

WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO HAVE A GRACE ORIENTED CHURCH? Pt 5

***The Characteristics of a Grace Oriented Church should strive to include:**

1. The fact that grace is _____ and _____ from the pulpit on a _____ basis.
2. We saw that God's people are encouraged to _____ and in the knowledge of _____ as well. (1Peter 1:23-2:2; 2 Peter 3:18)
3. Grace not only saves us from the penalty of sin, but it should be the primary _____ for _____ Christian living. (Titus 2:11-13)
4. Under grace people are _____ just as they are, but as _____ is taught it motivates us to walk _____ the Lord and _____ Him in life (Ephesians 1:6; Matthew 11:28-29; 2 Corinthians 5:7-9)

*God's grace in Christ saves us and the accepts us just the way we are, but then God by His grace seeks to _____ into the _____ of Christ! (2 Corinthians 3:18; Titus 2:11-13)

*This is the _____ process.

• Such a church should accept _____ in culture, personality, opinions, giftedness, and questionable matters, and even personal preferences because God has _____ the person in his Son _____.

"Christian liberty involves the practice of _____ things. These include areas of personal _____ and _____ that are not clearly commanded or condemned in the Word of God."

*What Christians Liberty Is **Not**...

1. The revealed _____
2. Areas of doctrinal _____ (Romans 16:17-18)
3. Areas which are _____ (Romans 13:1-7)
4. Areas of clearly defined _____ (Romans 13:13-14)

- How does this kind of thinking affect the church today?

*On what basis does God receive sinners?

See the Scofield note on 14:3 for some principles to note