## **GRACE BUILT** Part 2: Two Perspectives

Text: Acts 20:32 NKJ

## GIDEON: A MAN WHO RESISTED GOD'S GRACE

- A. A reason for the trouble (Judges 6:7-10 NKJ)
  - 1. Israel had turned to other gods
  - 2. There will always be "gods" of the land (Mark 4:19 NKJ)
- B. Two perspectives Gideon's reality vs. what God was saying (Judges 6:11-16 NKJ)
  - 1. Gideon receives some great news
  - 2. The Lord is with you and you are a mighty man
  - 3. Gideon rejects these words outright
  - 4. Gideon also rejects God's view of him

## WORKING WITH GRACE OR RESISTING GRACE

- A. Conflicting perspectives; Our circumstantial reality vs. what God has said
  - 1. "If God..."
  - 2. The reality of God (Hebrews 11:6 NKJ)
- B. Our personal story vs. what God says about us
  - 1. The definers of our lives
  - 2. God's grace-based definers (2 Corinthians 4:16 NKJ) (2 Corinthians 5:17 NKJ) (2 Corinthians 5:21 NKJ)