- 1 Corinthians 15:9-10 Grace works in, with, and through us. We are what we are by His grace! Grace always brings benefits, including not the least, peace
- Titus 2:11 -12 Jesus is the personification of the grace of God, and shows us how to live & walk with Him. We are to be aware of how we present ourselves to the world, and realize others are watching.
 - Grace tells us not only what to do, but how to do it...teaching and instructing. and every aspect of Christian doctrine relies on the truth of His word and on His grace.
- Jeremiah 2:13 We, like Israel, can commit 2 evils-turning against Him and then turning to ourselves our own rules. Be careful and watch your choices and attitudes...keep God on the throne!
- Ephesians 1:3,6 God has blessed us with spiritual blessings, grants us membership in His family, and give all praise and glory to God the Father Who has taken us in because Christ has brought us in.
- John 6:27-29 His meat is the work of God, and to do His work, we must believe on Him whom God has sent--Jesus the Christ!

Characteristics of Grace--it stresses God's love and holiness

- A. God's holiness vs, man's sinfulness
- B. Works are a blessing in thankfulness to God, not a payment or bribe for our salvation...
 - a. We walk by faith, not sight!
 - b. We get excited and have a desire to do those works to please God because of His love for us
- Romans 4:1-5 Abraham believed first, then
- Romans 11:6 not works, but grace.
- Ephesians 4:1 ...we are called to do works consistent with our calling. Grace is the fountain of good works
- Titus 2:11 Everyone has the chance; not all take it... don't give up on folks; keep praying!
- 2 Timothy 2:1 Trust in His grace
- 1 Corinthians 15:9-11 By grace, we become what we can be in Him, notwithstanding our backgrounds! Make it count! Trust in Him! Change and leave the things that are not Godly since Grace gives power to motivate the change to be more and more like Jesus.
- 2 Peter 1:1-4 Grace shows us God's nature, guarantees the believer's salvation, and shows us to depend on the Character and Nature of God, not on man!
- Ephesians 2:8-9 Salvation is a gift
- Ephesians 2:1-5 We are with Jesus completely and only by the grace of God, no longer dead and separated from God through spiritual death, but now fully alive and reconnected to Him!
- Colossians 2:10 We are spiritually complete because of Jesus and the Grace of God, gifted for ministry to reach out and share His grace with any and all. Walk by faith and you'll find it as He uses you in the lives of others.
- Ephesians 2:14-18 By grace and through faith all have access to the Father, and therefore all can have the peace of salvation!

Galatians 6:12-16 Outward signs are not the point... only being a new person in Christ brings peace

1 John 1:9 He promises that if we confess, He will forgive...and cleanse us! It is done through the blood of Jesus the Christ!

1 John 3:21 Our confidence is in God, and nothing else!

Galatians 5:22-23 If you have Christ, you can produce the fruit of the Spirit, but that comes only after becoming a believer!

Psalm 119:165 Love HIs law and nothing offends you, unless you are walking away from that love Proverbs 3:13-17 Wisdom! It comes through understanding the character and law of God in Jesus Christ! 1 Thessalonians 5:13 Sow and water your mind with the Word--you will harvest love and works of peace.

Where are you seeking your peace? How are you seeking your peace?

Scripture calls Jesus the Prince of Peace.

John 14:27 He leaves us with peace

John 16:33 He tells us how to have peace--rest in His grace & His victory over the enemy eternally.

Hebrews 12:12-14 Be a channel of love and caring to others and seek and pursue peace

Hebrews 13:9 Be established in Him with grace..there is no room for self-righteousness...

Romans 3:23-24 Our sins separate us, but His grace has redeemed us and brought us home!

Galatians 4:4-6 We are His because grace through Jesus the Christ and are now adopted in as family and His sons and daughters to stand with and beside our brother and advocate, Your only begotten son, Jesus!

HYMN: AMAZING GRACE

