



— OCTOBER SERMON SERIES —

AMAZING *Grace*

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What Is It?

Amazing Grace is a four-week devotional journey designed to help us grow in our understanding and experience of God's amazing grace. Through daily Scripture readings, Grace Spotlights, Wednesday WOW Bible Study, and Sunday worship, we will explore the many ways God's grace is at work in our lives.

From the moment we receive Christ and throughout every season of our lives, we depend upon the grace of God. Whether we are walking through seasons of strength or struggle, success or suffering, certainty or change, there is grace for the journey!

When Is It?

October 5 – November 1

Why Are We Doing It?

Our goal is not simply to learn more about grace, but to recognize it, receive it, rely on it, and reflect it in the way we live.

How Do I Participate?

1. **READ** — Read the daily Scripture passage and discover what it teaches about God's grace.
2. **REFLECT** — Read the **Grace Spotlight** and use the Ponder question to examine how grace is at work in your life.
3. **RECEIVE** — Attend **Wednesday WOW Bible Study** as we dig deeper into the biblical meaning and work of grace.
4. **RESPOND** — Join Sunday worship and use the sermon and GPS Guide to put grace into practice.

Week One Emphasis: **Sustaining Grace**

God's grace sustains us through every season, giving us the strength to stand, the help to endure, and the assurance that He will keep us.

Monday, October 5

Passage: 1 Peter 5:5-11 NKJV, "But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you." vs. 10

Grace Spotlight: Peter writes to believers facing suffering and reminds them that the God of all grace has the final word over what they are facing.

Grace Lesson: Sovereignty — Sustaining grace trusts God's hand even when we cannot understand God's plan.

Ponder: Am I trusting God's hand in the areas of my life where I cannot yet understand His plan?

Tuesday, October 6

Passage: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 NKJV, "And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore, most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me." vs. 10

Grace Spotlight: Read about Paul, who asked God three times to remove his "thorn in the flesh," but discovered that God's grace was sufficient even when his struggle remained.

Grace Lesson: Sufficiency — Sustaining grace is enough when our strength is not.

Ponder: Where am I struggling to believe that God's grace is enough for what I am facing?

Wednesday, October 7

Passage: Hebrews 4:14-16 NKJV, "Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." vs. 16

Grace Spotlight: Because Jesus is our compassionate High Priest, we can approach God confidently when we need help.

Grace Lesson: Support — Sustaining grace gives us help when we need it most.

Ponder: When I need help, is my first instinct self-reliance or God's throne of grace?

Thursday, October 8

Passage: James 4:6-10 NKJV, "But He gives more grace. Therefore, He says: "God resists the proud, But, gives grace to the humble." vs. 6

Grace Spotlight: James connects greater grace with humility, submission to God, and resistance to the enemy.

Grace Lesson: Supply: Sustaining grace provides more when life demands more.

Ponder: Where have I assumed I do not have enough without considering that God gives more grace?

Friday, October 9

Passage: 2 Timothy 2:1-10 NKJV, "Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." vs. 1

Grace Spotlight: Read about Timothy, a young leader whom Paul encouraged to remain faithful and draw his strength from the grace found in Christ Jesus.

Grace Lesson: Strength — Sustaining grace gives us strength to keep going when we feel like giving up.

Ponder: *Where do I need to stop relying on my own strength and start drawing strength from God's grace?*

Saturday, October 10

Passage: Acts 20:28-32 NKJV, "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified" vs. 32

Grace Spotlight: Read about Paul as he prepared to leave the Ephesian elders, uncertain of what awaited him but confident that God and the word of His grace were able to keep building them up.

Grace Lesson: Security — Sustaining grace keeps us secure when the future is uncertain.

Ponder: *Can I trust God's grace with what happens next, even when I cannot control the outcome?*

Sunday, October 11

Prayer/Praise: Join us for worship on-site or @ www.newmtmoriahmbc.org or Facebook Live

Also join us for Revival October 12 & 13- Guest Pastor- Dr. Carlos Williams

Week Two Emphasis: **Saving Grace**

Saving grace is God's gift: we cannot earn it, deserve it, or achieve it—we can only receive it through faith in Jesus Christ.

Monday, October 12

Passage: **Ephesians 2:8-9 NKJV**, "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." vs. 9

Grace Spotlight: Paul reminds believers that salvation is God's gift rather than the result of human works.

Grace Lesson: Rescue — Saving grace rescues us from what we could not rescue ourselves from.

Ponder: Am I resting in Christ's finished work or still trying to earn what God gives by grace?

Tuesday, October 13

Passage: **Romans 3:21-26 NKJV**, "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus" vs. 24

Grace Spotlight: Paul explains that sinners are made right with God through the price that Christ paid rather than personal merit.

Grace Lesson: Redemption — Saving grace pays a price we could never pay.

Ponder: How does knowing that Christ paid the price change the way I see my standing with God?

Wednesday, October 14

Passage: **1 Timothy 1:12-16 NKJV**, "And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." vs. 14-15

Grace Spotlight: Paul uses his own story as evidence that Christ's grace can reach people whose past appears to disqualify them.

Grace Lesson: Restoration — Saving grace gives broken stories a redemptive future.

Ponder: What part of my story have I treated as beyond the reach of God's grace?

Thursday, October 15

Passage: **2 Timothy 1:9-12 NKJV**, "Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began." vs. 9

Grace Spotlight: Read about Timothy, whom Paul reminds that God saved and called them; not because of their works, but according to His own purpose and grace given through Christ.

Grace Lesson: Reason — Saving grace not only rescues us from something; God saves us for something.

Ponder: Am I living only grateful for what God saved me from, or intentionally pursuing what He saved me for?

Friday, October 16

Passage: 2 Corinthians 5:17-20 NKJV, "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation" vs. 17-18

Grace Spotlight: Read about Paul, who teaches that through Christ we are not only made new, but brought back into relationship with God.

Grace Lesson: Reconciled — Saving grace restores our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Ponder: Am I living in the freedom of being reconciled to God, or still allowing my past to keep me at a distance?

Saturday, October 17

Passage: Luke 15:11-24 NKJV, "The father "had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him." (v. 20)

Grace Spotlight: Jesus pictures the Father's gracious welcome through the return of a son who had squandered what he had been given.

Grace Lesson: Reception — Saving grace receives us with compassion when we return to the Father.

Ponder: Do I truly believe that God's grace receives me when I return to Him, or does shame make me expect rejection?

Sunday, October 18

Prayer/Praise: Join us for **Youth Sunday** on-site or @ www.newmtmoriahmbc.org or Facebook Live

Week Three Emphasis: **Shaping Grace**

Grace does not stop when we are saved. The grace of God meets us as we are but continues working in us so that we become more like Christ.

Monday, October 19

Passage: 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 NKJV, "But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord." vs. 18

Grace Spotlight: Read about Paul, who teaches that the Spirit of God is continually transforming believers so that they increasingly reflect the image of Christ.

Grace Lesson: Transformation — Shaping grace transforms us into the image of Christ.

Ponder: If I become like what I behold, what has been receiving most of my attention and is it shaping me to look more like Christ?

Tuesday, October 20

Passage: Philippians 2:12-16 NKJV, "Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure." vs. 12-13

Grace Spotlight: Paul reminds believers that spiritual growth is not accomplished by our effort alone. As we faithfully live out our salvation, God is at work within us, shaping both our desires and our actions according to His good pleasure.

Grace Lesson: Tuning — Shaping grace aligns our desires and our actions with God's will.

Ponder: Where is God working in me to bring what I desire and what I do into greater alignment with His will?

Wednesday, October 21

Passage: Romans 6:5-14 NKJV, "And do not present your members as instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God. For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace." vs. 13-14

Grace Spotlight: Paul reminds believers that because we are under grace, sin no longer has the right to rule our lives. Grace gives us a new way to respond to the desires and habits that once controlled us.

Grace Lesson: Turning — Shaping grace empowers us to turn from the rule of sin and live under the rule of God.

Ponder: What do I need to stop allowing sin to rule me so that God's grace can continue shaping me?

Thursday, October 22

Passage: Titus 2:11-14 NKJV, "For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age" vs. 11-12

Grace Spotlight: Paul teaches that the grace of God does more than bring salvation. Grace teaches us to say no to ungodliness and worldly desires and to live lives that reflect God while we wait for Christ's return.

Grace Lesson: Teaching — Shaping grace teaches us what to reject and how to live.

Ponder: What is God's grace teaching me to say "no" to so that I can say "yes" to the life He is shaping me to live?

Friday, October 23

Passage: Galatians 2:20-21 NKJV, "I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." vs. 20

Grace Spotlight: Paul describes a life that is no longer centered on self but on Christ. Because Christ lives in him, Paul now lives each day by faith in the Son of God who loved him and gave Himself for him.

Grace Lesson: Trusting — Shaping grace teaches us to live by faith in Christ rather than depend on ourselves.

Ponder: What area of my life am I still trying to control instead of trusting Christ to live His life through me?

Saturday, October 24

Passage: 2 Peter 3:17-18 NKJV, "But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." vs. 18

Grace Spotlight: Peter closes his letter by encouraging believers to guard against being led away and to continue growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Grace Lesson: Thriving — Shaping grace keeps us growing in Christ rather than remaining where we are.

Ponder: Where can I see evidence that I am growing in grace, and where is God calling me to keep growing?

Sunday, October 25

Prayer/Praise: Join us on-site or @ www.newmtmoriahmbc.org or [Facebook Live](#) for Worship in Pink for Breast Cancer Awareness month. Also make plans to attend our Fall Festival from 4-7 p.m.

Week Four Emphasis: **Serving Grace**

Serving grace equips us to use what God has given us to serve others, allowing His grace to flow through our lives for His glory.

Monday, October 26

Passage: 1 Peter 4:10-11 NKJV, "As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God." vs. 10

Grace Spotlight: Peter reminds believers that whatever gift we have received is not just for us. God has entrusted each of us with gifts so that we can serve others as faithful stewards of His grace.

Grace Lesson: Gifts — Serving grace gives us something to use for the good of others.

Ponder: How am I using what God has given me to share His grace with someone else?

Tuesday, October 27

Passage: 1 Corinthians 15:9-11 NKJV, "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me." vs. 10

Grace Spotlight: Paul recognizes that he is who he is because of God's grace. Yet grace did not leave him inactive; it motivated him to work faithfully in the assignment God had given him.

Grace Lesson: Gratitude — Serving grace moves us to serve because of what God has done for us.

Ponder: Does the way I serve reflect my gratitude for the grace God has given me?

Wednesday, October 28

Passage: Romans 12:3-8 NKJV, "Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them" vs. 6

Grace Spotlight: Paul reminds believers that God has given each of us different gifts according to His grace. We are not called to compare our gifts with others, but to faithfully use what God has entrusted to us.

Grace Lesson: Gifting — Serving grace equips each of us differently so that we can serve faithfully.

Ponder: How can I more intentionally use the gifts God has given me to serve others?

Thursday, October 29

Passage: 2 Corinthians 8:1-7 NKJV, "Moreover, brethren, we make known to you the grace of God bestowed on the churches of Macedonia: that in a great trial of affliction the abundance of their joy and their deep poverty abounded in the riches of their liberality. " vs. 1-2

Grace Spotlight: Paul points to the churches of Macedonia as an example of what grace can produce. Even in deep difficulty and limited resources, God's grace moved them to give generously and willingly.

Grace Lesson: Generosity — Serving grace moves us to give beyond ourselves for the good of others.

Ponder: How is God's grace challenging me to become more generous with what He has given me?

Friday, October 30

Passage: Hebrews 12:28-29 NKJV, "Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear." vs. 28

Grace Spotlight: The writer of Hebrews reminds believers that because we have received an unshakable kingdom, we should receive grace and respond by serving God in a way that honors and pleases Him.

Grace Lesson: Grateful — Serving grace responds to what God has given us by faithfully serving Him.

Ponder: Does the way I serve God reflect how grateful I am for the grace I have received?

Saturday, October 31

Passage: 2 Corinthians 4:7-15 NKJV, "For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God." vs. 15

Grace Spotlight: Paul explains that as God's grace reaches more people, thanksgiving increases and God receives greater glory. Grace was never meant to stop with us; it should reach others through us.

Grace Lesson: Going — Serving grace reaches beyond us so that others experience God and He receives the glory.

Ponder: Who is experiencing God's grace because I am willing to let it flow through me?

Sunday, November 1

Prayer/Praise: Join us for worship on-site or @ www.newmtmoriahmbc.org or Facebook Live