



Part Two: Chosen By Grace

This series is all about the one thing that we all want and need ... Grace. Often times we think that the study of grace should begin in the gospel of Matthew with the birth of Jesus. However, a careful reading of the Old Testament reveals grace to be God's character from the very beginning.

Scripture: Genesis 12:1-3, 15:1-6

Bottom Line: A right standing with God comes through faith in the promises of God.

Discussion Questions

1. God was not surprised that the flood did not eradicate sin, so why did he cause such a "natural disaster"? How were the flood and the ark demonstrations of God's grace? (see Gen 6:5-6, 11-13)
2. Name several of the bad choices Abraham made that demonstrated he was not fully trusting God. Why did Abraham's unfaithfulness not wipe out God's covenant with him? (see - Gen 12:10-20, Gen 16:2)
3. Why do you think God asked Abraham to sacrifice his son? What would Abraham have learned from the experience? What would Isaac have learned from the experience? (see Gen. 1-19)
4. So far, we have seen God at work in the lives of Adam, Noah, and Abraham. How did God treat them the same? How did their reactions to God differ?

Moving Forward

What areas of your life do you struggle to trust God? It's hard for us to trust people we don't know. What are ways, this week, you can begin to know God and his promises better?