handle money

Application: Be Generous Proverbs 22:9; 1 Timothy 6:18

4. Don’t be U_____ Yoked (v.14-18)

Introspection:

(a) Are you relying on God’s grace to live for Jesus?

(b) Do you think about how your actions may reflect on the ministry?

(c) Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

Interaction – Questions to ponder for later discussion

1. How do we balance guarding the reputation of the ministry with the fact that some people won’t like our ministry?

2. How do you practically “be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus” (from 1 Timothy 2:1)