

HOUSE OF GRACE

Part 2: Called by Grace

Text: Galatians 1:15 and 1 Peter 4:10

1. Definition of Character:

The inner life of a person that will precisely reflect either the traits of the lower (sin) nature being influenced by the world, or the traits of the higher (divine) nature, being influenced by the Word of God.

2. God wants to form His "Character" in us.

Romans 8:29 (NKJV)

For whom God foreknew he also predestined to be *conformed* to the *image* of His Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

Romans 12:2

Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be *transformed* by the renewing of your *mind*. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is--His good, pleasing and perfect will.

Galatians 4:19

My dear children, for whom I am again in the pains of childbirth until Christ is *formed* in you ...

2 Peter 1:4

Through these He has given us His very great and precious promises, so that through them you may *participate* in the *divine nature* and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

3. How does God form His character in us?

John 1:17 | Romans 10:4 | Romans 5:20 | 2 Timothy 1:9

What the **LAW** could only _____ under the Old Covenant,

GRACE now _____ in us under the New Covenant.

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4. Grace definitions:

Strong's: The divine influence upon the heart and its reflection in the life.
Other: An active force within us giving us the desire and the power to do things God's way.

A practical definition of grace: The God-given desire and ability to accomplish His will.

5. How does God's grace affect my life?

A. We are _____ by grace. (Ephesians 2:8,9; Titus 2:11)

B. We are given grace to _____ in time of _____.
(Hebrews 4:16; 2 Corinthians 9:8)

C. We are given supernatural _____, _____ and _____ through the grace of God. (Ephesians 3:7 and 4:7)

6. How can we receive more grace?

A. _____ ourselves! (James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5)

B. Learn to _____! (Acts 4:31-33; Hebrews 4:16)

C. Receive grace during _____ !
(Hebrews 4:16; 2 Corinthians 12:8,9)

7. What do I do with grace?