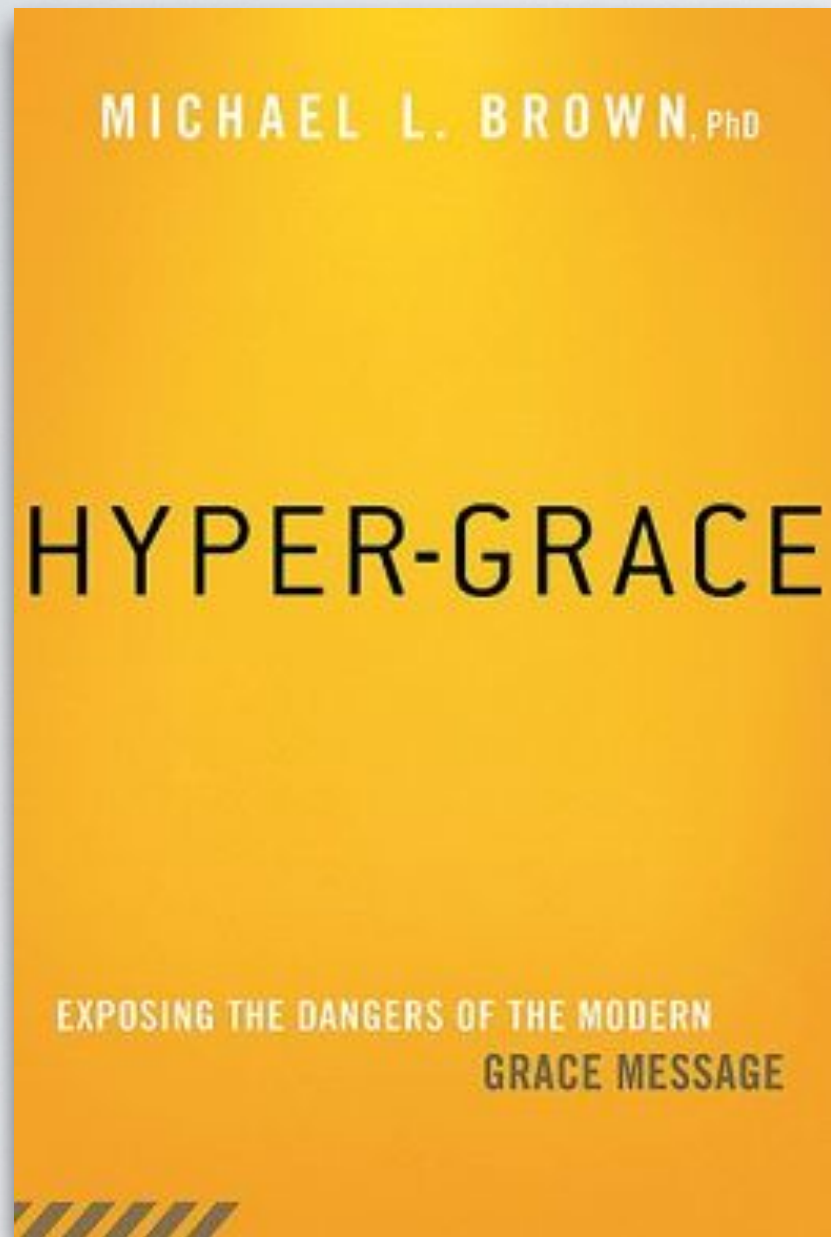


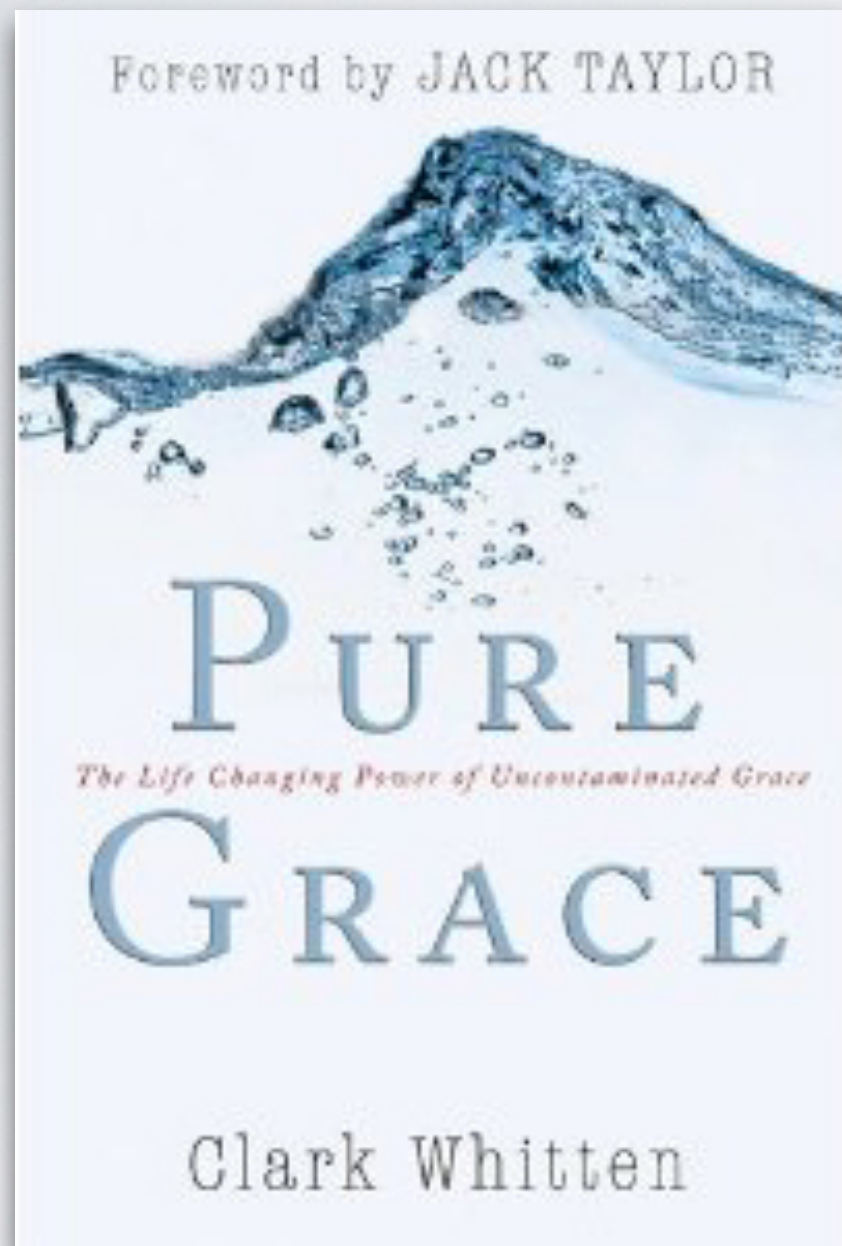
THE GRACE MOVEMENT

AN INTRODUCTION



DR. MICHAEL BROWN

A NEW GRACE REFORMATION?



CLARK WHITTEN

“There is a coming Great Awakening to the Body of Christ that will be resisted fiercely by the legalistic establishment which has so much invested in the sin management model of discipleship...”

—Clark Whitten

“religion—not real Christianity... is and always has been **in the behavior modification and sin management business.** It is so lucrative and so firmly entrenched in the Church that it will take a **second Great Reformation and a revelation of no less importance than Luther’s** to correct this great and spiritually murderous lie.”

—Clark Whitten



JOHN CROWDER

“Just as there is a new mysticism on the rise, I believe it is coupled with **a new reformation**. The good news will be preached with such clarity that, even the days of Luther will seem utterly primitive in its concepts of **grace** and faith... a clarity is coming to the preaching of the gospel like **has not been heard since the days of the Apostle Paul.**”

—John Crowder, Mystical Union

SOME IMPORTANT PRE-QUALIFIERS

- The Grace Movement is not purely monolithic.
- Not every teacher agrees with one another on every issue.
- But there are enough very commonly expressed ideas as well as a self-identification by many of the leaders and those within it to identify as a movement and assess it as such.
- The movement is a mixture, expressing many wonderful truths, as well as many deeply unbalanced and/or fundamentally unbiblical ideas.

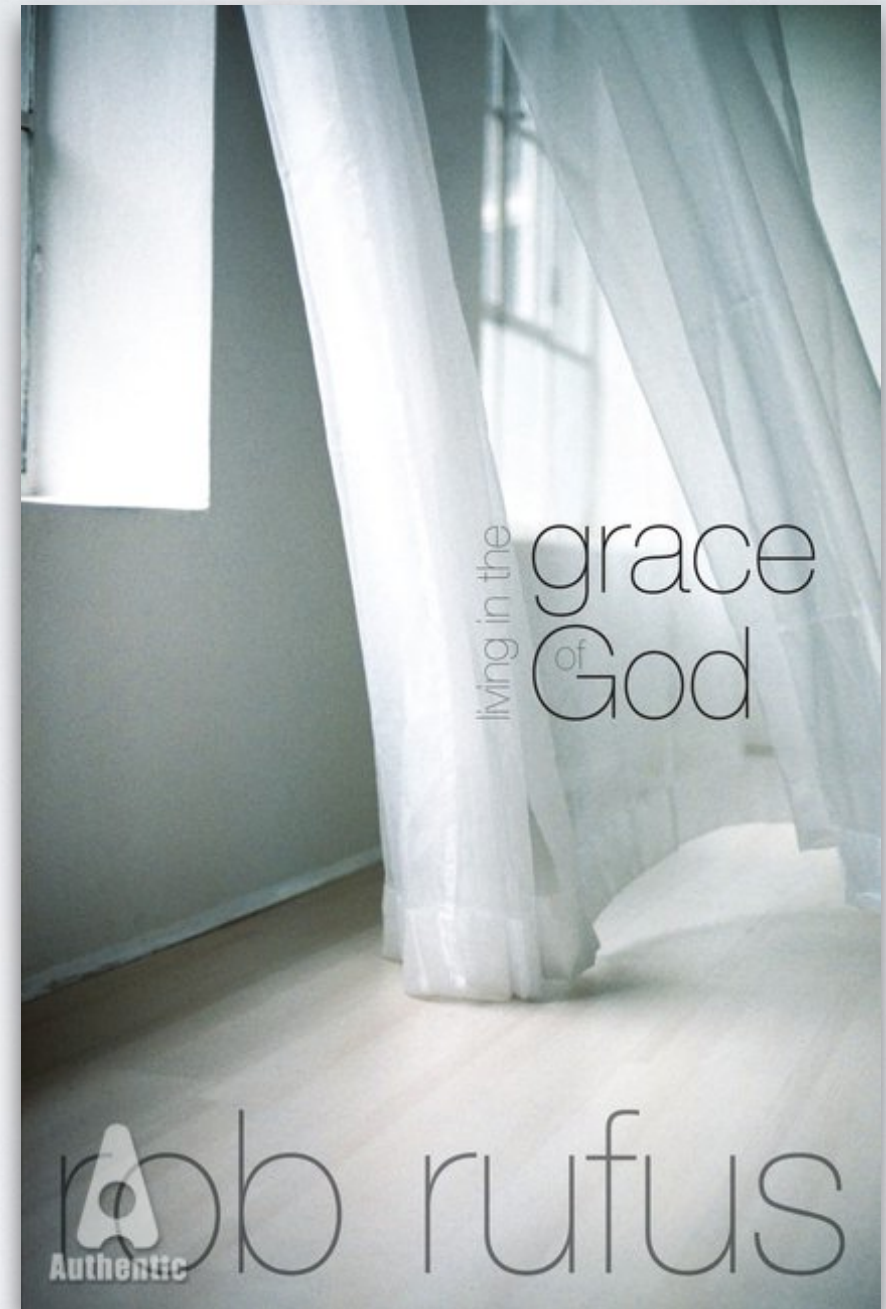
- Different people respond differently to different messages and have different needs.
- Those raised under legalism and condemnation may find freedom through the Grace Movement.
- But the Gospel remains the same. The Scriptures must be our standard.
- We must proclaim both the magnificent kindness and grace, as well as the immense severity of God.

Do not be conceited, but fear; for if God did not spare the natural branches, **He will not spare you, either.** Behold then **the kindness and severity of God;** to those who fell, severity, but to you, God's kindness, if you continue in His kindness; **otherwise you also will be cut off.**

Romans 11:21-22

THE POWER OF NARRATIVE

- David and Goliath
- Jesus and the Pharisees
- “Inherit the Wind”
- A huge problem within the Grace Movement is the abuse of the power of narrative to preemptively demonize any who might disagree with or challenge their message.
- Another huge problem with the Grace Movement is the childish effort to purposefully offend others.



ROB RUFUS

“Grace haters are the legalists who will try to intimidate, manipulate and dominate people with a spirit of witchcraft. The religious spirit in them wants everyone stereotyped and conformed to their own bondage. **They are parrots and puppets,** no longer voices for God, but echoes, not pursuing God but pursuing opportunities for position and prestige...

—Rob Rufus

“...If you try to live in the grace of God, I guarantee **Satan will send his agent** across your path to try to intimidate you and insinuate that you ought not to be living the way you are, that your freedom is not freedom but licentiousness. If you haven’t experienced this sort of thing it’s probably because you have never lived in grace.”

—Rob Rufus

The rock throwing legalists who fill modern Christian churches and **spawn the pharisaical preachers** they listen to each Sunday seem to be **more dimwitted than the Pharisees** of Jesus' day. They, at least, walked away without saying a word [in John 8:9] and had sense enough to keep their mouths shut, which is more than can be said of **the mean-spirited** Pharisees of our day.

—Clark Whitten

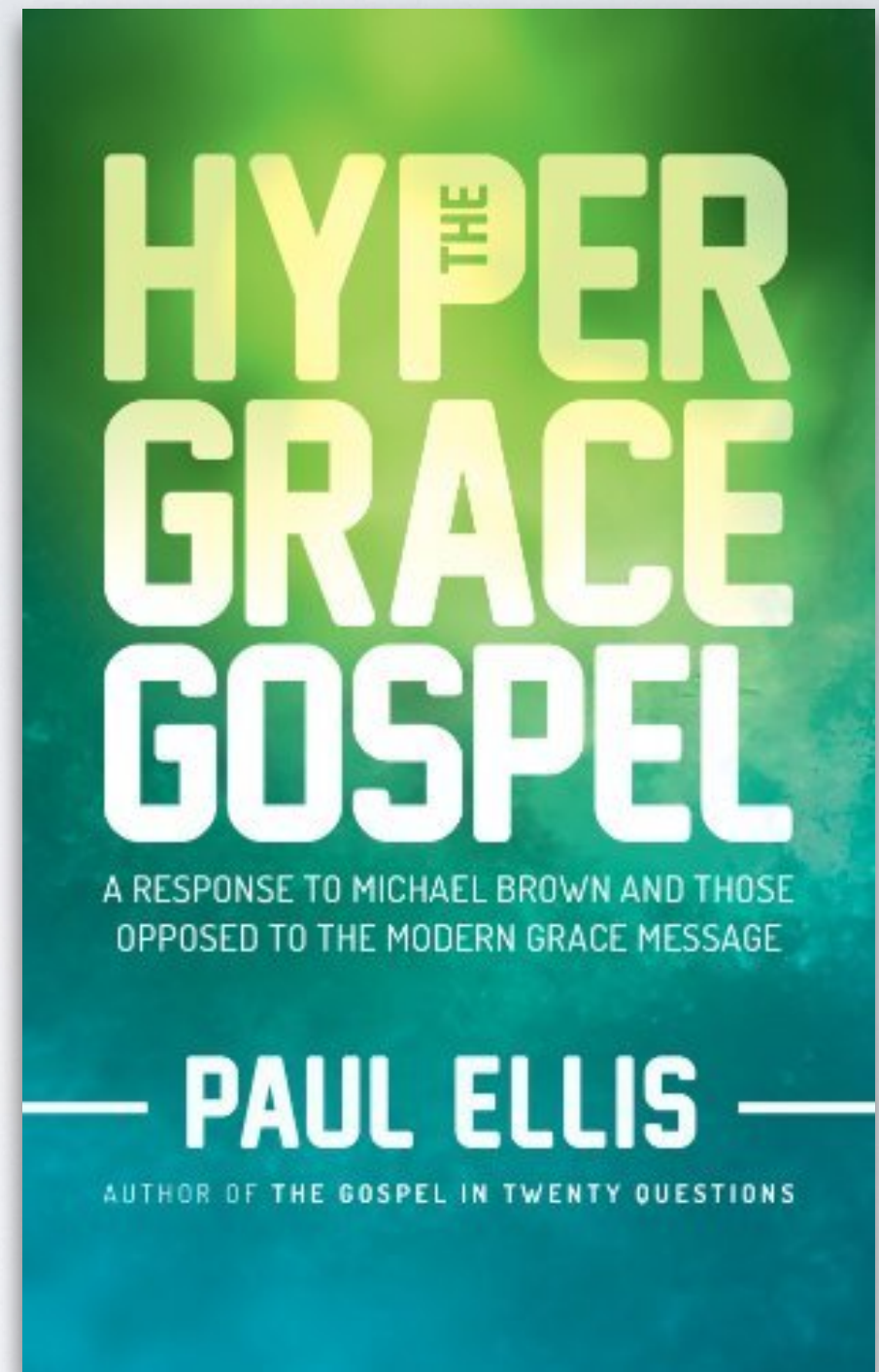
critics of the “so-called hyper-grace teaching” want to keep us in bondage and control so they can steal our tithes and offerings to make a name for themselves. I am into salvation by grace thru faith in Jesus. If you are not, then you not saved or born again. Tares and wheat are together until the end of the world.

—Clark Whitten



“STOP POINTING YOUR
FINGER AT ME!”

THE GRACE MOVEMENT'S WRONG DEFINITION OF REPENTANCE



PAUL ELLIS

“Biblical repentance simply means ‘change your mind.’ ... Your definition of repentance will reveal whether you are living under grace or works. In the Old Testament, sinners repented by bringing a sacrifice of penance and confessing their sins (Num 5:7). But in the new we bring a sacrifice of praise and confess His name (Heb 13:15). **We don’t do anything to deal with our sins for Jesus has done it all. Our part is to change our mind, believe the good news, and say thank you Jesus!”**

—Paul Ellis



PHIL DRYSDALE

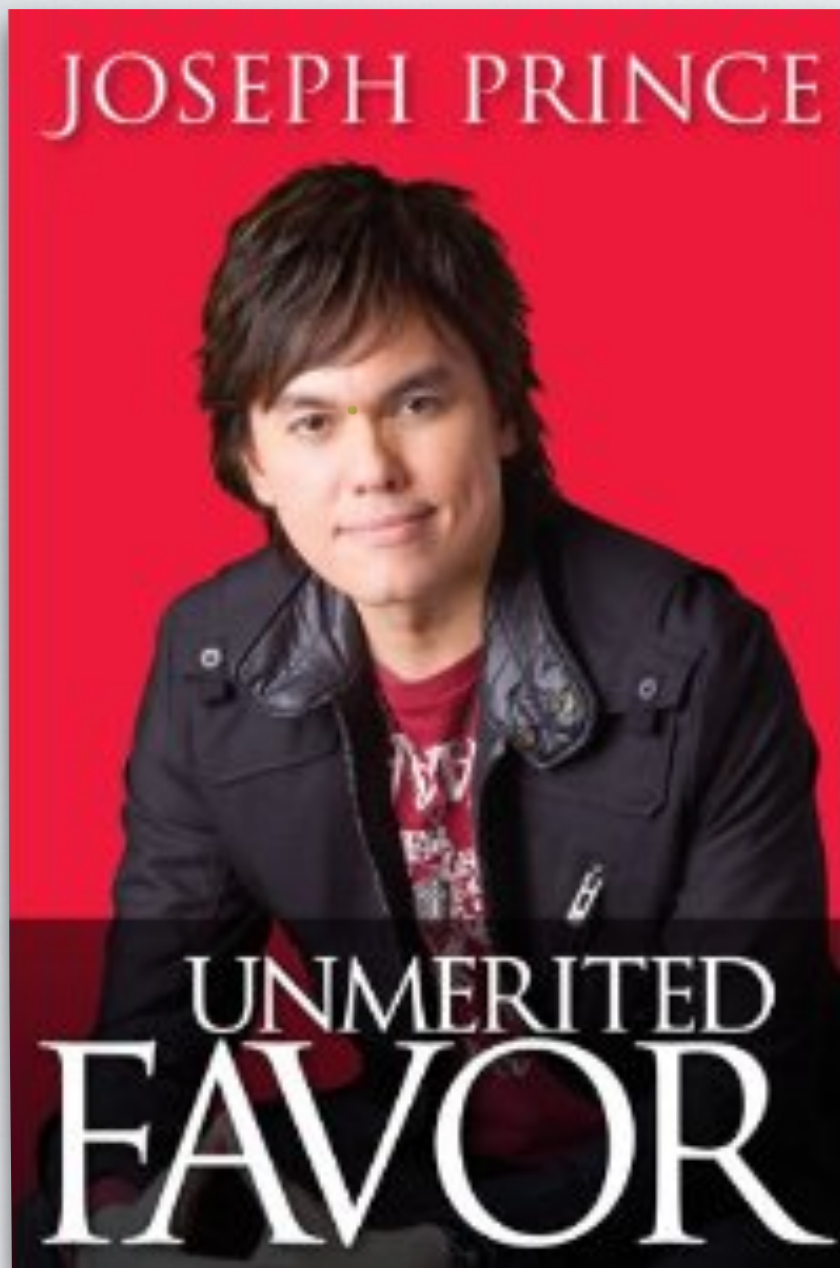
Most people think that repentance means **“to change their actions to please God.” ...**

But they are wrong. Greek 101 The Greek word we’ve translated to mean “repent” means something quite different. It’s the word “metanoia.”

... Metanoia means quite literally “change mind.”

Repentance is not about changing our actions to please God.

—Phil Drysdale



JOSEPH PRINCE

By the way, for all of you who feel that there should be more preaching on repentance, do you know what the word “repent” means in the first place? **The word “repent” is the Greek word *metanoeo*, which according to Thayer’s Greek Lexicon, simply means “to change one’s mind.”**

—Joseph Prince

THAYER'S LEXICON:

metanoia, repentance, and *metanoeo*, to repent

1. to change one's mind, i.e. to repent
2. to change one's mind for better, heartily
to amend with abhorrence of one's past
sins

ANALYTICAL LEXICON OF THE GREEK NEW TESTAMENT

metanoia has two main uses in the New Testament:

1. predominately of a religious and ethical change in the way one thinks and acts;
2. change one's mind, be converted;
3. as feeling remorse regret, feel sorry

THE GREEK-ENGLISH LEXICON OF THE NEW TESTAMENT: BASED ON SEMANTIC DOMAINS

metanoia in the New Testament means,

1. to change one's way of life as the result of a complete change of thought and attitude with regard to sin and righteousness.
2. Though in English a focal component of repent is the sorrow or contrition that a person experiences because of sin, the emphasis in **μετανοέω** [*metanoëo*] and **μετάνοια** [*metanoia*] seems to be more specifically the total change, both in thought and behavior, with respect to how one should both think and act.

JESUS SAID

‘Therefore remember from where you have fallen,
and **repent and do the deeds you did at
first;** or else I am coming to you and will remove
your lampstand out of its place—**unless you
repent.**

Revelation 2:5

The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not **repent of the works of their hands**, so as not to worship demons, and the idols of gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk; and they did not **repent of their murders nor of their sorceries nor of their immorality nor of their thefts.**

Revelation 9:20-21

BIBLICALLY SPEAKING,
REPENTANCE INVOLVES
MIND **AND** ACTION

CAN WE PLEASE GOD?

“If you are ‘working’ to please Him, you are in for a lifetime of unfinished business, and it will leave you perpetually exhausted!”

—Clark Whitten

“It is high time the church gets delivered from God pleasing.”

—John Crowder

“Find out what pleases the Lord”

Ephesians 5:10, NIV

“So we make it our goal to please Him”

2 Corinthians 5:9, NIV

“And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and **may please him in every way**: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God”

Colossians 1:10, NIV

“Finally, brothers, we instructed you how to live **in order to please God**, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more”

I Thessalonians 4:1, NIV

“We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts”

I Thessalonians 2:4, NIV

THE GRACE MOVEMENT & FALSE IDEAS CONCERNING REPENTANCE

**“Stop examining yourself and
searching your heart for sin.**

Remember that when someone takes his sin offering to the priest, the priest does not examine him. He examines the sin offering.”

—Joseph Prince

“Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an **unworthy manner** will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. **Let a person examine himself, then**, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on himself. That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged.

1 Corinthians 11:27-31 NIV

“Examine yourselves”

2 Corinthians 13:5

3 REASONS WHY I DON'T PREACH ON REPENTANCE (“TURN FROM SIN”)

“Religious people often complain that we grace preachers don’t emphasize repentance sufficiently. It’s true. I hardly emphasize it at all. But then neither did the Apostle John. You’d think if salvation hinged on our repentance then it would be in the gospels, but John says nothing about it. Not one word. Neither does he mention repentance in any of his three letters. I guess John must’ve been a grace preacher.”

—Paul Ellis

Now in those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, “**Repent**, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Matthew 3:2

Now after John had been taken into custody, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; **repent** and believe in the gospel.”

Mark 1:14-15

And He summoned the twelve and began to send them out in pairs... They went out **and preached that men should repent.**

Mark 6:7,12

Now when they heard this, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brethren, what shall we do?” Peter said to them, “**Repent**, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:37-38

“Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance,
**God is now declaring to men that all
people everywhere should repent, because
He has fixed a day in which He will judge
the world in righteousness through a Man
whom He has appointed,** having furnished proof
to all men by raising Him from the dead.”

Acts 17:30-31

“The world... hates Me because **I testify of it, that its deeds are evil.**

John 7:7

“For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light for fear that his **deeds will be exposed.** But he who practices the truth comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be manifested as having been wrought in God.”

John 3:20-21

“Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which all who are in the tombs will hear His voice, and will come forth; **those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment.**

John 5:28-29

“[Y]ou should reject any message that defines repentance as turning from sin. Let me give you a picture to illustrate true repentance.

Suppose I call you up and give you an invitation to come to my house. You’ve never been here before so you need directions. There are two ways I could direct you. I could give you my address and provide an accurate picture of where I live. Or I could say, “flee from your house — just drive from your house as fast as possible and don’t look back.” Do you see the difference? In both cases you’re going to leave your house. That’s guaranteed. But only by trusting my directions will you arrive at my house. Repentance is just like that. **It’s not fleeing from sin like a Pharisee.** It’s turning to God in faith. In both cases you will leave your sin. But only by trusting God will you actually arrive someplace better than where you started.”

—Paul Ellis

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, **let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely,** and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. **In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood.**

Hebrews 12:1-4

Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. **Resist him**, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

1 Peter 5:8-9

Make every effort (strive) to live in
peace with everyone **and to be holy**;
without holiness no one will see the Lord.

Hebrew 12:14

“The moment you decide to do something to be holy, you have trusted in yourself, instead of Christ, for salvation.”

—John Crowder

Therefore, having these promises, beloved,
**let us cleanse ourselves from all
defilement of flesh and spirit,
perfecting holiness in the fear of
God.**

2 Corinthians 7:1

As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance, but like the Holy One who called you, **be holy yourselves also in all your behavior;** because it is written, “YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY.” If you address as Father **the One who impartially judges according to each one’s work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay on earth;**

I Peter 1:15-18

“That **each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor**, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God... **For God has not called us for impurity, but in holiness.** Therefore whoever disregards this, disregards not man but God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you”

2 Thessalonians 4: 4-5, 7-8

This is a trustworthy statement; and concerning these things I want you to speak confidently, **so that those who have believed God will be careful to engage in good deeds.**

These things are good and profitable for men.

Titus 3:8

in all things **show yourself to be an
example of good deeds**, with purity in
doctrine, dignified,

Titus 2:7

**Our people must also learn to
engage in good deeds** to meet pressing
needs, so that they will not be unfruitful.

Titus 3:14

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; and **let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds**

Hebrews 10:23-24

Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, **they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.**

1 Peter 2:12

Enoch, in the seventh generation from Adam, prophesied, saying, “Behold, the Lord came with many thousands of His holy ones, **to execute judgment upon all, and to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodly deeds which they have done in an ungodly way,** and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.”

Jude 1:14-15

‘He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations

Revelation 2:26

For **we must all appear before
the judgment seat of Christ**, so
that each one may be **recompensed
for his deeds** in the body, **according
to what he has done, whether
good or bad.**

2 Corinthians 5:10

Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, **who will render to each person according to his deeds: to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life;** but to those who are selfishly ambitious and **do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation. There will be tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil,** of the Jew first and also of the Greek, **but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good,** to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

Romans 2:4-10

And I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and **the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.** And the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; **and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.**

Revelation 20:13-14

DOES REPENTANCE INVOLVE
FEELING SORRY, REMORSEFUL OR
SORROWFUL FOR OUR SINS?

“because we have been influenced by our denominational background as well as our own religious upbringing, many of us have the impression that repentance is something that involves mourning and sorrow.”

—Joseph Prince

I now rejoice, not that you were made sorrowful, but that you were made sorrowful to the point of repentance; for you were made sorrowful according to the will of God, so that you might not suffer loss in anything through us. **For the sorrow that is according to the will of God produces a repentance** without regret, leading to salvation, but the sorrow of the world produces death.

2 Corinthians 7:9-10

THE GRACE MOVEMENT
SANCTIFICATION
&
REALIZED ESCHATOLOGY

“Little has changed in the Protestant church in more than 500 years... [The Reformers] got it right concerning justification, or how one is saved... **But they missed it on sanctification, or how one is perfected into the likeness of Christ.**” The Protestant church teaches that we are, “saved by grace but perfected by **human effort**,” which has produced, “a Church that is judgmental, angry, hopeless, helpless, dependent, fearful, uninspired, ineffective, and perpetually spiritually immature.”

—Clark Whitten, Pure Grace

False Grace Movement #2: Talks About Jesus' 2nd Coming More Than Jesus' 1st

This movement's ignorance of what grace has given them causes them to fixate on the 2nd coming of Christ to an extremely unhealthy degree.

By doing so, they effectively communicate that they are not happy with the job Jesus did the first time round and would **like Him to come back and do what they really want this time.**

—Phil Drysdale

Here are some ways you can spot this false grace movement:

Grace: Believes that Jesus did a mighty work the first time He came and it was more than enough to bring total transformation in our lives.

False Movement: Believes that Jesus only did a partial work on the cross and that we are waiting for Him to come back and finish the job.

—Phil Drysdale

Therefore, prepare your minds for action,
keep sober in spirit, **fix your hope
completely on the grace to be
brought to you at the revelation of
Jesus Christ.**

1 Peter 1:13

Here are some ways you can spot this false grace movement:

Grace: Believes that God has a plan to bless the Earth and we as His children are part of that..

False Movement: Believes that the world is an awful, dirty place that God wants to waste away and eventually be burned to a crisp.

—Phil Drysdale

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, in which the heavens will pass away with a roar and the elements will be destroyed with intense heat, **and the earth and its works will be burned up.** Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be **in holy conduct and godliness**, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by burning, and the elements will melt with intense heat! But according to His promise **we are looking for new heavens and a new earth, in which righteousness dwells.** **Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, spotless and blameless,**

2 Peter 3:10-14



JOHN CROWDER

“What I am telling you here is one of the most revolutionary principles in Christendom. I am preaching reformation clearer than it was preached 500 years ago. Martin Luther, you didn’t go far enough. God didn’t just cover your sins; **He erased sinfulness from you...**”

Even the reformers were not reformed enough. You will see how the cross united us to Christ, **not just positionally, but effectively. It doesn’t just cover our sins, but eradicates sinfulness itself from us.**”

—John Crowder, Mystical Union

that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death; in order that I may attain to the resurrection from the dead. **Not that I have already obtained it or have already become perfect, but I press on so that I may lay hold of that** for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3:10-12

“by a single offering he has perfected for all time
those who are being sanctified.”

Hebrews 10:14

For this very reason, **make every effort to add to your faith goodness**; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. For if you possess these qualities **in increasing measure**, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But whoever does not have them is nearsighted and blind, **forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.**

2 Peter 1:5-10

SANCTIFICATION
IS PROGRESSIVE

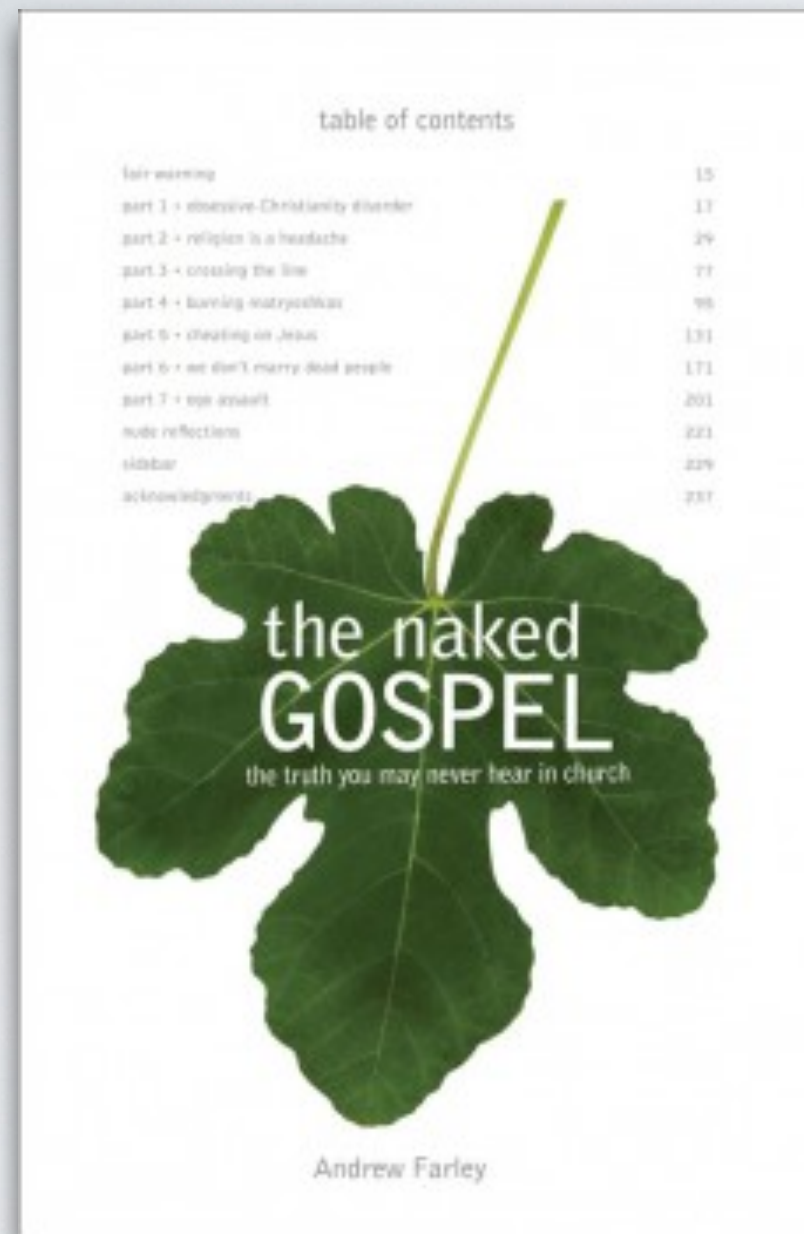
“I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, **so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.**”

Romans 6:19

If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar and His word is not in us.

1 John 1:8-10

IS I JOHN I
WRITTEN TO UNBELIEVERS?



ANDREW FARLEY

“John is not correcting believers in his opening statement. He’s addressing Gnostics who had infiltrated the early church and were teaching false doctrines....Verse 9 is a remedy for unbelievers who have been influenced by Gnostic peer pressure and are now claiming sinless perfection. John is essentially asking, “Instead of claiming that you have no sin, will you consider changing your mind? Instead of claiming you’ve never sinned, how about agreeing with God?” He’s inviting Gnostics to rethink their point of view. If they’ll admit their sinfulness, then God can do a saving work in their lives.”

—Andrew Farley

“John was not writing to believers in that chapter. He was addressing the Gnostics who had infiltrated the early church. Gnostics are heretics who do not believe in the existence of sin.”

—Joseph Prince

“In John’s epistle the beginning chapter is written to Gnostics not Christians.”

—Chuck Crisco

That which was from the beginning, which **we** have heard, which **we** have seen with **our** eyes, which **we** looked upon and have touched with **our** hands, concerning the word of life—the life was made manifest, and **we** have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to **us**—that which **we** have seen and heard **we** proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with **us**; and indeed **our** fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. And **we** are writing these things so that **our** joy may be complete.

I John 1:1-5

This is the message **we** have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say **we** have fellowship with him while **we** walk in darkness, **we** lie and do not practice the truth. But if **we** walk in the light, as he is in the light, **we** have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses **us** from all sin. If **we** say we have no sin, **we** deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If **we confess our sins**, he is faithful and just to **forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.**

1 John 1:6-10

Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. **They** went out from us, but **they were not of us**; for if **they had been of us, they would have continued with us**. But **they** went out, that it might become plain that **they all are not of us**. But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge.

I John 2:18–20

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CONCLUSION

For **the grace of God has appeared**, bringing salvation to all men, **instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously and godly in the present age, looking for the blessed hope and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus**, who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, **zealous for good deeds**. These things speak and exhort and reprove with all authority. Let no one disregard you.

Titus 2:11-15