



GROWING IN GRACE BENEFITS US



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- » **As individuals.**
- » **As families.**
- » **As a church.**
- » **In our carriers.**
- » **In our businesses.**
- » **In our professions.**
- » **In all our pursuits.**
- » **In all our endeavours.**
- » **In our relationships.**



Grace being - the power of God flowing to us free of charge to enable us to do what we could not do on our own no matter how much struggle we put into it.

⇒ In life we have:

1. Battles

2. Desires

3. Struggles

4. Temptations

5. Fights

6. Difficulties

- 7. Hurts**
- 8. Emotional challenges**
- 9. Relational issues**
- 10. Family feuds**
- 11. Financial lacks**
- 12. Spiritual questions**



**ALL THESE MAKE LIFE
IMBALANCE, SHAKEY,
UNSTABLE, CONFUSING
SOMETIMES, UNBEARABLE,
FULL OF QUESTIONS, FEEL
HEAVY, SOMETIMES MAKE
GOD APPEAR UNFAIR.**



**WE NEED THE GRACE OF
GOD!!!!!!**

- 1. Enabling power to succeed.**
- 2. Is God involved in our affairs.**
- 3. Supernatural power causing effect in our situations.**


THE IMPORTANCE OF GRACE

- 1. Serves as shock-absorbers in life.**
- 2. Provides strengths to fight on.**
- 3. Sustains life in totality.**

❖ **WHAT GRACE DOES???????**

- 1. It increases understanding.**
- 2. It increases knowledge.**
- 3. It increases Wisdom.**
- 4. It increases performance.**
- 5. It increases anointing.**
- 6. It increases level of victory.**

7. It increases level of peace.
8. It increases level of security.
9. It increases level of enjoyment of life.
10. It increases level of relations.

❖ Remember what Jesus said in
 **John 8:31-32.**

⇒ There is no overflow where
information is limited.

❖ HOW GROWING IN GRACE DOES THESE?????

💧 By teaching us what to say,

📖 Romans 12:3.

3 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

✓ Declare position.

🔥 **By awakening us to our gifting,**

📖 **Romans 12:6.**

**6 We have different gifts,
according to the grace given to
each of us. If your gift is
prophesying, then prophesy in
accordance with your faith;**

✓ **Divine abilities.**



By determining the quality of our conversation,



Colossians 4:6.

6 Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone.

✓ Good ingredients.

🔴 **By anointing our lips,**

📖 **Psalms 45:2.**

2 You are the most excellent of men and your lips have been anointed with grace, since God has blessed you forever.

✓ **Wide diction, choice words.**

🔥 **By serving as canopy,**

📖 **Acts 4:33.**

33 And with great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and abundant grace was upon them all.

✓ **Divine covering.**



By filling us up,



John 1:14, Acts 6:9.

14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



Acts 6:8

8 Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.

✓ Pregnant of life.



By saving us,



Acts 15:11

**11 No! We believe it is through
the grace of our Lord Jesus that
we are saved, just as they are.”**

✓ Rescuing power.

🔥 **By developing us,**

📖 **1 Corinthians 15:10.**

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

✓ **lifting us to higher achievement.**



By justifying us,



Romans 3:24.

**24 and all are justified freely by
his grace through the
redemption that came by Christ
Jesus.**

✓ Making us acceptable.



By accompanying us,



1 Corinthians 15:10, 16:23.

10 But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me.

VS 16:23

**23 The grace of the Lord Jesus
be with you.**

✓ Divine presence.



By helping us,



Hebrews 4:16.

16 Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

✓ Divine intervention.

Examples;

1. A woman with an issue of blood,

 **Mark 5:25-34.**

» **Health changed.**

2. A woman in the well,

 **John 4:1-24.**

» **Relationships changed**

3. A women caught in adultery,



John 8:1-9

» Dignity restored/changed.

**4. A woman by the name of
Hannah,**



1 Samuel 1:

» Marital recognition changed.

5. A woman by the name of Naomi,



Ruth

» Social status changed.