

2023 GraceLife Conference (Session 3)

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Scripture References:

- John 1:16, *NLT*
- Psalm 45:2, 3, *CSB*
- John 14:9
- Hebrews 8:7, 8
- Luke 23:4
- John 18:38
- Romans 8:28
- Romans 8:28, *NASB*
- 1 John 4:19
- Song of Solomon 5:2-16, *TPT*
- 2 Corinthians 5:21
- Revelation 1:5, 6
- Luke 4:18
- Genesis 5:24, *NIV*
- Acts 19:13-16
- Romans 10:17, *NASB*
- 2 Corinthians 10:4, 5
- Galatians 3:13, 14

Summary:

*God gave us His Word to help us navigate our earthly lives. Life is a journey, and just like any journey, we'll get lost without a roadmap. God's grace figures prominently on our Christian walk; grace is a person—Jesus—and the Bible is the map to that person. However, if while traveling we feel condemned, it's because we aren't following the map. Jesus is extending unconditional acceptance and welcoming us with open arms, with no condemnation or judgment; seeing Him for who He really is and accepting His invitation gives us joy that the enemy can't take away.*

Notes:

1. The entire Old Testament was full of shadows of the person who was to come—Jesus. He is now our reality.
2. The Law of Moses was handed down by God, Himself, but was impossible to keep. The old covenant was fine, but the major flaw in it was that it was too perfect to follow.
3. Jesus is in love with us and wants a relationship with us; He wants us as equal partners. We are the apple of His eye.
4. A relationship with Christ makes us flawless in God's eyes. He sees no fault in us. When God looks at us through Jesus Christ, He sees us as flawless.
5. When we know Jesus through a relationship with Him, we become God's royal children. Without a relationship with Jesus, we're in spiritual peril.

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