

SERIES: GENESIS
GOD'S PROVISION OF GRACE

Grace is receiving something you **don't deserve**

1. God's provision of grace is abundant

Genesis 1:11; Genesis 3:18-19; John 7:38-39; Ephesians 2:8-9

Genesis 2

4 This is the history of the heavens and the earth when they were created, in the day that the Lord God made the earth and the heavens, 5 before any plant of the field was in the earth and before any herb of the field had grown. For the Lord God had not caused it to rain on the earth and there was no man to till the ground;

6 but a mist went up from the earth and watered the whole face of the ground.

7 And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

8 The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed.

9 And out of the ground the Lord God made **every tree** grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food.

The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

10 Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads.

11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.

12 And the gold of that land is good. Bdelium and the onyx stone are there.

13 The name of the second river is Gihon; it is the one which goes around the whole land of Cush.

14 The name of the third river is Hiddekel; it is the one which goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river is the Euphrates.

2. God's provision of grace includes work

Luke 5:1-11

Genesis 2:15

Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do in word or deed [**work**], do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

3. God's provision of grace can only be received when a person trusts God at His Word

John 15:12-24

Genesis 2

16 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat;

17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

The tree of life was not obscure or hidden; it was easily accessible and bursting with life for the taking.

When the tree of the knowledge of good and evil is introduced it gives the knowledge of what is good, and that is to trust God. It also shows what is evil, and that is not believing God and ends in death.