GRACE BUILT

Part 6: Responding To God's Grace

Text: Acts 20:32 NKJ

TEN WAYS TO RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

- 1. Receive grace (Romans 5:17 NKJ)
 - a. Grace has been given but we have to receive
 - b. We receive by faith believing in our heart, speaking with our mouth (Romans 10:8 NKJ)
- 2. Recognize grace gifts (Romans 12:6 NKJ)
 - a. All of us have different grace gifts
 - b. Paul recognized the grace of God was involved in his calling (Galatians 1:15 NKJ)
- 3. Work with God's grace (1 Corinthians 15:10 NKJ)
 - a. Grace can be present but it's up to us to respond
 - b. Everyone has been given grace to benefit the body of Christ (1 Peter 4:10 NKJ)
- 4. Depend on grace (2 Corinthians 13:14 NKJ)
 - a. More than just a nice ending to a letter
 - b. Becoming conscious of these powerful forces in your life
 - c. How we talk about grace has an impact
- 5. Stay connected to grace (Galatians 5:4 NKJ)
 - a. By avoiding a natural tendency to work for God's approval
 - b. Offering thanks for grace is a great way to stay connected
- 6. Communicate grace to others (*Ephesians 4:29 NKJ*)
 - a. Can't easily give grace and criticism
 - b. Can't easily give grace and judge
 - c. You can correct with grace (Colossians 4:6 NKJ)
- 7. Keep your heart full of grace (Colossians 3:16 NKJ)
 - a. When your heart is full it will flow out of you
 - b. Putting the word of Christ in you in abundance
 - c. An indicator of a heart full of grace (2 Thessalonians 2:16-17 NKJ)
- 8. Be strong in grace (2 Timothy 2:1 NKJ)
 - a. The salvation in grace
 - b. The right standing we have with God through grace
 - c. The blessings and access we have by grace
- 9. Be governed by grace (Titus 2:11-12 NKJ)
 - a. Grace teaches us to live differently
 - b. We are equipped to live differently
- 10.Be established in grace (Hebrews 13:9 NKJ)
 - a. To make firm, inspire confidence in, be strengthened
 - b. Direct contrast to works