

Elements of Our Spiritual DNA- Our Product & What is Our Focus

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Monday:

God is not testing your faith so He can find out where you are. He's testing your faith so you can find out where you are in it.

The most important thing that I can say is learn to relate to God as Father. It needs to be experiential, not just conceptual.

A church that's built on relationships gets tested more. We are only in the same room because of the sovereignty of God. There's a chain of miracles happening in all of our lives for God to get us to this place, spiritually and geographically. *"God has determined our pre-appointed times in the boundaries of our dwelling"*.

One of the best things you can do in relationships is learn not to be offended. That takes a little bit of work.

Hear the word here, then go back over it at home. Study it. Listen to it. However you do that. One of the best things you can do is ask yourself, *"What do I need to do with that?"* The Holy Spirit will help you every step of the way.

We're having our 35 year celebration on Sunday, September 8th. We will have a big BBQ over around the bunkhouse. We will have the big bouncy houses for the kids. So, write it down on your calendar.

One of the definitions that people give for grace, *"God's unmerited, unearned favor"*. But we won't have the full understanding of grace until we are face to face with Him. But enjoy the trip along the way, because you're going to get lots and lots of grace.

Tuesday:

The more revelation you receive on grace, the harder it is to define, because it just keeps expanding and growing.

To even start to understand anything about grace, you have to experience it.

Paul was the greatest proponent in terms of talking about grace, and even he had a thorn in the flesh that God wouldn't take away. Rather, God gave him grace to go through it.

As a kingdom person, when you hit a rough patch in your life, only one of two things can happen. God will either fix it, or two, He will give you grace to go through it until He does fix it, or not.

The greatest manifestation of grace isn't the guy who prays to get healed and gets healed on the

spot. But it's a guy like Paul, who goes through that because he's seen a side and a depth and a dimension of the Father that he wouldn't have seen otherwise.

Paul strongly encouraged believers with disputes to settle these kinds of things amongst believers and amongst the spiritual family, if possible, rather than going to a court of unbelievers for settlement.

Wednesday:

We need to, here in the church, quit trying to be politically correct, but rather keep on being scriptural.

Please read 1 Corinthians 6: 1-11. This scripture will shed a lot of light on the rest of the message.

When you open the door of your heart and allow Jesus to come in, you just have to receive it. You didn't do anything to deserve it, so that unmerited favor thing really comes into play right there.

Under the New Covenant, Jesus shed his blood on time, and His blood broke the back of the stronghold that sin had over you. So, when you say YES to the Lord, God looks at you as washed, sanctified and justified already. That's grace. It's purification and forgiveness that we receive. When you say YES to the Lord, these three words already happened to you. What you need to do now is start to act like it.

If you will trust the Holy Spirit, then when you get the revelation that you've been washed and already cleaned up, you stand righteous and clean before God.

When I ask people if they are good with God, some say, "*well, I hope so. I just hope I'm making it to heaven*". I get so tired of hearing that.

You are made righteous because of what He did. You've been sanctified, cleansed, and washed by the sovereignty of God. How do you find that out? You going to Him is the only way you can find that out.

Thursday:

The reason God doesn't tell you all the little details of your life, but gives you these generalities, is so you'll go to Him to find out the details. He's designed it so you'll come to Him.

He who knew no sin took every sin on the cross of every person who would ever live in the context of time. All of your past, present and future sins have already been covered by what Jesus did. That's grace. That's what grace is. That's what grace does.

Justification is the act of God declaring a sinner to be righteous on the basis of faith in Jesus. That's all it takes.

What do I need to do to receive it? Nothing! You just receive it. I'm not talking about receiving it here (mind), I'm talking about receiving it here (heart). It'll start a transformation process for

you.

Grace is: Jesus did for us what we couldn't do for ourselves.

People think this is heresy when I say that you are not under the 10 commandments any longer. It doesn't mean you should go out and kill or commit adultery. It doesn't mean that but now the law keeper lives in you.

When you said "YES" to the Lord, your nature changed. All things become new. You are a new creation.

Jesus took on Himself not just our physical death, but our spiritual death and eternal separation from God. He took what we had coming and in turn, we got what He had given.

Friday:

These are things that we have in grace:

- **Forgiveness** *"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace". Ephesians 1:7*
- **Salvation** *"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God". Ephesians 2:8*
- **Liberty** *Stand fast in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage". Galatians 5:1. "For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself". Galatians 5:13-14.*
- **Steadfast** Paul told the Galatians to stand fast, brace up and don't get pushed around by these religious people.
- **Holy Spirit** A lot of work needs to happen in your life for us to be like Jesus, but He's long suffering. He's in for the long haul. He helps you along the way and His spirit is there all the time to help you be like Jesus. We just have to cooperate. *"But when the helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father. He will testify of Me". John 15:26.* He gives you His Spirit, to escort you into the perfect will of God.
- **Sonship** *"For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren". Romans 8:29.* God has hand picked you to be a son or daughter. That's who's going to do the heavy lifting in this season that we're in is mature sons

and daughters.

- **Life** *“Behold, children are the heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb is a reward”*. Psalm 127:3 He’s not just giving you life, but He’s giving you quality of life. The highest form of life. Eternal life.
- **Power to Rescue** *“Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all”*. Psalms 34:19.
- **Victory over the devil** *“Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall no means hurt you”*. Luke 10:19.
- **Destiny** *“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.* Jeremiah 19:11
- **Love** *“But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us”*. Romans 5:8. *“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in His should not perish but have everlasting life”*. John 3:16.
- **Supernatural Enablement** *“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”*. 2 Corinthians 12:9.

Saturday:

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law”. Galatians 5:22-23.

Judgment begins at the house of God. In this awakening thing that’s happening in the earth right now, God needs people who’ve been through the fire, who are not going to cut and run at the first sign of trouble.

God wants to use you in this time to cooperate with Him and enjoy the fruits of what He’s doing. And that is changing the world.

“If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land”. 2 Chronicles 7:14. We need to be really desperate because darkness, ugliness and demonic stuff is coming at us at warp speed.

The devil’s plan is to destroy the church and everybody who is a part of the church. So, the church has to stop standing around with their hands in their pockets, wondering which way they went. It’s time for the church to wake up. The awakening is here, worldwide, but the church is still kind of asleep.

You should be awake and ready for what’s happening by changing the world in your own little realm, your own little circle of influence. Not by being pushy or working to conversation around to Jesus, but when the opportunity presents itself, just step through and be obedient to the Lord.

It's not about what you know or how good you are at it. It's really whether you are available or not, for God to use you in that particular situation.