

## Daily Devotions: Grace

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> October                      Romans 5:1-11

*Questions:     According to Paul, what enables you to stand in God's presence with your head held high? What reasons do we have for rejoicing, even when times are tough? Which of the words in this passage do you find especially comforting or challenging? Read them again, slowly and aloud.*

Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October                      Genesis 12:1-3 and Galatians 3:6-14

What a gracious God we have! From the beginning, his deepest desire was to bless people who don't deserve it – around the world and through the centuries – starting with Abraham.

*Questions:     Which of God's gracious promises to Abraham are for you as well? Which of them have you already taken hold of, through Jesus?*

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October                  Exodus 19:3-6 and 1 Peter:9-12

In Exodus 19 God is on the threshold of giving his people the 10 commandments (and other laws). Notice that God did not say, "If you obey my commandments I will save you." Rather, "I have saved you. Now I'm telling you how to live."

*Questions:     How does God want us to live in response to his grace? How will this impact the lives of others?*

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October                      Jeremiah 34:31-34 and Luke 22:17-20

The word 'grace' doesn't appear in Jer 34:31-34. But the concept of grace is very strong here.

*Questions:     What good things are on offer in Jer 34:31-34, even though we don't deserve them? What price does God pay for his new covenant, according to Jesus?  
What value does God place on your life?*

## Daily Devotions: Grace continued

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

Ephesians 1:3-8, Ephesians 2:8-10 and Titus 2:11-14

Questions: How many "heavenly frequent flyer points" will you need to contribute, and how many does Jesus pay for?

According to Eph 2:10, what is the point of good works, if not for boasting about? Are you aware of any particular good works that God has prepared for you to do in the next 24 hours? What do you think you will need to say "No!" to today?

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October

Acts 20:22-24, Philippians 1:3-8

Questions: How does Paul define the 'gospel' in Acts 20:24?

What brought Paul the greatest joy as he prayed for the Philippians? Even if you are not a confident speaker, how can you be a gospel-partner (thus sharing more fully in God's grace)?

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Psalms 103, Ephesians 4:29-32

Questions: Use the words of Psalm 103 as you spend a few minutes praising God.

Reflecting again on Eph 4:29-32, who in particular needs more of your kindness, compassion and forgiveness?